WESTMINSTER.

4th November 1938.

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 Eighth day of this instant November, to be then here holden.
Message to attend His Majesty.

Elections.

JOURNALS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Session 1938–39.

The Thirty-seventh Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

[No. 1.]

Tuesday, 8th November 1938.

PRAYERS at Twelve of the clock.


Mr. Speaker,

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

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at Three of the clock.

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 any thing 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 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 and misdemeanor; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been 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 Metropolitan of the Metropolis do take care that during the Session of Parliament the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in Westminster Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the Sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioner aforesaid.
Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Gilbert Francis Montrion Campion, 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.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statistics relating to Crime, Criminal Proceedings, and Coroners’ Investigations for England and Wales, for 1937.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Councils of the under-mentioned local authorities, and amended and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

(1) Borough of Leigh;
(2) City of Leeds.

Copies of Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Councils of the under-mentioned local authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

(1) Borough of Chorley;
(2) Borough of Hartlepool;
(3) Borough of Ashton-under-Lyne;
(4) Borough of Leyton;
(5) County Borough of West Hartlepool;
(6) Borough of Barking;
(7) County Borough of East Ham;
(8) Borough of Boston;
(9) County Borough of Walsall;
(10) County Borough of West Ham;
(11) Borough of Darwen;
(12) Borough of Wemley;
(13) Urban District of Padley;
(14) Borough of Aylesbury;
(15) Urban District of Darlaston;
(16) Borough of Royal Leamington Spa;
(17) Borough of Ilford;
(18) County Borough of Stockport;
(19) County Palatine of Chester, for the urban district of Hoylake;
(20) County Palatine of Lancaster, for the urban districts of Litherland and Poulton-le-Fylde;

(21) County of the West Riding of Yorkshire, for the urban districts of Horbury and Baildon;
(22) County of London, for the Metropolitan Boroughs of Finsbury, Lambeth, and Southwark;
(23) County of Cumberland, for the rural district of Emmerdale.

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 29th July 1938, entitled the Aerated Water Manufacture (Overtime) Regulations, 1938;
(2) 29th July 1938, entitled the Laundries (Overtime) Regulations, 1938;
(3) 29th July 1938, entitled the Laundries, Manufacture of Bread, &c. (Hours and Intervals) Modification Regulations, 1938;
(4) 23rd September 1938, entitled the Florists (Overtime) Regulations, 1938;
(5) 10th October 1938, entitled the Factory (Individual Overtime) Regulations, 1938;
(6) 17th October 1938, entitled the Chocolates and Sugar Confectionery (Overtime) Regulations, 1938.

Copy of Draft Rules proposed to be made by Prisoners' Commissions for the purposes of the Secretary of State under the Prison Acts (England and Wales), for the urban districts of Hoylake, and the Secretary of State for Wales for the urban districts of Horbury and Poulton-le-Fylde, to amend the Prison Rules, dated 12th August 1933, for the government of prisons.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 18th Air-Raid Precautions Act, 1937.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 18th July 1938, entitled the Air-Raid Precautions Act, 1937.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 18th July 1938, entitled the Air-Raid Precautions Act, 1937.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Collection of Contributions) Regulations, 1938.

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 7th July 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Unclaimed Proceeds of Stamp Sales) Regulations, 1938;
(2) 27th July 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Dental Benefit) (Amendment) Regulations, 1938;
(3) 5th September 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Voluntary Contributors) Regulations, 1938;
(4) 29th July 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Juvenile Deposit Contributors) Regulations, 1938.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 6th National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations (No. 2), 1938.

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 8th July 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Collection of Contributions) Regulations, 1938;
(2) 30th August 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Merchantile Marine) (Collection of Contributions) Regulations, 1938.

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 25th July 1938, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Collection of Contributions for Persons over Sixty-five) Regulations, 1938;
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Copy of Special Order, made under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, in respect of certain parts of the county of Lanark.

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

Mr. Secretary Cobile presented, pursuant to Registration the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Registrar-General for Scotland, 1937. Acts.

Copy of Order, dated 22nd September 1938, Milk and entitled the Milk (Special Designations) Amendment Order (No. 2) (Scotland), 1938.


(1) the Air - Raid General Precautions Schemes (Stirlingshire and Clackmannan-shire) Order, 1938;

(2) the Air-Raid Fire Precautions Schemes (Stirlingshire and Clackmannan-shire) Order, 1938.


Copy of Order, dated 13th September 1938, Agricultural entitled the Scottish Milk Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1938.

Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 197 Universities (Aberdeen, No. 37) (Fee for Matriculation). Acts.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts Shops Acts, by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for Scotland:-

Burgh of Port Glasgow.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Merchanise directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Marks Act, 1926.

Copy of Draft Order in Council entitled the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 5 Order, 1938, relating to Watch Straps, &c.

Copies of Rules, dated 20th July 1938, Patents and Designs Acts.

(1) the Patents (Amendment) Rules, 1938;

(2) the Designs (Amendment) Rules, 1938.

Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed Gas to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts, Undertakings on the application of the—

(1) Ashby - de - la - Zouch Gas Company, Limited;

(2) Dartmouth Gas Coke and Coal Company, Limited.

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


Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 12th August 1938, entitled the Trade Boards (Perambulator and Invalid Carriage Trade, Great Britain) (Constitution and Proceedings) Regulations, 1938;
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(2) 15th September 1938, entitled the Trade Boards (Dressmaking and Women’s Light Clothing Trade, Scotland) (Constitution and Proceedings) (Amendment) Regulations, 1938;

(3) 6th October 1938, entitled the Baking Trade Board (England and Wales) (District Trade Committee: Constitution and Proceedings) Regulations, 1938;

(4) 18th October 1938, entitled the Trade Boards (Notices) Regulations, 1938.

Holidays with Pay Act, 1938.

Copy of Regulations, dated 17th October 1938, entitled the Holidays with Pay (Adaptation of Enactments) (Trade Boards and Road Haulage) Regulations, 1938.

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

East India (Constitutional Reforms.)

Governor of Burma Act, 1935


Government of India Act, 1935

Copy of Order, entitled the Government of Burma Act, 1935 or the Rangoon (Emergency) Security Act, 1938, enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Burma under the powers conferred upon him by Section 43 of the Government of Burma Act, 1935.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Government of Burma, 1935, be printed.

Palestine.

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of Amendment of the Council of State Electoral Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, under Sections 64 and 129A of the Ninth Schedule to the Government of India Act, 1935.

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

Post Office (Execution of Documents.)

Major Tryon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Warrant dated 2nd August 1938, entitled the Post Office (Execution of Documents) Warrant, 1938.

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

Army (Territorial Army.)

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council and the Air Council for the establishment and constitution of an Association for the County of Chester, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921, and the Auxiliary Air Force and Air Force Reserve Act, 1924.

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

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the Air directions of several Acts of Parliament,—NAVIGATION ACTS.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 25th July 1938, entitled—

(1) the Air Navigation (Aden) Order, 1938;


Copies of Statutes made—

(1) by the Governing Body of Balliol College, Oxford, on 13th May 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;

(2) by the Governing Body of Christ’s College, Cambridge, on 24th May 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;

(3) by the University of Cambridge, on 30th May 1938, amending existing Statutes of the University;

(4) by the University of Oxford, on 31st May 1938, amending an existing Statute of the University;

(5) the Governing Body of All Souls College, Oxford, on 1st June 1938, amending existing Statutes of the College.

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

Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant to the direction of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 27th July 1938, entitled the White Fish Industry (Registration Fees) (Provisional) Order, 1938.

Copies of Orders, dated—

(1) 27th July 1938, entitled the Wheat Commission (Approval of Byelaws) No. 12 Order, 1938;

(2) 8th August 1938, entitled the Wheat (Anticipated Supply) No. 2 Order, 1938;

(3) 8th August 1938, entitled the Wheat (Quota Payments) No. 4 Order, 1938;

(4) 10th August 1938, entitled the Wheat (Ascertained Average Price) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Ramsbotham presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 15th September 1938, and for effecting certain alterations of boundaries affecting the parishes of the said Benefice of Birmingham, Saint Bartholomew, and the Benefice of the said Benefice of Birmingham, Saint Gabriel, Birmingham, Saint Philip, and Birmingham,
Saint Martin, all of which Benefices are situate in the county of Warwick and in the Diocese of Birmingham;

(2) for effecting the union of the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Exeter, Saint Olave, and the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Exeter, All Hallows on the Wall, both of which Benefices are situate in the county of Devon and in the Diocese of Exeter.

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, and My Government will do all in their power to promote the development of good understanding in the spirit of the joint Anglo-German declaration made at Munich on the 30th September last.

The agreement negotiated last April between My Government and the Italian Government will now shortly be brought into force. I believe that this action will confirm the traditional good relations, so happily and so strongly subsisting between our two countries, and thus further the cause of European peace.

I have invited the King of Roumania to visit Me in the spring of next year and I feel assured that this visit will cause great satisfaction to all My people.

I have also invited the President of the French Republic to visit Me in the spring of next year and I feel assured that this visit will cause great satisfaction to all My people.

The Queen and I are anticipating with the keenest pleasure the visit which We are hoping to pay to My Dominion of Canada next summer.

I have been happy to accept an invitation extended to The Queen and Myself by the President to visit the United States of America before the conclusion of My Canadian tour. I warmly welcome this practical expression of the good feeling that prevails between our countries.

My Ministers deeply regret the continuance of the hostilities in Spain. While adhering to the policy of non-intervention, they will lend their assistance in any way possible towards the restoration of peace in that country.

My Government will be ready at any time, if desired by the parties to the dispute in the Far East, to aid in reaching a settlement which will ensure lasting peace in that region. Meanwhile, My Ministers will do all in their power to safeguard British interests in the areas affected.

My Ministers will shortly lay before you the Report of the Palestine Commission and will make a statement of future policy.

Members of the House of Commons,

My Ministers have already arranged for an advance of £10,000,000 to be placed at the disposal of the Czechoslovak Government to meet urgent requirements, and legislation will be laid before you dealing with financial assistance to that Government.

The Estimates for the Public Services will be laid before you.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

Although the equipment and expansion of My Defence Forces are now making rapid progress, the emergency through which we have passed has shown that certain deficiencies in our military and civil defence preparations remain to be remedied. My Ministers have reviewed these matters in the light of the experience gained, and will in due course take steps to accelerate and supplement the measures already in hand.

The problems of civil defence, including that of the effective utilisation of the resources for national voluntary service, will in future receive the undivided attention of a Minister, the Lord Privy Seal.

The active furtherance of peace in Europe, which is the constant aim of My Government, will, I trust, lead to a wider spirit of confidence and supply a fresh impulse for expansion in trade, industry, and employment. My Ministers will persist in their efforts to establish favourable conditions for the development of overseas markets.

My Government will press forward with better housing, both urban and rural, and will proceed with the development of the educational services. They will vigorously continue the campaign for the improvement of the public health, and, in particular, will submit to you proposals for the earlier and more effective treatment of cancer.

The policy of My Government will continue to be directed to improving conditions in the Special Areas.

A Bill will be laid before you to amend the penal law dealing, in particular, with young offenders and those who commit repeated offences.

My Ministers recognise the important place which home agriculture must occupy in the national economy and defence. They will continue to promote by an active and constructive policy the economic development of the industry and the improvement of the conditions of those engaged in it. Measures will be laid before you to assist the production, supply a fresh impulse for expansion in trade, and improve the quality and increase the consumption of milk, to assist the poultry industry, and to effect certain amendments in the Wheat Act, 1932, including further reviews of the standard price of wheat.

The difficulties of the cotton industry are engaging the attention of My Ministers and proposals, which would require legislation, are before them. Among the Measures which you will be invited to pass will be Bills to prevent fraud in relation to investments; to amend the law relating to the carrying on of the business of insurance; to amend the Unemployment Insurance Acts; and to raise the amount of the Miners' Welfare Levy, in order to provide additional funds for the building of pithead baths.

A Bill will be submitted to you for the purpose of re-organising Scottish administration, and centralising the Government Departments in Edinburgh. Further action will be taken to deal with slums and overcrowding in Scotland, and a Measure relating to the financial provision for this purpose will be submitted to you. You will also be invited to consider other Scottish Measures, including a Bill for the amendment of the marriage law.

Other legislative proposals will be laid before you and proceeded with as time and opportunity offer.
I pray that, under the blessing of Almighty God, the outcome of your deliberations may advance the happiness and well-being of My people and the peace of the world.

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 Northern 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. Holy-Hutchinson) —And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

—(Mr. Paling.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—

(Captain Margesson.)

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

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[No. 2.]

Wednesday, 9th November 1938.

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 and new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Lewisham (West Division), in the room of Sir Philip Dawson, deceased.—

(Captain Margesson.)

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the undermentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.—

Borough of South Norwood.

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 24th June 1938, entitled the Factories (Intervals for Women and Young Persons) Regulations, 1938;

(2) 30th June 1938, entitled the Factory Overtime (Separation of Different Parts or Sets) Regulations, 1938;

(3) 30th June 1938, entitled the Operations at Unfenced Machinery Regulations, 1938;

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(4) 5th July 1938, entitled the Protection of Eyes Regulations, 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 30th August 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Rutherford Burgh Boundaries) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the International Tin Control Scheme.

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

Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, Mr. Secretary Coleville, Mr. Attorney-General, the Lord Advocate, and Mr. Cross, presented a Bill to provide for regulating the business of dealing in securities; to restrict the registration of societies under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1908, and confer on the registrar of building societies further powers in relation to such societies; to make general provision for preventing fraud in connection with dealings in investments; and to provide for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Coleville, supported by the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland, and Mr. Scrymgeour Wedderburn, presented a Bill to amend the law in Scotland with respect to the making of contributions out of the Exchequer and by local authorities in respect of housing accommodation provided for the working classes, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Jennie Laurel Adamson, Member for the New Member County of Kent (Dartford Division), was sworn, sworn.

Ordered, That no Bills, other than Government Bills, be introduced in anticipation of the Ballot, and that all Members who desire to ballot for Bills do hand in their names at the Table during the Sitting of the House on Tuesday 8th November or on Wednesday 9th November; and that a copy of the Notice of such Bill be handed in at the latest during the Sitting of the House on Thursday 10th November.

Ordered, That the Ballot for the precedence of the said Bills be taken on Thursday 10th November at a convenient time and place, to be appointed by Mr. Speaker, and that the presentation of Bills on Friday 11th November be taken at the commencement of Public Business.—(The Prime Minister.)
Ordered, That all Members who desire to ballot for Motions for Wednesdays 16th and 23rd November do hand in their names at the Table during the Sitting of the House on Thursday 10th November, and that the Ballot for precedence of such Motions be taken after Questions at that day’s Sitting.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That no Notices of Amendments on going into Committee of Supply be given until the first Thursday after the Adjournment of the House for Christmas.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House do meet on Friday at Twelve of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That Colonel Clifton Brown be the Deputy Chairman.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant November, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern 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.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

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

Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—1932.

Copies of Orders, dated 11th October 1938, entitled—

(1) the Wheat (Anticipated Supply) No. 3 Order, 1938;
(2) the Wheat (Quota Payments) No. 5 Order, 1938.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee on Expanding Laws in Session 1936, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Register of Temporary Laws for the Third Session, Thirty-seventh Parliament, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

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

Copy of Rules, dated 29th July 1938, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (No. 1) 1938.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Temporary Laws be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return of all the Draft Provisional Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, which, in the Session of 1937-38, have been reported on by Commissioners; together with the names of the Commissioners; the first and also the last day of the sittings of each group; the number of days on which each body of Commissioners sat; the number of days on which each Commissioner has served; the number of days occupied by each Draft Provisional Order before Commissioners; the Draft Provisional Orders the Preambles of which were reported to have been proved; and the Draft Provisional Orders the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved.

And also a Statement showing how all Draft Provisional Orders of the Session of 1937-38 have been dealt with.—(Mr. Secretary Colville.)

Mr. Secretary Colville, supported by the Reorganisation Bill, 4.

Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland, and Mr. Sir Charles Edwards, presented a Bill to provide for the transference of the functions of Scottish government departments to the Secretary of State, to make provision for the reorganisation of the General Board of Control for Scotland, and for purposes connected with the aforesaid matters: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, supported by Criminal Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Justice Bill. Colville, Mr. Elliot, Earl Winterton, Mr. Attorney-General, the Lord Advocate, and Mr. Lloyd, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to the probation of offenders, the supervision of persons by probation officers and the functions of probation officers; to provide new methods and to reform existing methods of dealing with
offenders and persons liable to imprisonment; to amend the law relating to the management of prisons and other institutions and the treatment of offenders after sentence and of persons committed to custody; to consolidate certain enactments relating to the matters aforesaid; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant November, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern 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 for purposes connected therewith:—

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

(Sir Charles Edwards.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

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

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

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

The Committee was accordingly nominated of,—The Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Denman, Sir John Gilmour, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Lambert, Sir Hugh O'Neill, and Sir Archibald Sinclair.

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

Ordered, That Five be the quorum of the Committee.—(Captain Hope.)

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

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.

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with the adoption of children; to amend section two of the Adoption of Children Act, 1928; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of December next; and to be printed.

Charitable Collections Bill.

Mr. Craven-Ellis, supported by Mr. Bosom, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Salt, Sir Louis Smith, Sir Jonathan Walk-Smith, Mr. Charles Taylor. Lieutenant-Commander Tufnell, Sir Richard Wells, Mr. Trevor, Mr. Maudley, presented a Bill to provide for the regulation of certain collections for charitable purposes; and for matters connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of February next; and to be printed.

Marriage Bill.

Mr. Anstruther-Gray, supported by Sir EDMUND BROCKTEEBANK, Mr. Westwood, Sir Henry Morris-Jones, Mr. WILFRID ROBERTS, Mr. ERSKINE HILL, Mr. MCCORQUODALE, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Tomy KERR, Mr. Ellis Smith, and Major NEVEN-SPENCE, presented a Bill to facilitate marriages in cases where one party resides in Scotland and the other in England: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of February next; and to be printed.

Mining Subsidence Bill.

Mr. Tomlinson, supported by Mr. Arthur HENDERSON, Mr. Ellis Smith, Mr. Wedgwood, Mr. TUFNEILL, Mr. Watson, Mr. Batey, Mr. GRENSELL, Mr. Gordon MACDONALD, Mr. Leslie, and Mr. Tom SMITH, presented a Bill to provide for the payment of compensation for damage caused by mining subsidence: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 17th day of February next; and to be printed.

Shops Bill.

Mr. Leslie, supported by Mr. ETHEL Davies, Mr. Jagger, Mr. Robert TAYLOR, Mr. Sexton, Mrs. HARDIE, Mr. Burke, Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Leach, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Woods, and Mr. Ridley, presented a Bill to amend the Shops Acts, 1912 to 1938, to make certain provision with respect to the laying and main-
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Mr. Gordon Macdonald, supported by Mr. Tinker, Mr. Cape, Mr. Duggar, Mr. Duncan Graham, Mr. Robert Taylor, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Lee, and Mr. Batey, presented a Bill to repeal the law amending temporarily the Coal Mines Acts, 1887 to 1919, with respect to the hours of employment below ground: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 25th day of March next; and to be printed.

Lieutenant-Commander Fletcher, supported by Mr. Foot, Mr. Davidson, and Mr. Pratt, presented a Bill to amend section six of the Official Secrets Act, 1920: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant November; and to be printed.

Major Rayner presented a Bill to provide for the registration of clubs; and for matters connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 25th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Harvey, supported by Mr. Leslie Boyle, Sir Patrick Hannon, Sir Percy Harris, Mr. Alan Herbert, Mr. Holdsworth, Miss Batkbone, Mr. Ricketts, Sir Arthur Salter, Dr. Soller, Sir William Wayland, and Mr. Wilson, presented a Bill to make a provision for the introduction of proportional representation in local elections; and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 2nd day of December next; and to be printed.

Mr. Herbert Williams, supported by Mr. Sprins, Mr. Petherick, Mr. Erskine Hill, Major Lloyd George, Mr. Alan Herbert, Mr. Mabane, and Mr. McLaren, presented a Bill to make provision for the preservation of the amenities of certain highways by the prohibition or restriction of traffic thereon: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of February next; and to be printed.

Mr. Holmes, supported by Viscount Esmey, Sir George Courthope, Major Braithwaite, Captain Peter Macdonald, Mr. Ede, Mr. Roland Robinson, Mr. Rowlands, Mr. Lofthus, Mr. Ross Taylor, Mr. Owen Evans, and Mr. Hadam, presented a Bill to make further and better provision for the protection of the coast of the United Kingdom against erosion; and for other purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 25th day of this instant November; and to be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then sixteen minutes after Twelve of the clock, to Monday next.

Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill.

Bill 28.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry Provisional Order of the Minister of Health, relating to the Mid-Staffordshire Joint Hospital District.

The House was moved, That the Standing Order of the 26th day of July last, relating to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Mid-Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill suspended in the last Session of Parliament, might be read; and the same being read; The Bill was read the first and second time; and ordered to be read the third time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Warwick.

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

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, —Return to Private Address to His Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant November, for a Return relative to Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936. Act, 1936.

Mr. Secretary Coleville also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Pay Act, 1938.

—Copies of Regulations, dated 10th November 1938, entitled—

(1) the Holidays with Pay (Agricultural Workers, Scotland) (Adaptation of Enactments) Regulations, 1938;

(2) the Holidays with Pay (Agricultural Workers Scotland) (Proceedings and Notices) Regulations, 1938.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Health Insurance Regulations, dated 10th October 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Additional Benefits) Amendment Regulations, 1938.

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

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Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 21st October 1938, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment No. 2) Provisional Regulations, 1938.

Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 4th November 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Parking Places) (Amendment) No. 10 Regulations, 1938;
(2) 9th November 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 54) (Hampton Court Way) Regulations, 1938.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Fifty-fifth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade on Bankruptcy, for 1937.

Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts on the application of the Sunderland Gas Company.

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

Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 24th October 1938, entitled—
(1) the Holidays with Pay (Agricultural Workers, England and Wales) (Adaptation of Enactments) Regulations, 1938;
(2) the Holidays with Pay (Agricultural Workers, England and Wales) (Proceedings and Notices) Regulations, 1938.

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

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Reports of His Majesty’s Inspectors of Mines under the Coal Mines Act, 1911, the Quaries Act, 1894, and the Metalliciferous Mines Regulation Acts, 1872 and 1875, for 1937.

Copy of Draft of Order entitled the Cumberland District (Coal Mines) Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Shakespeare presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of the further Numbers required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1939.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant November, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

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

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

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

"But regret the absence of any reference to the serious problem of unemployment as represented by nearly two million men and women who cannot find work, and the failure of Your Majesty’s advisers to recognise that the real strength and prosperity of the people depend upon the full use of the resources of the Country, human and material, and upon an equitable distribution of wealth, thus ensuring the maintenance and improvement of the standard of life for active and retired workers and the development of the social services."—[Mr. Pethick-Lawrence.]

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

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

(Sir Charles Edwards.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reorganisation of Offices of Fifty-fifth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade on Bankruptcy, for 1937.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Justice Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) 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 Reorganisation of Offices of Fifty-fifth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade on Bankruptcy, for 1937.

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

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

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4):—

I hereby nominate:—

Sir Charles Malcolm Barclay-Harvey,
Sir Charles Cowper Barrie, K.B.E.,
Major Sir Cyril Fullard Entwisle, K.C., M.C.,
Major Gwilym Lloyd George,
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Charles Glen MacAndrew,
Gordon Macdonald, Esquire,
Major James Milner, O.C.,
Major the Right Honourable Sir (Robert
William) Hugh O'Neill, Baronet,
Colonel Sir Albert Lambert Ward,
Baronet, C.V.O., D.S.O., and
Sir Robert Young, O.B.E.,
to be the Chairmen's Panel during this Session.

E. A. Frixroy,
Speaker.
14th November 1938.

[No. 6.]
Tuesday, 15th November 1938.
The House met at a quarter of an hour
before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Ministry of Health Provisional Order
(Mid-Staffordshire Joint Hospital District)
Bill was, according to Order, read the third
time and passed.

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant
to the directions of an Act of Parliament,
Copy of Scheme, entitled the River Kelvin
Drainage Scheme.

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

Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant
to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copy of Scheme, entitled the River Kelvin
Drainage Scheme.

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

Mr. Turton, supported by Viscountess Astor,
Mr. Mathers, Mr. Amery, Mr. Harvey, Mr.
Hopkins, Sir Henry Morris-Jones, Sir Francis
Fremantle, and Sir Stanley Reed, presented a Bill
to amend the laws relating to order and decency
in public places: And the same was ordered to
be read a second time upon Friday the 16th
day of December next; and to be printed.

Mr. James Stuart:
Mr. Adamson:

151.

341.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon
Thursday next.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention
Second Reading of the Prevention of Fraud
(Investments) 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 Housing (Financial
Provisions) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — Adjournment.
(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till thirteen minutes after
Eleven of the clock, adjourned till
to-morrow.

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Wednesday, 16th November 1938.

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

P R A Y E R S.

COLONEL Muirhead presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments of the Indian Legislative Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, under Sections 67 (1) and 129a of the Ninth Schedule to the Government of India Act, 1935.

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

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Ninth Annual Reports of the National Radium Trust and Radium Commission, 1937-38, including a Statistical Report.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the amount of Notes issued by the Bank of England more than 40 years, and outstanding on 26th October 1938, which have been written off.

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

Mr. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order in Council declaring that registration of title to land is to be compulsory on sale in the county borough of Croydon.

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

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom and the United States of America. [With Schedules and Notes exchanged.] Washington, 17th November 1938. [The Agreement has not been ratified by His Majesty.]

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by—

(1) the Southwark Borough Council;
(2) the Deptford Borough Council;
(3) the Lambeth Borough Council.

Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the East Ham Planning Scheme No. 1.

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

Sir Philip Sassoon presented, pursuant to the Parks directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulation Draft Regulations made under the Parks Regulation Acts relating to Richmond Park.

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

Captain Wallace presented a Bill to continue Expiring certain expiring laws: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. William Morrison, supported by Mr. Milk Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Coleville, Mr. Elliot, Mr. Stanley, and Mr. Ramsbotham, presented a Bill to make provision for the better organisation of the Milk Industry and industries connected therewith, for making certain payments out of the Exchequer for the benefit of the Milk Industry, and for regulating the importation of milk and certain other products; to amend the law relating to the sale of milk and cream and the use of special designations in relation to milk; to amend and extend section twenty of the Agriculture Act, 1937; 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.

Resolved, That this House views with concern Road the continued high rate of road accidents in accidents. spite of existing measures, and therefore calls for more effective action for the public safety.—(Mr. Watkins.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Death proposed, That this House would welcome the continued high rate of road accidents in Accidents. Penalty, legislation by which the death penalty should be abolished in time of peace for an experimental period of five years.—(Mr. Vyvyan Adams); The Clerk at the Table informed the House Mr. Speaker’s of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from the remainder of this day’s Sitting.

Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman of Ways and Means, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the 
Mr. Vyvyan Adams, 
Yea;
Mr. Barr ; 
114.

Tellers for the 
Mr. Maxwell Fyfe, 
Noes; 
Major Fraser ;
89.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — Adjournment. (Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made of the Question, by adding, at the end of Supply, the words "But regret that, although deficiencies both in military and civil defences are admitted by Your Majesty's Ministers as well as serious delay in the execution of the programme of re-armament stated to be necessary by the service departments for national safety, no mention is made in the Gracious Speech of the creation of a Ministry of Supply, both to secure efficiency and prevent waste and profiteering."—(Sir Hugh Seely.)

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, 

Sir Percy Harris, 

Sir Hugh Seely : 

Tellers for the Noes, 

Captain Margesson, 

Mr. Farness : 

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 Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

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

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

(Captain Margesson.)

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

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, Ways and Means, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Captain Margesson.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Justice Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of,—Sir Ernest Bennett, Sir Reginald Blair, Miss Cazalet, Sir James Edmondson, Sir Henry Fildes, Sir Nicholas Grattan-Doyle, Mr. Ivor Guest, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Liddall, Sir Thomas Moore, Mr. Robert Morrison, Mr. Muff, Sir Assheton Pownall, Sir Hugh Sely, Mr. Bracewell Smith, Sir 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.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Sir Irving Albery, Mr. Benson, Sir Edmund Brocklebank, Mr. Culverwell, Sir Haydn Jones, Mr. Morgan Jones, Mr. Latham, Mr. Mabane, Mr. Peat, Mr. Pettick-Lawrence, Sir Assheton Pownall, Sir Hugh Sely, Mr. Bracewell Smith, Sir Lambert Ward, and Miss Wilkinson.

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

[No. 9.]
Friday, 18th November 1938.
The House met at Eleven of the Clock.

PRAYERS.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes made—
(1) by the Governing Body of Pembroke College, Cambridge, on 24th May 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;
(2) by the Governing Body of Clare College, Cambridge, on 27th May 1938, amending existing Statutes of the College.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 30th March 1938, making and altering Rules of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by Shops Acts, the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Borough of Wiltshire.

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

Mr. Burgess presented, pursuant to the Road Traffic (Scotland) Bill, and the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under Section 1 (4) of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1938, on a representation by the London and North Eastern Railway Company:

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd March 1938, entitled the Local Government, Public Health, and the Administration of Statutes of the College, dated 23rd March 1938. An Amendment was put, That the words "in view of the decision of the Government to advise His Majesty to appoint a Royal Commission on Workmen’s Compensation for the purpose of making a comprehensive inquiry into the whole subject, this House declines, pending the Report of the Commission, to give a Second Reading to a Bill which involves fundamental and far-reaching alterations in the existing system,"—(Mr. Levy),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Robert Taylor, Mr. Ridley.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Levy.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

And it being after Four of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

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

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

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then five minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 10.]

Monday, 21st November 1938.

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

P R A Y E R S.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That His Majesty, having been attended with their Address on Thursday, the 17th day of this instant November, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

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

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Peterhouse, Cambridge, on 6th June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College.

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

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st June 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Scotland), 1938.

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

Copies of Orders, dated 5th November 1938, entitled—

(1) the National Health Insurance (Clydebank Burgh Boundaries) Order, 1938;

(2) the National Health Insurance (Hamilton Burgh Boundaries) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Cotton Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 29th January 1938 and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (1928), as amended by subsequent Orders.

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

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Army Council, with the consent of the Treasury, regarding the prices to be paid for billeting in emergency under the Army Act.

Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of an Association for the County of West Lothian, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921.

Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council and the Air Council for the establishment and constitution of an Association for the County of Essex, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921, and the Auxiliary Air Force and Air Force Reserve Act, 1924.

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

Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant to Wheat Act, 1932, to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, 1932.

Copies of Orders, dated 8th November 1938, entitled—

(1) the Wheat (Quota Payments), No. 6, Order, 1938;

(2) the Wheat (Anticipated Supply), No. 4, Order, 1938.

Copy of Order, dated 11th July 1938, entitled the Cattle Subsidy (Marking of Imported Cattle) (Amendment) Order, 1938.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th June 1938, entitled the Cattle Subsidy Regulations, 1938.

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

Sir George Ernest Schuster, K.G.S.T., K.C.M.G., New C.B.E., M.C., Member for the Borough of Walsall, Members was sworn.

John Morgan, Esquire, Member for the County of York (West Riding) (Doncaster Division), was sworn.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That an Address be presented to His Majesty the Queen of Norway, to express the deep concern of this House at the loss which His Majesty has sustained by the death of Her Majesty the Queen of Norway; to condole with His Majesty on this melancholy occasion; and to pray His Majesty that he will be graciously pleased to express to His Majesty the King of Norway, the profound sympathy of this House with His Majesty and the Government and People of Norway.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty’s Household.
The Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Prevention of Fraud (Investments) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide (among other things) for regulating the business of dealing in securities, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the Board of Trade (including the payment of such remuneration to the members of any tribunal constituted under the said Act to discharge functions in connection with the granting and revocation of licences, and such expenses of the said tribunal, as may be approved by the Treasury), and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of all fees received by the Board of Trade by virtue of the said Act.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House notes with profound concern the deplorable treatment suffered by certain racial, religious, and political minorities in Europe, and, in view of the growing gravity of the refugee problem, would welcome an immediate concerted effort amongst the nations, including the United States of America, to secure a common policy. —(Mr. Noel-Baker.)

Resolved, That the Clearing Office (Roumania) Amendment No. 2 Order, 1938, dated the ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, made by the Treasury under the Debts Clearing Offices and Import Restrictions Act, 1934, a copy of which was presented to this House on the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, be approved. —(Mr. Robert Hudson.)

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 Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

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

The Committee was nominated of,—Colonel Acland-Troyte, Mr. Batey, Sir Edward Campbell, Mr. Cary, Sir Charles Cayzer, Mr. Chater, Mr. Daggar, Mr. Clement Davies, Captain Alan Graham, Sir Percy Hurd, Brigadier-General Sir Ernest Makins, Mr. Wilfrid Roberts, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Annesley Somerville, and Mr. Viant.

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

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

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.
Tuesday, 22nd November 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the undermentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Conway.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order in Council, entitled the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 6 Order, 1938, relating to Solid-headed Pins of Brass, Iron, or Steel.

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

Mr. Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on the 25th June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the House.

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 16th November 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 56) (Sevenoaks) Regulations, 1938;

(2) 16th November 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 57) (Clarence Street, Richmond) Regulations, 1938;

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Mr. Arthur Henderson accordingly presented a Bill to safeguard the title of Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia, to property within the jurisdiction of the courts of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill:

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words this House, while welcoming any subsidy re-arrangements which may have the effect of encouraging local authorities in the building of houses for the working classes in Scotland, regrets that no provision is made for grants in aid to local authorities who find it desirable to purchase and reconstruct suitable house property in cases approved by the Department of Health, and further regrets that no grants in aid are provided for improving water supplies and drainage, without which any comprehensive drive for better housing in many areas in Scotland is virtually impossible,"—(Mr. Johnston), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

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

Tellers for the 
Mr. James Stuart, 
Captain Arthur Hope ;

Tellers for the 
Mr. John, 
Mr. Mathers ;

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

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Thursday next.—(Captain Margesson.)

Mr. Ernest Brown, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Expiring Laws Continuance [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then, the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 68, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to continue certain expiring laws, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such expenses, and the payment into the Exchequer of such receipts, as may be occasioned by the continuance of the Debts Clearing Offices and Import Restrictions Act, 1934, until the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and by the continuance of the Special Areas (Amendment) Act, 1937, until the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty, being expenses or receipts which, under or by virtue of either of the two last mentioned Acts, are to be defrayed out of such moneys or paid into the Exchequer.—(Captain Wallace.)

Wednesday, 23rd November 1938:

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Resolved, That this House approves the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1934, made in pursuance of the proviso to Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, a copy of which was presented to this House on the eighth day of November.—(Colonel Llewellin.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply.

Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 receiving the Report from the Committee on Prevention of Fraud (Investments) [Money];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill;

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

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

Cambridge of Oxford and Universities EARL Winterton presented, pursuant to the Reserve.


Miscellaneous, Nations Pensions.

No. 9, 1938.) (Miscellaneous, Nations Pensions.

Downing College, Cambridge, on the 7th June 1938, (Mr. Davidson); 220. VI.

Parliament, Copy of Order, dated 5th October

the Table.

Air Force Reserve.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Governing Body of Downing College, Cambridge, on the 7th June 1938, amending existing Statutes of the College.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the undermentioned local authority, and amended and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department —

Borough of Conway.

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 24th June 1938, entitled the Night Work of Male Young Persons (Medical Examinations) Regulations, 1938;

(2) 24th June 1938, entitled the Sanitary Accommodation Regulations, 1938;

(3) 24th June 1938, entitled the Factories Act (Docks, Eeks, Building and Engineering Construction, &c.) Modification Regulations, 1938.

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

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Contumay—Copy of Protocol for the Amendment of the Preamble of Articles 1, 4, and 5, and of the Annex to the Covenant of the League of Nations. Geneva, 30th September 1938. [The Protocol has not been ratified by His Majesty.]

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, as the present scale of pensions is inadequate to provide a reasonable standard of life for the recipients and, moreover, does not encourage the retirement of elderly workers, and as there are anomalies in the present law which call for redress, this House is of opinion that the necessary reforms should be introduced without delay—[Mr. Davidson];

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An Amendment was proposed, to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House recognising the great value of the existing pension schemes to the social welfare of the nation, would welcome their further extension as and when practicable on a sound financial basis; but is of opinion that at a time when the prime necessity of strengthening the country's defences is placing a severe strain on the national finances, such extension would, besides placing a heavy direct burden both on industry and those employed in industry, involve such additional demands on the national Exchequer as would imperil that financial stability upon which depends the well-being of industry and employment and the maintenance of all the existing social services,"—[Captain Conant],—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

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

Tellers for the [Mr. Davidson, Yeas, Mr. Ellis Smith: ] 154.

Tellers for the [Captain Conant, Noses, Mrs. Tate: ] 187.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the [Captain Conant, Yeas, Mrs. Tate: ] 169.

Tellers for the [Mr. Davidson, Noses, Mr. Ellis Smith: ] 149.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House, recognising the great value of the existing pension schemes to the social welfare of the nation, would welcome their further extension as and when practicable on a sound financial basis; but is of opinion that at a time when the prime necessity of strengthening the country's defences is placing a severe strain on the national finances, such extension would, besides placing a heavy direct burden both on industry and those employed in industry, involve such additional demands on the national Exchequer as would imperil that financial stability upon which depends the well-being of industry and employment and the maintenance of all existing social services.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, realising the acute distress prevailing in many districts due to lack of trade and consequent unemployment, this House is of opinion that as an immediate measure the Special Areas Act should be substantially amended and made applicable to all distressed areas pending a comprehensive scheme of economic reconstruction to establish national prosperity—[Mr. David Adams];
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "House," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "welcomes the intention of His Majesty's Government to extend the period of the Special Areas Acts and to introduce legislation dealing with industrial development in certain other areas where there is a high incidence of unemployment.

—(Mr. Henderson Stewart),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, stand part of the Question;

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. David Adams, Mr. William Joseph 139.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Henderson Stewart, Major Guest 160.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That 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. Barr, Sir Charles Barrie, Mr. Benson, Mr. Bosson, Sir William Bras, Major Dover, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Ed, Mr. Owen Evans, Sir Arnold Gridley, Captain Hambo, Sir Patrick Hanroy, Colonel Hensage, Mr. Leach, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Magnay, Mr. Macbain, Captain Peter Macdonald, Sir Thomas Moore, Mr. Parker, Captain Ramsay, Sir Isidore Salmon, Major Shaw, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Ben Smith, Sir Robert Smith, Sir Archibald Southby, and Mr. Watkins.

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 shall be the quorum of any of the Sub-Committees.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

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

(Captain Hope.)

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

[No. 13.]

Thursday, 24th November 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household Death of Her Majesty the Queen.

HE Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address relative to the Death of Her Majesty the Queen of Norway, had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:—

I thank you sincerely for your loyal and dutiful Address expressing sympathy with Me in the great loss I have sustained by the death of My Aunt, the Queen of Norway.

I shall not fail to convey to His Majesty King Haakon your message of condolence with him, and the Government and People of Norway.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Sunday Sections of an Act of Parliament, Sunday, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the borough of Reigate.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State Sunday, for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the borough of Faversham.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State Sunday, for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the urban district of Sevenoaks.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State Sunday, for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the urban district of Berkhamsted.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Mr. Ernest Brown presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of the proposed action of the Government regarding the Draft Convention concerning the Regulation of certain Special Systems of Recruiting Workers and the Recommendation concerning the Progressive Elimination of Recruiting.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 14th November 1938, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances) Rules, 1938.

Copy of Draft Order in Council entitled the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 4 Order, 1938, relating to Basketware.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Chairmen's Panel: That they had agreed to the following Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House:

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. That if, during the consideration of a Bill before one of the Standing Committees, it shall appear that the business could be expedited by postponing the further consideration of the Bill in hand until the Bill next on the list has been reported, and if the Member in charge of the Bill rises and makes a Motion to that effect, the Chairman will be in order in proposing such a question.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had appointed the following Members to be the Panel appointed to serve on the Select Committee on Standing Orders under Standing Order 98:—

Colonel Actland-Troyte, Mr. Frankel, Sir Francis Fremantle, Major Leighton, Mr. Mander, Sir Frank Sanderson, Mr. Annesley Somerville, and Mr. Tinker.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had selected the following Twelve Members to be the Panel appointed to serve on the Committee on Unopposed Bills under Standing Order 111:—

Mr. Boulton, Mr. Broad, Captain Crauford Brownie, Mr. Crosier, Sir Geoffrey Ellis, Sir Francis Fremantle, Sir George Hume, Mr. Lee, Mr. Logan, Sir Charles MacAndrew, Mr. Moreing, and Mr. Storey.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That, in pursuance of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, they had selected the following Twenty-five Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners:—

Mr. Barr, Mr. Chapman, Sir Samuel Chapman, the Marquess of Clydesdale, Sir Henry Gilkes, Sir Edmund Findlay, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Guy, Miss Horborough, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Graham Kerr, Mr. Kirkwood, Captain McEwen, Mr. Maclay, Sir Thomas Moore, Major Xenus-Spence, Lord William Scott, Captain Shaw, Sir Robert Smith, Mr. Henderson Stewart, Sir Douglas Thomson, Sir John Train, Mr. Watson, Mr. Welsh, and Mr. Young.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had appointed the following Members to serve on Standing Committee A:—

Mr. David Adams, Colonel Sandeman Allen, Mr. Bartlett, Sir Brograve Henchamp, Mr. Beechman, Mr. Bollenger, Sir Ernest Bennett, Commander Bowes, Mr. Burke, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Cartland, Captain Cazaret, Colonel Clarke, Viscountess Davidson, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ede, Sir Edmund Findlay, Mr. George Griffin, Mr. Joseph Henderson, Mr. Hunloke, Mr. Creach Jones, Mr. Kimball, Mr. Latham, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Liddall, Commander Maraden, Mr. Maxwell, Sir John Mellor, Mr. Patrick, Mr. Pearson, Colonel Ponsoby, Mr. Sandys, Sir Archibald Soubby, Captain Strickland, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Thorneycroft, Mr. Tree, Commander Tufnell, Mr. Graham White, and Lord Willoughby de Eresby.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill):—The Lord Advocate, Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Bracken, Sir George Broadbridge, Mr. Buchan-Hepburn, Mr. Trevor Cox, Mr. Cross, Mr. Duncan, Captain Ernest Evans, Mr. Hely-Hutchinson, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Robert Morrison, Mr. Poole, Sir David Reid, Sir George Schuster, Mr. Silkin, Mr. Silverman, Mr. Solicitor-General, and Mr. Stanley.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had appointed the following Members to serve on Standing Committee B:—

Mr. Actland, Mrs. Adamson,
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 Reports do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank, supported by Mr. Stanley, presented a Bill to amend Section twenty of the Mining Industry Act, 1920, and the enactments amending that section: And the same was ordered to be read a second time on Monday next; and to be printed.

Captain Wallace presented a Bill to grant money for the purpose of certain local loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes relating to local loans: And the same was ordered to be read a second time on Monday next; and to be printed.

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

Mr. Cross reported from the Committee on Expiring Laws Continuance [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to continue certain expiring laws, it is expedient to authorise the payment of such expenses, and the payment into the Exchequer of such receipts, as may be occasioned by the continuance of the Debts Clearing Offices and Import Restrictions Act, 1934, until the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and by the continuance of the Special Areas (Amendment) Act, 1937, until the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty, being expenses or receipts which, under or by virtue of either of the two last mentioned Acts, are to be defrayed out of such moneys or paid into the Exchequer.

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

Mr. Cross reported from the Committee on Prevention of Fraud (Investments) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide (among other things) for regulating the business of dealing in securities, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the Board of Trade (including the payment of such remuneration to the members of any tribunal constituted under the said Act to discharge functions in connection with the granting and revocation of licences, and such expenses of the said tribunal, as may be approved by the Treasury), and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of all fees received by the Board of Trade by virtue of the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
Resolved, That the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1938, which were presented on the 8th November 1938, be approved.—(Captain Austin Hudson.)

Resolved, That the draft of an Order in Council declaring that registration of title to land is to be compulsory on sale in the county borough of Croydon, which was presented to this House on the sixteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, be approved. —(Mr. Attorney-General.)

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Milk Industry 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 Reorganisation of Offices (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 Criminal Justice Bill;

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute 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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Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

[No. 14.]

Friday, 25th November 1938.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Coal (Coal Mine Refuse) 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. Lawson rose in his place, and claimed to Closure 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.

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 9th day of December next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Second Reading of the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) 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. 2, it being then one minute after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Cyril Entwistle Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Malcolm Barclay-Harvey Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy,

Speaker.

25th November 1938.
Monday, 28th November 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Ramsbotham presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 14th November 1938, entitled—

(1) the Aylesbury and Northampton (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(2) the Cambridge, Chelmsford, and Hertford (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(3) the Derby, Burton-on-Trent, and Stockport (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(4) the Dorsetshire and Bournemouth (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(5) the Guildford and Southampton (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(6) the Oldham and Huddersfield (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(7) the Peterborough and Welwyn Borough Councillors (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938; 

(8) the South Middlesex and Reading (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(9) the Swindon and Oxford (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938;

(10) the York, Northallerton, and Hull (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1938.

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

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 2nd November 1938, relating to the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 5) Order, 1938.

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

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 28th November 1938, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 5) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics of Scotland for 1937.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, the Superannuation Act, 1937, by—

(1) the Central Lancashire (Local Authorities) Joint Superannuation Committee;

(2) the Poplar Borough Council.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Settlements made under the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1937, by—

(1) the Central Lancashire (Local Authorities) Joint Superannuation Committee;

(2) the Poplar Borough Council.

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

Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 25th November 1938, authorising the landing at London from the United States of thirty-eight goats, and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto (Order No. 5,772).

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


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

Henry Brooke, Esquire, Member for the New Member Borough of Lewisham (West Division), 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.

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

Tellers for the [Captain Dugdale, Yeas, (Captain Waterhouse: 210.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes, (Mr. Adamson: 95.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Continuance of Acts in Schedule).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. George Hall.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.
Tuesday, 29th November 1938

Question put, and agreed to.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 2 agreed to.
Schedule: Amendment proposed, in p. 3, to leave out l. 15 to 18. (Mr. Harvey.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary Colville, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law in Scotland with respect to arrangements between local authorities in respect of housing accommodation, and with respect to arrangements between local authorities and other persons for the provision of such housing accommodation, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

A. of such expenses as may be incurred by the Department of Health for Scotland (hereinafter referred to as "the Department") in making to any local authority—

(1) in respect of each new house completed after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, which, with the approval of the Department, is provided by that authority by way of housing accommodation—

(a) rendered necessary by displacements occurring in connection with any action taken by that authority under Part I or Part II of the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1930 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act of 1930"), for dealing with clearance or improvement areas or for the demolition or closing of insanitary houses, or under paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section forty-three of the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1925; or

(b) rendered necessary by displacements occurring in the carrying out of re-development under the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1935 (hereinafter referred to as "Act of 1935"); or

(c) required for putting an end to overcrowding; an annual contribution for forty years of the following amount, that is to say, ten pounds ten shillings where the house is one of three apartments or less, eleven pounds fifteen shillings where the house is one of four apartments, and thirteen pounds where the house is one of five or more apartments;

(2) where the Department are satisfied that by reason of—

(a) the costliness of providing housing accommodation in a re-development area; or

(b) the purchase under Part I of the Act of 1930, or the payment of compensation under that Act in respect of the demolition of dwelling houses or other premises which are neither unfit for human habitation nor injurious or dangerous to health, and which are included in, or adjoin, or are surrounded by a clearance area; or

(c) the costliness of the provision by a local authority of housing accommodation in tenements on a central site,

the total annual expenditure likely to be incurred by the local authority in providing housing accommodation rendered necessary or required as aforesaid is substantially greater than the equivalent of the aggregate of the annual contributions that may be made by the Department under the said Act of the present Session and the corresponding contributions that may be payable by the local authority under the provisions of the said Act, in addition to the appropriate annual contribution aforesaid, an annual contribution for forty years, of such amount not exceeding fifteen pounds in respect of each house provided in the re-development area, or in the clearance area or on land adjoining or surrounded by the clearance area or acquired in connection therewith, or in tenements on the central site, as the case may be, as may be sanctioned by the Treasury;

(3) where the Department are satisfied that the total annual expenditure likely to be incurred by a local authority in providing such housing accommodation is substantially greater than the equivalent aforesaid, in consequence of the remoteness of the sites of any houses in which such accommodation is provided from centres of supply of
building labour and material, and the impracticability of obtaining for such houses higher rents than are ordinarily payable by persons employed in agriculture or fishing or by persons of a like economic condition, in addition to the appropriate annual contribution aforesaid an annual contribution for forty years of such amount in respect of such of the houses so provided as may be sanctioned by the Treasury; and

(4) in respect of accommodation in a hostel which, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act of the present Session, is deemed to be a new house, an annual contribution for forty years of five pounds ten shillings; and

B. of such sums as may become payable by the Department by virtue of any provisions of the said Act of the present Session—

(1) enabling the Department to make to a housing association to be approved by the Secretary of State for the purposes of the said Act an annual contribution for forty years of such amount as may be sanctioned by the Treasury in respect of each new house specially erected by the approved association for experimental or demonstration purposes by way of housing accommodation for the working classes (being housing accommodation rendered necessary or required as aforesaid) in accordance with proposals approved by the Department before the thirtieth day of September, 1942 (or such later date not being later than the thirtieth day of September, 1943, as may be approved by the Treasury), and under arrangements made with a local authority under section twenty-six of the Act of 1935;

(2) enabling the Department for the purpose of assisting the approved association to provide such new houses as aforesaid to make advances to them of such amounts and repayable over such periods and on such terms as may be approved by the Treasury;

(3) amending the provisions of subsections (1) (4) (7) and (8) of section thirty-three of the Act of 1935; or

(4) amending the provisions of subsection (1) of section twenty-six of the Act of 1935.

(Mr. Secretary Colville.)
Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Milk Industry Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Justice Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill;

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

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Lambert Ward Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

28th November 1938.
[No. 16.]

Tuesday, 29th November 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Copy of Order in Council, dated 4th November 1938, made under the British Settlements Act, 1897, entitled the Kenya and Uganda (Transport) Amendment Order in Council, 1938.

Carriage by Air Act, 1932.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 4th November 1938, entitled the Carriage by Air (Aden Protectorate) (Date of Coming into Force of Convention) Order, 1938.

Foreign Jurisdiction Acts.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 4th November 1938, made under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, entitled the Qatar Order in Council, 1938.


Fugitive Offenders Acts.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 4th November 1938, applying Part II of the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, to the Cayman Islands.

Merchant Shipping Acts.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 4th November 1938, approving Regulations with regard to any Government Ships in the service of the Government of the Colony of Fiji.


Copies of Orders in Council, dated 4th November 1938, entitled—

(1) the Air Navigation Acts (Extension to the Isle of Man) Order, 1938;
(2) the Air Navigation (Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories) (Amendment) Order, 1938.

Copies of Statutes made—

(1) by the Governing Body of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, on 14th June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;
(2) by the Governing Body of Queens' College, Cambridge, on 29th June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;
(3) by the Governing Body of St. John's College, Cambridge, on 29th June 1938, amending existing Statutes of the College;
(4) by the Governing Body of Selwyn College, Cambridge, on 29th June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;
(5) by the Governing Body of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on 29th June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;

(6) by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, on 21st June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;
(7) by the Governing Body of King's College, Cambridge, on 21st June 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College;
(8) by the Governing Body of Christ's College, Cambridge, on 13th July 1938, amending existing Statutes of the College;
(9) by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, on 18th July 1938, amending existing Statutes of the College;
(10) by the Governing Body of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, on 20th July 1938, amending an existing Statute of the College.

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

Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 9th November 1938, entitled the Reserve of Posts (Officers in His Majesty's Forces) Rules, 1938.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.

Mr. Secretary Colville reported from the Housing Committee on Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law in Scotland with respect to the making of contributions out of the Exchequer and by local authorities in respect of housing accommodation provided for the working classes, and with respect to arrangements between local authorities and other persons for the provision of such housing accommodation, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

A. of such expenses as may be incurred by the Department of Health for Scotland (hereinafter referred to as "the Department") in making to any local authority—

(1) in respect of each new house completed after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, which, with the approval of the Department, is provided by that authority by way of housing accommodation—

(a) rendered necessary by displacements occurring in connection with any action taken by that
authority under Part I or Part II of the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1930 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act of 1930"), for dealing with clearance or improvement areas or for the demolition or closing of insanitary houses, or under paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section forty-three of the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1925; or

(b) rendered necessary by displacements occurring in the carrying out of re-development under the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1935 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act of 1935"); or

(c) required for putting an end to overcrowding;

an annual contribution for forty years of the following amount, that is to say, ten pounds ten shillings where the house is one of three apartments or less, eleven pounds fifteen shillings where the house is one of four apartments, and thirteen pounds where the house is one of five or more apartments;

(2) where the Department are satisfied that by reason of—

(a) the costliness of providing housing accommodation in a re-development area; or

(b) the purchase under Part I of the Act of 1930, or the payment of compensation under that Act in respect of the demolition of dwelling houses or other premises which are neither unfit for human habitation nor injurious or dangerous to health, and which are included in, or adjoin, or are surrounded by a clearance area; or

(c) the costliness of the provision by a local authority of housing accommodation in tenements on a central site, the total annual expenditure likely to be incurred by the local authority in providing housing accommodation rendered necessary or required as aforesaid is substantially greater than the equivalent of the aggregate of the annual contributions that may be made by the Department under the said Act of the present Session and the corresponding contributions that may be payable by the local authority under the provisions of the said Act, in addition to the appropriate annual contribution aforesaid, an annual contribution for forty years, of such amount not exceeding fifteen pounds in respect of each house provided in the re-development area, or in the clearance area or on land adjoining or surrounded by the clearance area or acquired in connection therewith, or in tenements on the central site, as the case may be, as may be sanctioned by the Treasury;

(3) where the Department are satisfied that the total annual expenditure likely to be incurred by a local authority in providing such housing accommodation is substantially greater than the equivalent aforesaid, in consequence of the remoteness of the sites of any houses in which such accommodation is provided from centres of supply of building labour and material, and the impracticability of obtaining for such houses higher rents than are ordinarily payable by persons employed in agriculture, or fishing, or by persons of a like economic condition, in addition to the appropriate annual contribution aforesaid, an annual contribution for forty years of such amount in respect of such of the houses so provided as may be sanctioned by the Treasury; and

(4) in respect of accommodation in a hostel which, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act of the present Session, is deemed to be a new house, an annual contribution for forty years of five pounds ten shillings; and

B. of such sums as may become payable by the Department by virtue of any provisions of the said Act of the present Session—

(1) enabling the Department to make to a housing association to be approved by the Secretary of State for the purposes of the said Act an annual contribution for forty years of such amount as may be sanctioned by the Treasury in respect of each new house specially erected by the approved association for experimental or demonstration purposes by way of housing accommodation for the working classes (being housing accommodation rendered necessary or required as aforesaid) in accordance with proposals approved by the Department before the thirtieth day of September, 1942 (or such later date not being later than the thirtieth day of September, 1943, as may be approved by the Treasury), and under arrangements made with a local authority under section twenty-six of the Act of 1935;

(2) enabling the Department for the purpose of assisting the approved association to provide such new houses as aforesaid to make advances to them of such amounts and repayable over such periods and on such terms as may be approved by the Treasury;

(3) amending the provisions of subsections (1) (4) (7) and (8) of section thirty-three of the Act of 1935; or

(4) amending the provisions of subsection (1) of section twenty-six of the Act of 1935.

The said 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;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Supplementary Agreement for the execution of Article 2 of the Anglo-German Transfer Agreement of 1st July 1938. Berlin, 15th August 1938.

Copy of Notes exchanged between His Treaty Series Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the German Reich regarding the Application of Treaties between the United Kingdom, Germany, and Austria. Berlin, 6th May—10th September 1938.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Gas Undertakings directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts on the application of the Reading Gas Company.

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


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:

Account of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Northern Ireland, in respect of the functions transferred under the Northern Ireland Land Purchase (Winding Up) Act, 1933, for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the Local Loans Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in respect of the Capital and Income of the Local Loans Fund for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Cinematograph Fund, established pursuant to Section 2 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, showing Receipts and Payments during the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of the Spindles Board for the periods ended 13th March 1938 and 13th September 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Mr. Elliot, supported by Mr. Secretary Cane Bill, Colville, Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Bernays, Bill 38, and Mr. Scrymgour Wedderburn, presented a Bill to make further provision for the treatment of cancer, to authorize the Minister of Health to lend money to the National Radium Trust, to prohibit certain advertisements relating to cancer, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt foreign plate more than one hundred years old from assay, stamping, and marking; and that Mr. Higgs, Sir Patrick Hannon, Mr. Crozier, Mr. Grant-Ferris, Mr. Liddall, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lyons, Sir John Mellor, Sir Smedley Crooke, Mr. Herbert Williams, and Sir Louis Smith do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Higgs accordingly presented a Bill to exempt foreign plate more than one hundred years old from assay, stamping, and marking; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in view of the urgent need to promote our overseas trade and guard against any undue increase in the adverse balance of payments, this House welcomes the recent statements by the President of the Board of Trade, as to the intention of the Government to assist the basic exporting industries, and of the opinion that particular regard should be had to the desirability of maintaining and increasing trade within the Empire; of using the buying power of this country in the most effective manner possible in the negotiation and revision of trade agreements; of assisting the cotton and other exporting industries to increase their efficiency and to maintain and expand their overseas trade; and of promoting action, where necessary, to overcome the increasing menace of State-aided foreign competition—(Mr. Sutcliffe);

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 regrets the failure of His Majesty's Government to recognise, in the light of modern conditions, the imperative need for creating trading organisations on national lines, including export boards, in order to expand the basic British exports such as coal and cotton,—"—(Mr. Silverman),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

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

Tellers for the [Mr. Sutcliffe, 197.]

Yeas,

Tellers for the [Mr. Silverman, 121.]

Noes,

Mr. Burke.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

And it being after half-past Seven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Resolved, That this House recognises the call upon medical services in case of air-raids as a cardinal factor in such an emergency; is of opinion that a complete and detailed scheme is required providing for the medical and auxiliary personnel, the institutions, equipment, communications, and transport entailed; and demands that both policy and administration shall be devised without delay and carried out under responsible co-operation between the British Medical Association and other representatives of the medical profession and of the hospitals, with the several Government departments concerned.—(Sir Francis Fremantle.)

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

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

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

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

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

(Captain Hope.)

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

[No. 18.]

Thursday, 1st December 1938.

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 Glasgow Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Paisley Corporation (Cart Navigation) Order Confirmation Bill.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Petition (Factories (Notification of Diseases) Regulations, 1938).

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copies of Regulations, dated 16th November 1938, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Administration) (No. 2) (Scotland) Regulations, 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copies of Regulations, dated 15th November 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Glasgow Boundaries) Order, 1938.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts on the application of—

(1) the Bedford District Gas Company;
(2) the Dawlish Gas and Coke Company, Limited;
(3) the Martock and District Gas Consumers Company, Limited;
(4) the Nantwich Gas Company, Limited;
(5) the Whitstable Gas and Coke Company, Limited;
(6) the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Saffron Walden.

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

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Rules, made by the Central Valuation Board, under the Coal Act, 1938, entitled the Coal (Valuation Procedure) Rules, 1938.

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

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Hunsley and Sir Archibald Southby; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Petherick and Mr. Herbert Williams.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill):—Sir David Reid; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Spens.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Petherick; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Roelands.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill):—Mr. Bernays, Captain Brisacoe, Mr. Butcher, Captain Crookshank, Sir Geoffrey Ellis, Mr. Lawes, Mr. Mayney, Mr. Martin, Mr. Mathers, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Peake, Sir Hugh Scuby, Mr. Tinker, and Mr. Wragg.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of November last, That the Criminal Justice Bill be now read a second time;

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

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject of the Motion relating to Criminal Justice [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to the probation of offenders, to provide new methods and to reform existing methods of dealing with offenders, and to amend the law relating to the treatment of offenders after sentence, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of the expenses of the Secretary of State in carrying the said Act into effect, and of any expenses incurred by the Board of Control in connection with the control and management of State mental hospitals;
(b) of such sums as the Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, direct, and subject to such conditions as he may with the like approval determine—

(i) towards the expenditure of local authorities and out of the metropolitan police fund in respect of the salaries, expenses and superannuation of probation officers, the mental treatment and maintenance of persons placed under the supervision of probation officers, any contributions in connection with the provision of homes or hostels for such persons, and any other expenses relating to the probation of offenders and the work of probation officers;
(ii) towards the expenditure of local authorities and out of the metropolitan police fund in connection with the medical examination of offenders;
(iii) towards the expenditure of local authorities in providing centres at which juvenile offenders may be ordered to attend;
(iv) towards the expenditure of any society or person in connection with the provision of homes or hostels for persons placed under the supervision of probation officers;
(v) in respect of the expenditure of any body approved by the Secretary of State in the training of probation officers or of persons for appointment as probation officers;
(vi) towards the expenditure of any society engaged in supervising or assisting persons released from prisons or other institutions;
(c) of any sums by which any grants under section one hundred and four of the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933, or section one hundred and seven of the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act, 1937, towards the expenses of local authorities in respect of remand homes are increased by reason of any provisions of the said Act of the present Session.
The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment.
(Captain Hope.)

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

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Friday, 2nd December 1938.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Glasgow Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Paisley Corporation (Cart Navigation) Paisley Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to Aberdeen Corporation (General Powers) Order Confirmation Bill.

And the same was read the first time, Bill 42, and ordered, under Section 9 of the Act, to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of this instant December.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; Public Petitions. Vide First Report.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Pensions Acts Monday next, the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Access to Mountains Bill;
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 six months." (Captain Heilgers.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill;

And it being Four of the clock, further Proceeding stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 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. 20.]

Monday, 5th December 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Chairman of Ways and Means have power to select from the panel appointed under Standing Order 111 one Member to act as chairman at every meeting of a Committee on Unopposed Bills at which neither the Chairman of Ways and Means nor the Deputy Chairman is present, and at any such meeting the Member so selected shall be a Member of the Committee in addition to the three Members mentioned in Standing Order 111.

Ordered, That during the present Session the Committee of Selection have power to add to the panel appointed under Standing Order 111.

(Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That in the case of an Opposed Bill promoted by a municipal or other local authority containing clauses by which it is proposed to create powers relating to Police, Sanitary, and other Local Government matters in conflict with, deviation from, or excess of the provisions of the general law, the Committee to which the Bill is referred shall, when considering such clauses as aforesaid, have the assistance of the Counsel to Mr. Speaker. (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the London directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Traffic Act, Regulations, dated—

(1) 24th November 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Station Parade, Gerrards Cross) Regulations, 1938;
(2) 28th November 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 59) (East Ham and Barking By-Pass) Regulations, 1938;
(3) 28th November 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 60) (Islington) Regulations, 1938;
(4) 1st December 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 61) (Bell Lane, Hendon) Regulations, 1938;
(5) 1st December 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 62) (Slough) Regulations, 1938;
(6) 1st December 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 63) (Finsbury Square) Regulations, 1938.

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

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of International Agreement (No. 72, 1938.) modifying the International Convention of 21st June 1920 for the establishment of an International Institute of Refrigeration. Paris, 31st May 1937. [His Majesty's Ratification in respect of the United Kingdom deposited on 9th August 1938, and of the Commonwealth of Australia on 23rd August 1938.]

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

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the Chancery of directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Lancaster Rules, dated 18th November 1938, entitled the Chancery of Lancaster Rules (No. 2), 1938.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Order, dated 9th November 1938, making further provision for the granting of short-service commissions in the Royal Air Force.

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

Official Secretaries Acts.

Ordered, That the First Report from the Select Committee on the Official Secret Acts be now taken into consideration.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Report of the Committee into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in their Report.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the applicability of the Official Secret Acts to Members of this House in the discharge of their parliamentary duties, having regard to the undoubted privileges of this House as confirmed in the Bill of Rights.

The Committee was nominated of, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Mr. Maxwell Pye, Sir John Glidmore, Mr. Kingsley Griffith, Mr. Mabane, Sir Charles MacAndrew, Mr. Maxton, Mr. Pethick, Mr. Pickthorn, Sir Asheton Powell, Mr. Raikes, Mr. Lees-Smith, and Mr. W Stallan.

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

Ordered, That Seven be the quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Official Secret Acts in the last Session of Parliament, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, be referred to the Committee.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. William Morrison reported from the Committee on Public Works Loans [Remission of Debt], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session relating to local loans, it is expedient to authorise the remission of—

(a) of the expenses of the Secretary of State in carrying the said Act into effect, and of any expenses incurred by the Board of Control in connection with the control and management of State mental hospitals;

(b) of such sums as the Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, direct, and subject to such conditions as he may with the like approval determine—

(i) towards the expenditure of local authorities and out of the metropolitan police fund in respect of the salaries, expenses and superannuation of probation officers, the mental treatment and maintenance of persons placed under the supervision of probation officers, any contributions in connection with the provision of homes or hostels for such persons, and any other expenses relating to the probation of offenders and the work of probation officers;

(ii) towards the expenditure of local authorities and out of the metropolitan police fund in connection with the medical examination of offenders;

(iii) towards the expenditure of local authorities in providing centres at which juvenile offenders may be ordered to attend;

(iv) towards the expenditure of any society or person in connection with the provision of homes or hostels for persons placed under the supervision of probation officers;

(v) in respect of the expenditure of any body approved by the Secretary of State in the training of probation officers or of persons for appointment as probation officers;

(vi) towards the expenditure of any society engaged in supervising or assisting persons released from prisons or other institutions;

(c) of any sums by which any grants under section one hundred and four of the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933,
or section one hundred and seven of the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act, 1937, towards the expenses of local authorities in respect of remand homes are increased by reason of any provisions of the said Act of the present Session;
(d) of such sums in respect of the expenses of the maintenance of persons ordered to be detained in police stations as may be determined in accordance with scales prescribed by order of the Secretary of State.

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

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Tuesday, 6th December 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.
(1) the Barking Borough Council;
(2) the Brighton County Borough Council;
(3) the Hornchurch Urban District Council.


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

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the British directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 25th November 1938, entitled the West African Coinage (Amendment) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Scotland) Act.

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

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Import Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 17th November 1938, relating to the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 6) Order, 1938.

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 8th December 1938, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 6) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Ramsbotham presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 28th November 1938, entitled the War Pensions Committees (Extension) Order, 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
6th—7th December, 1938.

Sir Malcolm Barclay-Harvey reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills: That they had gone through the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Captain Claude Granville Lancaster, Member for the County of Lancaster (Fylde Division), was sworn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the proposals of His Majesty's Government for National Voluntary Service—(Sir John Anderson) — 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 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 Hall-marking of Foreign Plate 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 Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute after Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Capt. Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement relating to Length of Service of Temporary Clerical and Typing Staffs employed in Government Departments on 1st April 1938.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Merchandise Marks Act, 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:

Accounts of the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Wales for 1937, and from 24th September 1914 to 31st December 1937, 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.

Copy of the Herring Fund Advances Account, Herring Fund established pursuant to Section 9 of the Herring Industry Act, 1933, showing the sums received and paid for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon and an audited Statement.

Copy of Additional Rule, dated 23rd November, 1938, for the disposal of Documents which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to Church Temporalities in Wales and Herring Fund Advances Account 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 passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the further protection of wild duck and wild goose.

The Wild Birds (Duck and Gese) Protection Bill was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Colonial proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, no redistribution of Colonial or mandated territory should be made without the consent of the inhabitants; and that, as part of a general peace settlement, international agreements should be drawn up extending the application of the mandate system to all Colonial territories which are not ripe for self-government, providing equal economic opportunity in such territories for the nationals of all signatory Powers, and establishing as the primary purpose of Colonial policy the welfare and progress of the Native inhabitants—(Mr. Noel Baker);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "House," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "the primary purpose of Colonial policy should be the welfare and progress of the inhabitants of Colonial territories and that, apart from any other considerations, no change in the status of
The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means:

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Hope.)

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

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[No. 23.]

Thursday, 8th December 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Merchant directions of several Acts of Parliament, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order, 1939.

Copy of Rules, dated 26th November 1938, entitled the Designs (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules, 1938.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health Insurance Regulations, dated 21st November 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy, Army and Air Force) Regulations, 1938.

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

Sir Lambert Ward reported from Standing Committee B: That they had gone through the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 21st day of April next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.
Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Robert Hudson, presented a Bill to extend the powers of the Board of Trade to give guarantees for the purpose of establishing or encouraging overseas trade; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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

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

[No. 24.]

Friday, 9th December 1938.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Safety in Coal Mines.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation Acts (1925 to 1934) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time;

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the words " upon this day six months." (Mr. Gordon MacDonald.)

And the Question being put, That the words "now " stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

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 Charities Second Reading of the Charities (Fuel Allotments) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Major General Sir Alfred Knox, Colonel Clarke; 55.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tinkler, Mr. Ellis Smith; 46.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Custody of Children (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Coast Protection 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 Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill;

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

Mr. Stephen 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. Stephen rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

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

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

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

The Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Sir Thomas Moore.)

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

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[No. 25.]

Monday, 12th December 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

The Aberdeen Corporation (General Powers) Aberdeen Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 30th November 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Reserve Forces) Regulations, 1938;

(2) 5th December 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Discharged Seamen, Soldiers and Airmen) Regulations, 1938.

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th December 1938, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 64) (Ealing) Regulations, 1938.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Civil Air Transport Services. Copy of Notes exchanged between His Majesty's Government in Canada in connection with the Trade Agreement between Canada and the United States, dated 17th November 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Trade Agreement between Canada and the United States of America.

Copy of Letters exchanged between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and His Majesty's Government in Canada in connection with the Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom and the United States, signed at Washington on 17th November 1938.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being Business of the House, 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 Yeas, Captain Hope, Captain Bugdale; 218.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Groves, Mr. Mathers; 90.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Mr. Elliot, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Cancer [Money], proposed to be moved under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question put, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session relating to cancer, it is expedient—

(1) To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of a grant in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) The grant shall be payable in respect of any relevant year to the council of every county and county borough in England, and of every county and large burgh in Scotland, on which additional expenditure is imposed by the said Act in respect of that year;

(b) The amount of the grant so payable to a council in respect of any year shall be calculated to the nearest pound by multiplying by the weighting factor one-half the amount of the additional expenditure so imposed on the council in respect of that year and dividing the product by the average weighting factor, but shall not in any case exceed seventeen-twentieths of the additional expenditure so imposed;

(c) For the purpose of the foregoing provisions, expenditure incurred by a council in respect of any year in the provision of treatment for persons suffering or suspected to be suffering from cancer shall be deemed to be additional expenditure imposed by the said Act on the council in respect of that year if and to the extent that it is estimated, to the satisfaction of the appropriate Minister and in accordance with directions given by him as provided in the said Act, to exceed the expenditure so incurred by that council in respect of the first year in the third fixed grant period;

(d) For the purpose of this Resolution—

(i) "appropriate Minister " means the Minister of Health or, in relation to a council in Scotland, the Department of Health for Scotland;

(ii) "average weighting factor " means the quotient obtained by dividing the aggregate weighted population of all the counties and county boroughs in England or all the counties and large burghs in Scotland, as the case may be, by their aggregate estimated population;

(iii) "weighting factor " means the quotient obtained by dividing the weighted population of the county, county borough or large burgh in question by the estimated population thereof;

(iv) "relevant year " means the third, fourth and fifth years in the third fixed grant period and every year in the fourth fixed grant period;

(v) "estimated population," "weighted population," and "fixed grant period " have the same meanings as in the Local Government Act, 1929, or the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1929, as the case may be, as amended by any subsequent enactment.

(2) To authorise the Minister of Health to lend to the National Radium Trust, out of moneys provided by Parliament, sums not exceeding in the aggregate five hundred thousand pounds, and to authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by the said Minister by way of repayment of any such loan or by way of interest thereon.

—(Captain Austin Hudson.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords];

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

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

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Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Custody of Children (Scotland) Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty's Statistical Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom for each of the years 1913 and 1924 to 1937. Eighty-second Number.

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

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to Post Office Standing Order No. 72,—Copy of Contract, (Western, Highlands and Islands Non-Subsidised Mail Contract.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the No. 16. Table; and be printed.

Mr. Lindsay presented, pursuant to the Education directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulation, dated 3rd December 1938, made under the Education Act, 1921, for the revocation of the Art Awards Regulations, 1936.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th December 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Reserve and Transfer Values) Regulations, 1938.

Copy of Scheme, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Planning Ballock Urban District Planning Scheme.

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

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

Copy of Report to the Lord Chancellor of the Lunacy number of visits made, the number of patients seen, and the number of miles travelled by the visitors of lunatics between 1st April 1938 and 30th September 1938.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from Her Majesty's Government, was brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Glasgow Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Paisley Corporation (Cart Navigation) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to the National Trust for Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The National Trust for Scotland Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was ordered, under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 5, the ballot for Motions for Wednesday, 1st February, shall be taken on Wednesday, 14th December.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Companies Act, 1929, with respect to the holding of shares in news agencies, newspapers, and periodicals.—(Captain Ramsay)

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. 10.

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the

*Captain Ramsay,*

Yea,

*Mr. Bellenger*;

151.

Tellers for the

*Mr. Storey,*

Noo,

*Sir Edmund Findlay*;

104.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Captain Ramsay, Sir Robert Rankin, Sir Charles Cogner, Mr. Erskine Hill, Captain Alan Graham, Mr. Johnston, and Mr. Kingley Griffith do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Captain Ramsay accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Companies Act, 1929, with respect to the holding of shares in news agencies, newspapers, and periodicals: And the same 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 the Second Reading of the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill:

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "whilst welcoming the reorganisation of Scottish Offices, this House is of opinion that more far-reaching measures are required for the better administration of affairs in Scotland,"—(Mr. Johnston),—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 Kerr,*

Yea,

*Maj. Harris Watt*;

157.

Tellers for the

*Mr. Grove,*

Noes,

*M. Mathers*;

92.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Secretary Coleville, by His Majesty's Reorganisation Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject—matter of the Motion relating to Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the transference of the functions of Scottish government departments to the Secretary of State, to make provision for the reorganisation of the General Board of Control for Scotland, and for purposes connected with the aforesaid matters, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such remuneration as the Secretary of State with the consent of the Treasury may from time to time determine to the secretaries, officers, and servants appointed to enable the Secretary of State to discharge the functions vested in him and to the chairman, and the medical and legal commissioners of the General Board of Control for Scotland, and of such sums in respect of the expenses of a Fishery Advisory Council as the Treasury may approve.—(Mr. Secretary Coleville.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

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

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

A Motion was made, and the Question Road and being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Goods Vehicles (Licences and Prohibitions) (Amendment) Provisional Regulations, 1938, dated 1st September 1938, made by the Minister of Transport under and by virtue of the powers conferred on him by the Road Traffic Act, 1930, and the Road and Rail Traffic Act, 1933, a copy of which Regulations was presented to this House on the 8th day of November 1938, be annulled.—(Sir Reginald Clarry):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Cancer Bill Committee on the Cancer Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Cancer [Money.] The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Cancer [Money]:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Breaking up of Streets by Statutory Undertakers.

Resolved, That it is expedient that a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons be appointed to consider those sections of the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847, the Waterworks Clauses Act, 1847, the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936, and the Schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act, 1889, which relate to the breaking up of streets for the purpose of laying pipes and other works, and to report what, if any, modifications of those provisions should be made to meet modern conditions with a view to their incorporation in future Bills and ‘Orders promoted by statutory Undertakers.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

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

Adjournment.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords];

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

Adjournment.

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

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

[No. 27.]

Wednesday, 14th December 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

The Aberdeen 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the National Trust for Scotland Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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

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A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That in view of the increasing number of accidents to boys employed in mines, this House would welcome legislation to prohbit the employment underground of persons under the age of 16 years, to prescribe for such young persons employed above ground in the mining industry a course of training in the principles of safety during their hours of employment, and to provide that, upon entering into employment underground after reaching the qualifying age, they shall not be employed in connection with machinery and shall be under the supervision of a charge-hand during the first three months—(Lieutenant-Commander Fletcher);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in 1. 1, by leaving out from the word "the" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "large number of accidents to boys employed underground in coal mines, this House would welcome legislation to deal with the matter, and feels, subject to consideration of the Report of the Royal Commission on Safety in Coal Mines, that such legislation should prohibit the employment of boys underground except after suitable training above ground and subject to proper supervision,"—(Mr. Peake), 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 [Lieutenant-Commander Fletcher, Mr. Robert Taylor: 123.] Tellers for the [Mr. Peake, Colonel Clarke: 135.]

So it passed in the Negative.

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

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

Tellers for the [Mr. Peake, Colonel Clarke: 135.]

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Fletcher, Mr. Robert Taylor: 117.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being proposed —And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Sir James Edmondson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—
- Copy of Order, dated 12th December 1938, authorising the landing from the United States of America of six Goats, and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto (Order No. 5,783).

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

Standing Committee A. (Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill). Bill 50.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

No. 17.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Message from the Lords.

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Standing Committee A. (Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill).

Mr. Cary Entwistle reported from Standing Committee A. That they had gone through the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill, and had made Amendments thereto.

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No. 17.
The Export Guarantees Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Furness.)

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Export Guarantees [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend the powers of the Board of Trade to give guarantees for the purpose of establishing or encouraging overseas trade, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of expenses to be incurred by the Board of Trade under the said Act in connection with arrangements for giving for the purpose aforesaid further guarantees in connection with any matter not involving an aggregate liability at any time of more than ten million pounds, and not involving, in the case of guarantees in connection with any matter other than the export, or an agreement for the export, of goods other than home-produced goods (including such guarantees as may be treated by virtue of the said Act as such guarantees as aforesaid), an aggregate liability at any time of more than two million pounds.

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C. To provide that in the event of any amount required for fulfilling any guarantee given in pursuance of such arrangements not being paid out of moneys provided by Parliament it shall be charged on, and issued out of, the Consolidated Fund.

D. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by the Board of Trade in connection with any such guarantees.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Cross reported from the Committee on Cancer [Money], a Resolution; which was read, [Money] as followeth:

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session relating to cancer, it is expedient—

(1) To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of a grant in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) The grant shall be payable in respect of any relevant year to the council of every county and county borough in England, and of every county and large burgh in Scotland, on which additional expenditure is imposed by the said Act in respect of that year;

(b) The amount of the grant so payable to a council in respect of any year shall be calculated to the nearest pound by multiplying by the weighting factor one-half the amount of the additional expenditure so imposed on the council in respect of that year and dividing the product by the average weighting factor, but shall not in any case exceed seventeen-twentieths of the additional expenditure so imposed;

(c) For the purpose of the foregoing provisions, expenditure incurred by a council in respect of any year in the provision of treatment for persons
Mr. Cross reported from the Committee on Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the transference of the functions of Scottish government departments to the Secretary of State, to make provisions for the reorganisation of the General Board of Control for Scotland, and for purposes connected with the aforesaid matters, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such remuneration as the Secretary of State with the consent of the Treasury may from time to time determine to the secretaries, officers, and servants appointed to enable the Secretary of State to discharge the functions vested in him and to the chairman, and the medical and legal commissioners of the General Board of Control for Scotland, and of such sums in respect of the expenses of a Fisheries Advisory Council as the Treasury may approve.

The said 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, 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 Milk Industry Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Cancer Bill Committee on the Cancer Bill;

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Furness);

And it being Eleven of the 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 Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

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

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

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.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Major Lloyd George Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Criminal Justice Bill.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Major Milner Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill.

E. A. FrizRoy, Speaker.

15th December 1938.
Friday, 16th December 1938.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Prayers.

Private Bills. THE Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that, in accordance with Standing Order 87 he had conferred with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and they had determined that the Bills contained in the following List should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

- Bogotá Gas and Electricity.
- Bootle Corporation.
- City of London (Various Powers).
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- National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty.
- Oswestry Corporation.
- Royal Wanstead School.
- Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport.
- Stroud District Water Board, &c.
- Tynemouth Corporation.
- West Gloucestershire Water.
- West Surrey Water.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Seamen’s directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade on account of Seamen’s Savings Banks, under the authority of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, during the year ended 20th November 1937, and of the Interest thereon.

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

Mr. Burgin presented,—Return to an Order, Tramways dated the 14th day of April in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to Tramways and Light Railways (Street and Road) and Trolley Vehicle Undertakings.

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 Regulations, dated 13th December 1938, entitled the Biscuit Manufacture (Over-time) Regulations, 1938.

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

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

- Copies of Schedules containing a list and particulars of certain classes of documents—
  1. existing or accruing in the Foreign Office;
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The Order of the day being read, for the Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill;

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

Sir Francis Fremantle rose in his place, and Closure claimed to move, That the Question be now put, but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Adoption of Children (Regulation) 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;

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

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Mr. Grant-Ferris 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.

Sir John Haslam 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 Friday the 10th day of February next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Places (Order and Decency) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 17th day of February next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of February next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords]:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bacon Industry (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. 2, it being then one minute after Four of the clock, till Monday next.
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19th December, 1938.

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

- Account showing Receipts and Expenditure Petroleum under the Petroleum (Production) Act, 1934, for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

- Accounts of the Post Office Fund, established Post Office under section 39 of the Finance Act, 1933, Fund, showing Receipts and Issues during the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

- Accounts of the Debts Clearing Offices, Debts showing the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

- Accounts of the Unemployment Fund, Unemploy- established pursuant to section 58 (1) of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1935, showing the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

- Copy of Rules, dated 16th December 1938, Public made by the Master of the Rolls, respecting the Public use of the Records. Ordered, That the Papers relative to Post Office Fund, Debts Clearing Offices and Import Restrictions Act, 1934, Irish Land Purchase Fund and Unemployment Fund Accounts be printed.

- The Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill Solicitors Amendments [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the Bill [Lords.] 31st day of January next; and to be printed. Bill 32.

- The House, according to Order, resolved Monument itself into a Committee on the Monument to the Earl of Oxford and Asquith.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That an Address be presented to His Majesty praying that His Majesty will give directions that a Monument be erected within the precincts of the Palace of Westminster to the memory of the late Right Honourable the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, with an inscription expressive of the high sense entertained by this House of the eminent services rendered by him to the Country and Empire in Parliament, and in great Offices of State, and to assure His Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Foreign Policy.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House has no confidence in the Foreign Policy of His Majesty's Government —(Mr. Dalton);

The House divided.

The Yeas were:

Tellers for the "Sir Charles Edwards, Mr. Paling";
Tellers for the "Captain Marpessos, Mr. Furness";

So it passed in the Negative.

Parliamentary Elections (Mr. Speaker's seat.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider what steps, if any, should be taken to ensure that, having due regard to the constitutional rights of the electors, the Speaker, during his continuance in office, shall not be required to take part in a contested parliamentary election.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Sixteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of,—Captain Bullock, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Clynes, Sir George Curthope, Sir Henry Croft, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Lloyd George, Sir Percy Harris, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Lansbury, Mr. McKerrowdale, Captain McEwen, Sir Hugh O'Neill, Mr. Stephen, Mr. Thorne, and Sir Robert Young.

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

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

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.

Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

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

Export Guarantees Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Export Guarantees Bill;

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

Export Guarantees (Money.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Export Guarantees (Money);

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Milk Industry Bill.

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

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

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Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Order made by the Sunday Secretary of State under the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, for extending section 1932, one of that Act to the rural district of Berkhamsted, which was presented on the 24th day of November 1938, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday Secretary of State under the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, for extending section 1932, one of that Act to the borough of Reigate, which was presented on the 24th day of November 1938, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday Secretary of State under the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, for extending section 1932, one of that Act to the borough of Faversham, which was presented on the 24th day of November 1938, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday Secretary of State under the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, for extending section 1932, one of that Act to the rural district of Sevenoaks, which was presented on the 24th day of November 1938, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Bedford District Gas Company, which was presented on the 1st day of December and published, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Dawlish Gas and Coke Company, Limited, which was presented on the 1st day of December and published, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Martock and District Gas Consumers Company, Limited, which was presented on the 1st day of December and published, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Saffron Walden, which was presented on the 1st day of December and published, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of February next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant December, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 31st day of January next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords];

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

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Captain Hope);

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy 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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Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in respect of the Bills comprised in the List reported by the Chairman of Ways and Means as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with in the following cases, viz.:

- Bognor Gas and Electricity
- Bootle Corporation
- City of London (Various Powers)
- Conway Gas
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- Royal Wanstead School
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- Bristol Waterworks
- Colne Valley Water
- Dover Coal Dues (Abolition)
- Exeter Extension
- Jarrow Corporation
- London and North Eastern Railway (Superannuation Fund)
- London Midland and Scottish Railway
- London Passenger Transport Board
- London Rating (Site Values)
- Maryport Harbour
- Newquay and District Water
- North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply
- Saint Nicholas Millbrook (Southampton) Church (Sale)
- Sheffield Corporation
- South Staffordshire Water
- Southern Railway
- Stalybridge Hyde Moseley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board
- Sunderland Corporation
- Tiverton Corporation
- Walsall Corporation
- Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock
- Willenhall Urban District Council

Tuesday, 20th December 1938.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petitions for the following Bills the Standing Orders have been complied with, viz.:

- All Hallows Lombard Street
- Brighton Corporation
Stroud District Water Board, &c.
Tynemouth Corporation.
West Gloucestershire Water.
West Surrey Water.

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

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

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 4th March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th December 1938, under section 4 of the Appropriation Act, 1937, and section 4 of the Appropriation Act, 1938, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year 1937 to meet Deficits on other Air Votes for the same year.

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract Accounts of the Commissioners of Crown Lands, formerly the Commissioners of His Majesty’s Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 7th December 1938, entitled the Street Playgrounds Orders (Procedure) Provisional Regulations, 1938.

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

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The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Scheme for effecting the Union of the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Wolverhampton, Saint Peter, and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Stafford and in the Diocese of Lichfield.

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

Aberdeen Corporation (General Powers) Order Confirmation Bill.

Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Aberdeen Corporation (General Powers) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have been pleased to pass a Bill, intituled An Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.], to amend the law relating to the constitution of marriage in Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Limitation Act (Scotland) Bill [Lords.], to consolidate with amendments certain enactments relating to the limitation of actions and arbitrations; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Census of Act (Scotland) Bill [Lords.], to amend the Census of Production Act, 1906; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection (Standing Committees.) That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Sir Brograve Beauchamp, Mr. Lidderdale, Sir John Mellor, and Mr. Tree; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Lyons, Sir Archibald Southby, Mr. Turton, and Sir William Wayland.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Charles Barrie reported from Standing Committee B: That they had gone through the Charities (Fuel Allotments) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 28th day of April next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from the Scottish Standing Committee on Scottish Bills: That they had gone through the Census of Production Act, 1906; and had amended the Title as followeth:—

A Bill to enable courts of law in Scotland to make orders as to the custody maintenance, and education of and access to minor children under the age of sixteen.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Resolved, That this House do meet on Sittings of Thursday, at Eleven of the clock; that no Questions shall be taken after Twelve of the clock; and that at Five of the clock Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House, without Question put.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being National put, That this House, recognising that the taking of measures to protect the lives and homes of the people at all times transcends in importance all party differences, welcomes the decision of His Majesty’s Government to rely upon the voluntary services of the people, but recommends that the results of the scheme for National Service proposed by the Government be reviewed by this House at the end of March.—(Mr. Ernest Brown):
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Captain Hope, Yeas, Mr. Grimston ; 270.

Tellers for the [Mr. Buchanan, Noes, Mr. Stephen : 9.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Coal (Valuation Procedure) Rules, 1938, a draft of which was presented to this House on the first day of December 1938, be made.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Mr. Robert Hudson reported from the Committee on the Monument to the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that His Majesty will give directions that a Monument be erected within the precincts of the Palace of Westminster to the memory of the late Right Honourable the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, with an inscription expressive of the high sense entertained by this House of the eminent services rendered by him to the Country and Empire in Parliament, and in great Offices of State, and to assure His Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.

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

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

Mr. Robert Hudson reported from the Committee on Export Guarantees [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend the powers of the Board of Trade to give guarantees for the purpose of establishing or encouraging overseas trade, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of expenses to be incurred by the Board of Trade under the said Act in connection with arrangements for giving for the purpose aforesaid guarantees not involving, with the aggregate liability of the Board of Trade under the Export Guarantees Act, 1937, and the enactments repealed by that Act, an aggregate liability at any time of more than seventy-five million pounds, being either—

(i) guarantees in connection with the export of goods (including such guarantees as may be deemed by virtue of the said Act to be such guarantees as aforesaid) not involving in the case of goods other than home-produced goods an aggregate liability at any time of more than seven million five hundred thousand pounds; or

(ii) guarantees in connection with other matters not involving an aggregate liability at any time of more than two million five hundred thousand pounds.

B. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of expenses to be incurred by the Board of Trade under the said Act in connection with arrangements for giving for the purpose aforesaid further guarantees in connection with any matter not involving an aggregate liability at any time of more than ten million pounds, and not involving, in the case of guarantees in connection with any matter other than the export, or an agreement for the export, of home-produced goods (including such guarantees as may be treated by virtue of the said Act as such guarantees as aforesaid), an aggregate liability at any time of more than two million pounds.

C. To provide that in the event of any amount required for fulfilling any guarantee given in pursuance of such arrangements not being paid out of moneys provided by Parliament it shall be charged on, and issued out of, the Consolidated Fund.

D. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by the Board of Trade in connection with any such guarantees.

The said 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 taking into consideration the Prevention of Fraud of Fraud (Investments) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next.
Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Reading Gas Company, which was presented on the 30th day of November and published, be approved. —(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Nantwich Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 1st day of December and published, be approved. —(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Whitstable Gas and Coke Company, Limited, which was presented on the 1st day of December and published, be approved. —(Mr. Cross.)

Ordered, That the Resolution of the House of the 13th day of this instant December, relative to the appointment of a Joint Committee on Breaking up of Streets by Statutory Undertakers, which was ordered to be communicated to the Lords, and so much of the Lords' Message of the 15th day of this instant December as signifies their concurrence in the said Resolution, be now read: —And the same being read;

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Seven Members be appointed to join with a Committee to be appointed by the Lords to consider those sections of the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847, the Waterworks Clauses Act, 1847, the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936, and the Schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act, 1899, which relate to the breaking up of streets for the purpose of laying pipes and other works, and to report what, if any, modifications of those provisions should be made to meet modern conditions with a view to their incorporation in future Bills and Orders promoted by Statutory Undertakers.

Ordered, That leave be given to the Committee to hear parties interested, by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, so far as the Committee think fit.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee. —(Captain Hope.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith, and to request them to appoint an equal number of Lords to be joined with the Committee appointed by this House, and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Committee was nominated of,—Mr. Cape, Mr. Leach, Mr. Magnay, Commander Marades, Mr. Wilfrid Roberts, Sir Louis Smith, and Lieutenant-Commander Tufnell. —(Captain Hope.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next.

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

P R A Y E R S.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 29th day of this instant December, Asquith, relative to the Monument to the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, had been presented to His Majesty: And that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that I will give directions that a Monument be erected within the precincts of the Palace of Westminster to the memory of the late Right Honourable the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, with an inscription expressive of the high sense entertained by the House of Commons of the eminent services rendered by him to the Country and Empire in Parliament, and in great Offices of State, and assuring Me that you will make good the expenses attending the same.

I will gladly give directions for carrying into effect your proposal to do honour to the memory of that illustrious statesman and devoted servant of his Country.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, by His Majesty's Special Areas Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioner for the Special Areas (England and Wales) for the year ended 30th September 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, by His Special Areas Commissioner for the Special Areas (Scotland) for the period 1st September 1937 to 30th September 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, puruant to the directions of an Act of Parliament entitled the Pensions (Governors of Dominions, &c.) Acts, (No. 1) Order, 1938.

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

Import Duties. Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 23rd November 1938, relating to the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 7) Order, 1938.

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 29th October 1938, relating to the Additional Import Duties (No. 10) Order, 1938.

Import Duties. Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 21st December 1938, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 7) Order, 1938.

Import Duties. Copy of Order, dated 21st December 1938, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 10) Order, 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha 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 Orkney, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Central North Durham Joint Planning Scheme.


1. (1) the Shoreditch Borough Council;
2. (2) the Oxford City Council;


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

Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copies of Orders, dated 16th December 1938, entitled—
1. the Sea-Fishing Industry (Immature Sea-Fish) Order, 1938;
2. the Sea-Fishing Industry (Fishing Nets) Order, 1938.

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


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Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee Selection (Standing Committee.) That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A —Commander Tufnell; and had appointed Committee A in substitution : Mr. Porritt.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill) :—Mr. Rostrom Duckworth; and had appointed in substitution : Wing-Commander Wright.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was Marriage read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next; and to be printed.

The Limitation Bill [Lords] was read the Limitation first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next; and to be printed.

The Census of Production Bill [Lords] was Census of read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next; and to be printed.

Mr. Attorney-General, supported by Captain Public Wallace, presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the manner in which the public trustee may deal with certain trust moneys, to confirm the legality of certain dealings by the public trustee with such moneys and to require certain moneys in the hands of the public trustee to be paid into the Exchequer; and urges His Majesty's Government to take for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House is of opinion that Redistribution of Population, an early resumption of the movement of the population within the Empire is most desirable, and urges His Majesty's Government to take every suitable opportunity for considering, in concert with Dominion Governments, all arrangements that may be practicable now and in the future for promoting and encouraging the settlement in the Dominions of people from this country and to indicate its readiness to co-operate fully in approved schemes.—(Mr. Crowder.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Mid-Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, road transport is an essential feature of modern industrial life, that better roads for its accommodation are urgently necessary, and that the policy of His Majesty's Government should be directed to its encouragement and development without unnecessary restriction, so that it may take its proper place in the transport system of the country.—[Mr. Higgs.] The Question was amended, in l. 7, by leaving out the words “ without unnecessary restriction,” and inserting the words “ in co-ordination with other forms of transport,”—[Mr. Simpson], instead thereof.

And the Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, road transport is an essential feature of modern industrial life, that better roads for its accommodation are urgently necessary, and that the policy of His Majesty's Government should be directed to its encouragement and development in co-ordination with other forms of transport so that it may take its proper place in the transport system of the country.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Custody of Children (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill (Lords);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 31st day of January next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the 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 this House do now adjourn.—[Captain Hope.]

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

5. Paisley Corporation (Cart Navigatio) Order Confirmation Act, 1938.
6. Aberdeen Corporation (General Powers) Order Confirmation Act, 1938.
8. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Mid-Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Act, 1938.

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Tuesday, 31st January 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the deaths of—

Major the Right Honourable John Waller Hills, late Member for the County of York (West Riding) (Ripon Division);
Sir Samuel Servington Savery, late Member for the County of York (East Riding) (Holderness Division);
Willie Brooke, Esquire, late Member for the Borough of Batley and Morley;

and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with their relatives.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had issued, during the Adjournment, Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the—

County of Norfolk (Eastern Division),
in the room of William Lygon, Esquire, commonly called Viscount Emsley, called up to the House of Peers.
County of York (East Riding) (Holderness Division), in the room of Sir Samuel Servington Savery, deceased.

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

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill.

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

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty’s Command during the Christmas Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 93:

Copy of Supplementary Convention between Iceland and His Majesty respecting the United Kingdom and His Majesty the King of Iceland and Denmark for the amendment of the Extradition Treaty of 31st March 1873. London, 25th October 1938. [The Convention has not been ratified by His Majesty.]

Copy of Report on the Administration, Sudan Finances, and Condition of the Sudan in 1937. (No. 1, 1938.)

Copy of Agreement between His Majesty’s Treaty Series Government in the United Kingdom and the Polish Government providing for the Limitation of Naval Armament and the Exchange of
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Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 13th December 1938, entitled the White Fish Industry (Registration Fees) Order, 1938.


Copies of Regulations dated—

(1) 15th December 1938, entitled the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) (Beef) Regulations, 1938;
(2) 21st December 1938, entitled the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) (Cauliflower and Broccoli) Regulations, 1939.

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

Major Tryon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Bank Amendment (No. 1) Regulations, 1939.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood also presented, by Empires Air Mail Scheme, copy of Notes exchanged between His Majesty's Government and the French Government of the Czecho-Slovak Republic and the Government of Siam regarding the Right of Evocation from Siamese Courts under the Treaty of 14th July 1925. Bangkok, 23rd November 1937.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by H.M. Department of Air and Imperial Airways, Limited, respecting the continued operation of a civil air transport service between Kisumu and Lusaka.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, the (No. 9, 1939) "Reprint of "Canadian-American" World War I Agreements recording an Agreement relating to Imperial Airways, Limited, respecting the continued operation of a civil air transport service between Kisumu and Lusaka.

Copy of Agreements between His Majesty's Government and the United States of America recording an Agreement relating to Naval Armament, London, 22nd July 1938.

Copy of Notes exchanged between the Governments of Canada and the United States of America recording an Agreement relating to Naval Armament, London, 22nd July 1938.

Copy of Notes exchanged between the Governments of France and the United States of America recording an Agreement relating to Naval Armament, Paris, 27 January 1939.

Copy of Notes exchanged between the Governments of the United Kingdom and Italy bringing into force the Protocol of 16th April 1938, and Annexed Agreements and Declarations. [With Notes exchanged with the Egyptian Government regarding Lake Tsana and the Suez Canal.] Rome, 16th November 1938.


Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 8th December 1938, relating to the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 17) Order, 1938.

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 8th December 1938, relating to the Additional Import Duties (No. 11) Order, 1938.

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 16th December 1938, relating to the Import Duties (Substitution) (No. 1) Order, 1939.

Copy of Accounts of the Irish Sailors and Soldiers Land Trust for the year ended 31st March 1938.

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on Compensation for Card Room Workers.

Copy of Statistical Summary of Output, and of Costs of Production, Proceeds and Profits of the Coal Mining Industry for the quarter ended 30th September 1938.

Copy of Schedule of Reserved Occupations (Provisional), relative to National Service.

Copy of Return of Rents of Houses owned by Local Authorities (Scotland). Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Information concerning Naval Construction. [With Protocol of Signature and Notes exchanged.] London, 27th April 1938. [Ratifications exchanged at London on 22nd November 1938.]

Copy of Protocol modifying the Anglo-Polish Agreement of 27th April 1938 for the Limitation of Naval Armament. London, 22nd July 1938.


Copy of Notes exchanged between His Majesty's Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Siam regarding the Right of Evocation from Siamese Courts under the Treaty of 14th July 1925. Bangkok, 23rd November 1937.


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County of Cumberland for the parish of Millom;
County of Durham for the rural district of Sedgefield;
Urban district of Enfield;
City of Plymouth;
Borough of Pudsey.

Pharmacy and Poisons Acts.

Copy of Order, dated 15th December 1938, entitled the Poisons List (Amendment) Order, 1938.

Pharmacy and Poisons Acts.

Copy of Rules, dated 15th December 1938, entitled the Poisons (Amendment) Rules, 1938.

Factories Act, 1937.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st December 1938, entitled the Glass Bottles and Jars (Overtime) Regulations, 1938.

Supreme Court (Northern Ireland).

Copy of Rules, dated 12th January 1939, altering certain Rules of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland.

Bankruptcy (Northern Ireland).

Copy of Return of the Official Assignee in Bankruptcy of the King's Bench Division, Northern Ireland, for 1938.

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

Housing (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary Cavello presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Copies of Regulations, dated 11th January 1939, entitled the Housing (Scotland) Acts (Forms of Charging Orders) Regulations 1939.

Nursing Homes Registration (Scotland) Act, 1938.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th December 1938, entitled the Nursing Homes Registration Regulations (Scotland), 1938.

Contributory Pensions (Scotland).

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th December 1938, entitled the Contributory Pensions (References) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1938.

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

Contributory Pensions.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 8th December 1938, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Modification of Old Age Pensions) Regulations, 1938;
(2) 8th December 1938, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Voluntary Contributors) Amendment Regulations, 1938;
(3) 22nd December 1938, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Northern Ireland Reciprocal Arrangements) Regulations, 1938;
(4) 3rd January 1939, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Determination of Income) Amendment Regulations, 1939;
(5) 16th January 1939, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Special Voluntary Contributors) Regulations, 1939.

Contributory Pensions.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 17th January 1939, entitled the Contributory Pensions (References) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

National Health Insurance.

Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 14th December 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Juvenile Deposit Contributors) Regulations, 1938;
(2) 22nd December 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations (No. 2), 1938;
(3) 29th December 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Regulations, 1938;
(4) 31st December 1938, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors Insurance Section) Regulations, 1938.

Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by—

(1) the Richmond (Surrey) Borough Council;
(2) the St. Marylebone Borough Council;
(3) the Bermondsey Borough Council;
(4) the West Ham County Borough Council;
(5) the Hackney Borough Council.

Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Country Planning (No. 2) Planning Scheme, 1932.


Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 10th Census Act, January 1939, entitled the Census General 1939 Regulations, 1939.

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

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the Air directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 20th December 1938, entitled—

(1) the Air Navigation (Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1938;
(2) the Air Navigation (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1938.


December 1938, entitled—

(1) the Swaziland (Privy Council Appeals) Order, 1938;
(2) the Bechuanaland Protectorate (Privy Council Appeals) Order, 1938;
(3) the Aden Protectorate (Application of Acts) Order, 1938.

Copies of five Orders in Council, dated 4th November and 20th December 1938, approving the Admiralty Memorials under the Naval and Military Pensions Act, 1865.

Copy of Statute made by the University of Oxford, on 18th October 1938, amending an existing Statute of the University.

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 65) (Bexley) Regulations, 1938;
Copy of Special Order made under the Electricity (Supply) Acts in respect of the county of Surrey for the suspension of powers of purchase of the Undertaking and for other purposes.

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

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of List of exceptions to the Army Regulations as to Pay, Non-Effective Pay and Allowances.

Copy of Notice by the Army Council, cancelling the Regulations made on 29th September 1938, regarding the prices to be paid for billeting in emergency under the Army Act.

Copy of Amendments to Royal Warrant for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion, and Non-Effective Pay of the Army, 1931.

Copy of Amendments to Regulations for Supplementary Reserve, 1933, and Financial Instructions, 1931.


Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1936.

Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council for the Establishment and Constitution of an Association for the county of Berks, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army Association for the county of Berks, for the Establishment and Constitution of an Association for the county of Berks, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army Act, 1936.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order dated 4th January 1939, made under the Livestock Industry Act, 1937, entitled the Sheep, Mutton and Lamb (Import Regulation) Order, 1939.

Accounts of the Gas Fund for the year ended 31st March 1938.

Copy of Order, dated 4th January 1939, entitled the Ottawa Agreements (Importation of Meat) Amendment Order, 1939.

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

Captain Wallace, Second Class Clerk, Chancery Chambers of the Supreme Court of Judicature, under Section 2 of the Superannuation Act, 1887.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 11th January 1939, authorising the temporary application of surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year 1937 to meet the deficits on other Navy Votes for the same year.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 14th January 1939, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year 1937 to meet Deficits on other Army Votes for the same year.

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to Currency and the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Bank Notes Act, 1928.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 6th January 1939, under the Currency and Bank Notes Act, 1928, relative to the fiduciary note issue.

Copy of Order, dated 29th December 1938, Import Duties made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Substitution) (No. 1) Order, 1932.

Copy of Order, dated 29th December 1938, Import Duties made under the Finance Act, 1932, entitled (Finance (Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 17) Order, 1938.

Copy of Order, dated 16th January 1939, Import Duties made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled (Import Duties (Substitution) (No. 1) Order, 1932.

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Navy Services for the year ended 31st March 1938, showing the surpluses and deficits upon the Grants, and certain Production Accounts, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Navy Accounts.

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Army Services for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Army Accounts.

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Air Services for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Air Services Accounts.


Abstract Account of Receipts into, and Development Funds out of the Colonial Development Fund in the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Abstract Account showing the Issues made Consolidated from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom in the financial year ended 31st March 1938, for the Interest and Management of the Debt, for the Civil List, and all other Issues in the financial year for services charged directly on the said Fund, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
Income Tax Act, 1918.

Trade Acts.

40"1935" of Burma Government Adjournment.

sworn.

New Members sworn.

Trade Boards Acts.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th December 1938, entitled the Trade Boards (Button Manufacturing Trade, Great Britain) (Constitution and Proceedings) Regulations, 1938.

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

Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Rules, dated 16th January 1939, entitled—
(1) the Reserved Posts (Burma Civil Service, Class I) Rules, 1939;
(2) the Reserved Posts (Burma Police, Class I) Rules, 1939;
(3) the Burma Reserved Posts (Other Services) Rules, 1939.

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

Mr. William McNair Snadden, Esquire, Member for the County of Norfolk (Eastern Division), was sworn.

Frank Medlicott, Esquire, Member for the County of Perth and Kinross (Kinross Western Division), was sworn.

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—
(Captain Margesson):
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Captain Hope, Colonel Kerr) 258.
Tellers for the (Mr. Mathers, Mr. Adamson) 133.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

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

T HE Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the county borough of Blackburn: And the same was read the first time.

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

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the borough of Hastings: And the same was read the first time.

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

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the borough of Leyton: And the same was read the first time.

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

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the borough of Luton: And the same was read the first time.

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

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Extension) Bill.

Bill 64.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hastings) Bill.

Bill 63.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill.

Bill 62.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Norwich) Bill.

Bill 65.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Extension) Bill.

Bill 64.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hastings) Bill.

Bill 63.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Norwich) Bill.

Bill 62.
Mr. Attorney-General presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee on the responsibility for the repair of premises damaged by hostilities.

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 for the alteration of Coroners' Districts in the county of Wilts.

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

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Greek Loan of 1832 up to 31st December 1938.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each month during the year 1939.—(Mr. Stanley.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Statement showing the Gross and Net Total Cost of the Civil and Revenue Departments and the Navy, Army and Air Services, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1938.—(Captain Wallace.)

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Bartlett, Mr. Bellenger, and Mr. Thomas; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Harvey, Mr. Messer, and Sir Thomas Moore.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Criminal Justice Bill):—Mr. Kelly; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Silkin.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That Mr. Snudden, being a Member representing a Scottish constituency, is added to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills under Standing Order No. 47 (2).

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Captain Wallace, presented a Bill to amend the law with respect to the Issue Department of the Bank of England, the Exchange Equalisation Account and the issue and place of payment of Bank of England notes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next: and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, being of the opinion that the existing inequalities in the burden of public assistance, due to exceptional distress in some areas and comparative prosperity in others, constitute an anomaly calling for redress, this House would welcome a measure to spread the burden more equally over the whole country.—(Mr. Stephen Davies);

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 welcomes the efforts of His Majesty's Government to spread the burden of local taxation more equally over the whole country, especially by means of the re-allocation of the block grant, to the advantage of the more necessitous areas,"—(Sir Gifford Fox), 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.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

And it being after half-past Seven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Condition of proposed, That this House recognises the helpfulness of Government policy as applied to some branches of agriculture and urges that, in the general national interest and as part of the national defence, there should be an extended use of the principle, where appropriate, of assuring such a level of remuneration to producers as will cover the costs of efficient production, including improved wages and conditions for agricultural workers, and also of the method of regulating imports as agreed upon by the Empire Producers' Conference at Sydney—(Sir Percy Hard);
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 Prevention into consideration the Prevention of Fraud of Fraud (Investments) 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 Export Guarantees Bill; without further Debate the Question proposed:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Milk Industry Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Milk Second Reading of the Milk Industry Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Census of Second Reading of the Census of Production Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Export Guarantees Bill,

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Fraud of Fraud (Investments) 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 Export Guarantees Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation of Plumage (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation of Plumage (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Act (1929) 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 Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

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

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

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Charles Barrie Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Hall-marking of Foreign Plate Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy,
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[No. 36.]

Thursday, 2nd February 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

ORDRED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of York (West Riding) (Ripon Division) Writ.

A Bill to confer upon the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and other persons with reference to the churchyards appurtenant to the Church of All Hallows Lombard Street in the City of London; to provide for the extinguishment of rights of way and other rights over or in respect of certain lands; to empower the said Commissioners to sell the said lands; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Bristol Waterworks Company to construct new works and to raise additional capital; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Colne Valley Water Company to construct new works and to raise additional capital; to extend the limits of supply of the Company; to make better provision with respect to the repair and maintenance of communication pipes; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to abolish certain duties on coals imported and brought into and landed or delivered within the Town and Port of Dover; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the boundaries of the city and county of the city of Exeter; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to enlarge the powers of the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Jarrow with respect to the acquisition development and disposal of lands; to make further and better provision for the economic development and improvement of the Borough; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to establish a Superannuation Fund for certain of the staff of the London and North Eastern Railway Company; to provide that payments thereout shall not be assignable or chargeable; to provide for winding up the affairs of Thompson McKay and Company Limited; 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 London Scottish Railway Company to acquire lands; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the London Passenger Transport Board to provide certain services of trolley vehicles; to construct new works; to acquire lands; and to raise additional moneys; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands and the completion of certain works; to confer further powers on the Board including powers as to the running of public service vehicles; 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 rating of the annual site value of land in the administrative county of London; and for purposes connected therewith, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to make provision in regard to the Maryport Harbour Bill. for the Harbour finances of the Commissioners for the Harbour of Maryport; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Newquay and District Water Company to construct further works; to confer further powers upon the Company; to cancel the notice given by the Company to the Wadebridge Rural District Council in pursuance of section 40 of the Wadebridge Rural District Council Act 1937 and to repeal the said section; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers on, and to North change the name of, the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company; 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 pulling down of the Saint Nicholas Millbrook in the Church of Saint Nicholas Millbrook in the County Borough of Southampton for the sale of the same and the site and churchyard thereof and the use of such site and churchyard for building or otherwise; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Lord Mayor Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Sheffield to construct street improvements and water works to provide accommodation for public service and other vehicles and to acquire lands for these and other purposes; to use compulsorily certain lands; to confer further powers upon the Corporation with regard to their waterworks undertaking; to make provision for the protection of the gathering grounds of their waterworks undertaking; to enact provisions with respect to the licensing and insurance of
window cleaners; to amend the Rating and Valuation Act 1925; to make further provision with regard to the health improvement local government and finance of the City; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the South Staffordshire Waterworks Company to construct new works; to raise additional capital; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Southern Railway Company to construct works and to acquire lands; to extend the time for the completion of a railway and the compulsory purchase of certain lands; to confer further powers on the Company; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Stalybridge Hyde Mosley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board to acquire by agreement from the Urban Electric Supply Company Limited the undertaking authorised by the Glossop Corporation Electric Lighting Order 1899; to enter into agreements with the Central Electricity Board in regard to the terms and conditions applicable to the supply of electricity to the undertaking after its acquisition by the Board; to extend the area of supply of electricity of the Board; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Sunderland to appropriate the open space known as the West Park to the purposes of a civic centre and to construct upon the West Park and lands adjacent thereto a town hall and municipal and other buildings and to acquire lands compulsorily for those purposes; to authorise the abolition of the Corporation's market at High Street-East and to appropriate the site thereof for other purposes; to make further provision with regard to the health and good government of the borough; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Tiverton to construct waterworks; to confer further powers upon them with respect to their water undertaking; to make further and better provision with respect to the health local government improvement and finance 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 authorise the purchase of lands by the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Walsall; to vest in them the common known as 'Delves Green'; and to make further provision with regard to their electricity gas and other undertakings and the health local government and improvement of the borough and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers on the River Wear Commissioners and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to make further and better provision for the improvement health and local government of the Urban District of Willenhall; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hollis presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts, by the Council of the undermentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Leigh.

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

Earl Winterston presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of the Privy Council for Medical Research and Report of the Medical Research Council for 1937–38.

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

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Accounts and Balance sheets of Trading and Commercial Services conducted by Government Departments in 1937, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of all sums received and paid during the year ended 20th November 1938, with Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies on 20th November 1938, and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to meet those Liabilities at that date.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Trading Accounts and Balance sheets be printed.

Mr. Stanley presented,—Return to an Order for a Table; and be printed.

Mr. Stanley also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for the year ended 31st March 1938.

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

Colonel Gretton from the Committee for the Selection of Members from Standing Committees:—That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Captain Cazalet, Mr. Kimball, and Lord Willoughby de Eresby; and had appointed in substitution:—Sir Francis Fremantle, Mr. Spens, and Miss Ward.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee:—That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Sir Richard Mellor; and had appointed in substitution:—Mr. Emmott.
Standing Committee B.
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill)—Mr. Bernays, Mr. Butcher, Brigadier-General Clifton Brown, Commander Fletcher, Captain Heidgers, Colonel Henage, Mr. Creech Jones, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Mander, Mr. Noel-Baker, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Price, Mr. Solicitor-General, Mr. Henry Strauss, and Colonel Windsor-Clive.

Standing Committee B.
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Hall-marking of Foreign Plate Bill)—Mr. Bull, Sir John Smalley Crooke, Commander Fletcher, Mr. Grant-Ferris, Sir Patrick Hannon, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Creech Jones, Sir John Mellor, Mr. Price, and Captain Wallace.

Standing Committee B.
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Mr. Emmott; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Richard Miller.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Census of Production Bill [Lords.]
The Census of Production Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 9 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

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

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the recommendations of the Departmental Committee on Pensions for Members of the House of Commons and is in favour of the initiation of legislation to carry out its proposals which impose no charge upon the taxpayer.—(Sir Archibald Southby),—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 Sir Assheton Pownall: 204.
Yeas, Sir Francis Fremantle: 103.

Tellers for the Sir Archibald Southby: 103.
Noes, Sir George Davies: 204.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House approves the recommendations of the Departmental Committee on Pensions for Members of the House of Commons and is in favour of the initiation of legislation to carry out its proposals which impose no charge upon the taxpayer.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty representing, that the House of Commons is in favour of the initiation of legislation to carry out its proposals which impose no charge upon the taxpayer.

Resolved, That this House approves the recommendations of the Departmental Committee on Pensions for Members of the House of Commons and is in favour of the initiation of legislation to carry out its proposals which impose no charge upon the taxpayer.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty representing, that the House of Commons is in favour of the initiation of legislation to carry out its proposals which impose no charge upon the taxpayer.

The Limitation Bill [Lords] was, according Limitation to Order, read a second time, and committed Bill [Lords.]
to a Standing Committee.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Crime Bill.
Committee on the Crime Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill, as amended in the Standing Bill Committee;

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

not to increase old age pensions, declines to consider a scheme of pensions for itself derived indirectly from public funds,'—(Sir Archibald Southby),—instead thereof.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Milk Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit 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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Captain Hope);
And it being Eleven of the 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 Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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

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

[No. 37.]
Friday, 3rd February 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

Cotton Industry.

Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Proposals for Legislation on the Reorganisation of the Cotton Industry.
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:

Land Fertility (Research) Fund. No. 44.
Copy of Account of the Land Fertility (Research) Fund for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.


Copy of all Applications made by the First Lord of the Treasury or the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England for advances to Government authorised by Parliament, from 6th January 1938 to 5th January 1939, and the answers of the said Court thereto.

Copy of Annual Accounts of Exchequer Bills Bank of England and other Government Securities purchased, and amount of balances of Sums issued for the payment of Dividends, &c., for the year ended 5th January 1939.
Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Land Fertility (Research) Fund be printed.

The Charitable Collections (Regulation) 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 Law of Libel (Amendment) 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. Sukin.)
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 again proposed: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill;
And it being Four of the clock, further Proceeding stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of March 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.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

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Mr. Shakespeare presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Particulars of the Vessels of Fleets of the British Commonwealth of Nations, Japan, France, Italy, and Germany on 1st February 1939, and of the United States of America on 15th December 1938.

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

MR. BULLER presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Supplementary List of Ratifications, Accessions, Withdrawals, &c., 1938. [In continuation of "Treaty Series (No. 50, 1937")].

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Copy of Index to Treaty Series, 1938.
Copy of Convention concerning the Status of Refugees coming from Germany, Geneva, 10th February 1938. [His Majesty’s ratification in respect of the United Kingdom was deposited at Geneva on 26th September 1938.]

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of—
(1) the Ross Gas Company, Limited;
(2) the Cardiff Gas Light and Coke Company;
(3) the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Chelmsford.

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

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of the further sum required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1939.

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1855 for the period to 31st December 1938.

Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Accountant-General of the Supreme Court in respect of the Funds of Suitors of the Court in the year ended 28th February 1938, also Statement of the Liability of the Consolidated Fund, also Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same period in respect of Funds held by them on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1932.—Copies of Orders, dated 29th January 1939, entitled—
(1) the Wheat (Anticipated Supply) No. 1 Order, 1939;
(2) the Wheat (Quota Payments) No. 1 Order, 1939.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, entitled—
(1) the Beckenham Borough Council;
(2) the Newcastle-upon-Tyne City Council;
(3) the Croydon County Borough Council;
(4) the West Riding (Local Authorities) Superannuation Joint Committee;
(5) the Middlesex Local Authorities Superannuation Joint Committee;
(6) the Wandsworth Borough Council;
(7) the Paddington Borough Council;
(8) the Finsbury Borough Council;
(9) the Lewes and District Superannuation Joint Committee.

Copies of Orders, dated 21st January 1939, made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, entitled—
(1) the Local Government Superannuation (Sum in lieu of Transfer Value) Regulations, 1939;
(2) the Local Government Superannuation (Additional Contributory Payment) Regulations, 1939;
(3) the Local Government Superannuation (Reckoning of Service on Transfer) Regulations, 1939;
(4) the Local Government Superannuation (Mental Hospital, &c., Employment) Regulations, 1939;
(5) the Local Government Superannuation (Service of Registration Officers) Regulations, 1939;
(6) the Local Government Superannuation (Reduction and Adjustment of Superannuation Allowance) Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Order, entitled the County of York Local Government (West Riding) Review (Amendment) Order, 1939.

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:—

Copies of Rules, dated—
(1) 22nd December 1938, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Criminal Proceedings), 1928;
(2) 22nd December 1938, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Divisional Courts), 1938;
(3) 23rd December 1938, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (No. 2), 1938.

Account of the Transactions of the Accountant-General of the Supreme Court under the County Courts Funds Rules for 1937, and Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same year in respect of Funds held by them on behalf of the County Court Funds Investment Account, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

The Export Guarantees 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.

Ordering, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to a Standing Committee.

The Currency and Bank Notes 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.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker).

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 Czecho-Slovakia (Financial Assistance) 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 Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cancer Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) 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 Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage of the Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill Bill [Lords];

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

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Major Herbert.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes before Seven 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. 39.]

Tuesday, 7th February 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

THE All Hallows Lombard Street Bill was Al read a second time, and committed,

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

The Colne Valley Water Bill was read a Colne Valley second time, and referred to the Examiners of Water Petitions for Private Bills.

The Dover Coal Dues (Abolition) Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Exeter Extension Bill was read a second time, and committed.

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

Ordered, That the London and North Eastern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the London Midland and Scottish Railway Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
Ordered, That the London Passenger Transport Board Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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

The Newquay and District Water Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Saint Nicholas Millbrook (Southampton) Church (Sale) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The South Staffordshire Water Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

Ordered, That the Stalybridge Hyde Mossley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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

Ordered, That the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Coleille presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Local Government Superannuation Joint Committee of the University; (1) by the University of Oxford, on 18th October 1938, amending an existing Statute of the University; (2) by the Governing Body of Trinity College, Cambridge, on 12th November 1938, amending existing Statutes of the College.

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

Mr. Bargin presented, pursuant to the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Amendment) Regulations dated—

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


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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Housing directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Acts.

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

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, Act, 1932, to the urban district of Hornchurch.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, Act, 1932, to the rural district of Dartford.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, Act, 1932, to the borough of Chepping Wycombe.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, Act, 1932, to the Stourbridge area.
Six Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Report by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of his proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Acts, 1861 to 1915.

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

Major Milner reported from Standing Committee C: That they had gone through the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

The order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cancer Bill:

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

The order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill:

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

The order of the day being read, for the Pensions Acts Amendment Bill:

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

The order of the day being read, for the Industry (Amendment) Bill:

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

The order of the day being read, for the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill:

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

The order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords]:

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

And, it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
Ordered, That leave be given, to bring in a Bill to prohibit misleading stamping or stencilling of manufactured goods, and that Sir Nairne Stewart Sandeman, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Cory, Sir Cyril Enniscott, Sir John Shute, Mr. Eckersley and Mr. Graham White do prepare and bring it in.

Sir Nairne Stewart Sandeman accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit misleading stamping or stencilling of manufactured goods: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House, recognising the Inshore Fishermen's great importance to the nation of the inshore fishing industry which supplies the population with an essential part of its food and the Royal and Merchant Navies with men whose unique character and experience are invaluable to the country both in peace and war, urges His Majesty's Government to take every practicable measure to preserve this industry from the extinction with which it is threatened.—(Major Neven-Spence.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, while welcoming the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the many problems connected with workmen's compensation, this House is of opinion that the urgent necessity for an immediate increase in the amount of compensation payable is already abundantly clear and should be enacted without delay—(Mr. Arthur Henderson);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "House," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "relies on the Commission to proceed with its work as quickly as possible and, when their inquiry has sufficiently advanced, to consider the issue of an Interim Report on the more urgent questions, including the rates of compensation,"—(Sir Arnold Wilson)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Dunn; Mr. Higgs.

Tellers for the Nos, Sir Nairne Stewart Sandeman accordingly.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

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

Ways and Means.

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

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

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

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

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Mr. Gordon Macdonald Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Census of Production Bill [Lords] and the Limitation Bill [Lords].

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker.
8th February 1939.

[No. 41.]

Thursday, 9th February 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

High Court of Justice (King’s Bench Division.)

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, that their Address of the 2nd day of this instant February, relative to the High Court of Justice (King’s Bench Division), had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that, in pursuance of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act, 1925, two Judges may be appointed to the High Court of Justice to fill vacancies in the King’s Bench Division thereof, and I will issue directions in accordance with your desire.

The Title of the London Rating (Site Values) Bill, which was set down for Second Reading, being read;

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the provisions of the Bill which, in his opinion, raised questions of public policy of great importance and affected interests of vast magnitude which were more than local, and stated that the Bill ought to be introduced as a Public Bill and could not be allowed to proceed as a Private Bill.

Whereupon the Order for Second Reading was discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the Electricity Act directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of (Supply) Acts. Special Order made under the Electricity Act, in respect of the parish of Ivybridge, in the rural district of Plympton St. Mary, in the county of Devon.

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

Secretary Sir Thomas Isakip presented, by Beef Imports. His Majesty’s Command—Copy of Correspondence with Governments of the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand and Eire, concerning the regulation of Beef Imports into the United Kingdom.

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

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection of Standing Committee B (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill)—Colonel Actland-Troyte, Sir Murdoch Macdonald, Mr. McKie, Mr. Maclean, Mr. Malcolm MacMillan, Mr. MacNeill Weir, Lord William Scott, Sir Robert Smith, Mr. Snaddon, and Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Census of Production Bill [Lords])—Colonel Baldwin-Webb, Mr. Trevor Cox, Mr. Cross, Mr. Edwards, Sir Arnold Gridley, Sir John Haslam, Mr. Hepkinson, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Marshall, and Sir Arnold Wilson.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Limitation Bill [Lords])—Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Bernays, Mr. Butcher, Sir Geoffrey Ellis, Mr. Emrys-Evans, Mr. Foot, Mr. Greville, Mr. Macquisten, Mr. Marshall, Sir David Reid, Mr. Silverman, Mr. Solicitor-General, Mr. Henry Strauss, Mr. Tinker, and Mr. Charles Williams.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved Currency and itself into a Committee on the Currency and Bank Notes Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Valuations of Assets of Issue Department).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, at the end, to insert the words ‘and accordingly at the end of subsection (3) of section twenty-four of the Finance Act, 1932, there shall be inserted the words ‘and may cause any funds in the account to be transferred to the Issue Department of the Bank of England for the purpose of counteracting any difference between the assets of the Issue Department and the total number of Bank of England notes’.”—(Mr. Mabane.)
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 and No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Short Title, commencement and repeal).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 15, at the end, to add the words,—

"(4) The enactment set out in the Second Schedule to this Act is hereby amended to the extent mentioned in the third column of that Schedule."—(Mr. Mabane.)

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

Clause agreed to.

A Clause (Alteration of rate at which bank may requisition gold).—(Colonel Nathan), brought up, and read the first time.

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

Another Clause (Addition to s. 11 (2) of Currency and Bank Notes Act, 1928).—(Colonel Nathan), brought up, and read the first time.

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

Schedule agreed to.

Bill 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 Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment. 

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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.
Resolved, That the Import Duties (Substitution) (No. 1) Order, 1939, dated the sixteenth day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, made by the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932, a copy of which was presented to this House on the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.

—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the Additional Import Duties (No. 1) Order, 1938, dated the twenty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, made by the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932, a copy of which was presented to this House on the said twenty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the Additional Import Duties (No. 10) Order, 1938, dated the twenty-ninth day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, made by the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932, a copy of which was presented to this House on the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit 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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

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

Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Major Herbert.)

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

Friday, 10th February 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant Census Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1929.

—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th February 1939, entitled the Census (Scotland) General Regulations, 1939.

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:—

Accounts of the Treasury Pensions Account, Widows', Pensions Account, and the Pensions (Scotland) Account, established pursuant to the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1936, showing the receipts and payments for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of the National Health Insurance Funds (English, Welsh and Scottish) established pursuant to the National Health Insurance Act, 1936, and of Funds under Accounts, pursuant to the Control of the Joint Committee for 1937, No. 52, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

The Marriage Bill was, according to Order, Marriage Bill, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consumers' Council Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House recognises the value to the consumers of the inquiries made from time to time by the Food Council with the co-operation of traders, takes note that powers to obtain information in regard to the commodities described in the Bill are already available should they be necessary under the Tribunals of Enquiry (Evidence) Act, 1921, and declines to give a Second
Reading to a Bill which would jeopardize the good relations between the Food Council and the traders and set up a cumbersome, dilatory and rigid system for dealing with commodities difficult to define and constantly fluctuating in costs, supply and demand, "—(Mr. Donner),—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, {Mr. Marshall : } 81,
Tellers for the Nays, {Mr. Grant-Ferris : } 138,

So it passed in the Negative.

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

And, it being after Four 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 10th day of December last, That the Contraceptives (Regulation) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 3rd day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) 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 Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill (Lords);

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 Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then nine minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

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

PRAYERS.

THE London and North Eastern Railway London and North Eastern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills,

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

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

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

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the Piers and directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Minister of Transport of his proceedings for Session 1938–39 under the General Pier and Harbour Acts.


(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 11) (Watford Road, Wembley) Regulations, 1939;

(2) the London Traffic (Stone Street and Windmill Street, Gravesend) Regulations, 1939,

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

Mr. Secretary Hare-Belisha presented, by Army His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Army Votes for the year ending 31st March 1939.

Mr. Secretary Hare-Belisha presented, by Army His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Army Votes for the year ending 31st March 1939.

Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Army (Royal Ordnance Factories) (Supplementary Estimates) (Royal Ordnance Factories) (Supplementary Estimates) for the year ending 31st March 1939.

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

No. 54.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty’s Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged re: (No. 10, 1939) according an arrangement between Canada and the Netherlands East Indies for the prevention Treaty Series of Double Taxation of Income. Ottawa, 2nd April 1938.

Copy of Notes exchanged between His Treaty Series Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom (No. 11, 1929) and the Governments of the Argentine Republic, Brazil, and Uruguay, regarding the Regulation of Beef Imports into the United Kingdom. London, 28th June 1937, 15th December 1937, and 6th January 1939.

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Copy of Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Danish Government modifying the Commercial Agreement of 24th April 1933. [With Notes exchanged.] London, 21st December 1938. [The Agreement has not been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.]

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

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended 21st December 1938, also a separate Account of the Capital of the Duchy to the same date.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by the Newport County Borough Council.

Copy of Order, dated 24th January 1939, entitled the Yorkshire Casual Poor Assistance Authority (Amendment) Order, 1939.

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:

Account of the Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt at 31st December 1938 as investments for moneys forming part of (a) the National Health Insurance Funds for England, Wales, and Scotland, respectively; (b) the Central Fund; and (c) the Unemployment Arrears Fund, paid over to them under the National Health Insurance Act, 1936.

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);

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Duty of local authorities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the second word "the," to insert the words "investigation and." —(Sir Henry Morris-Jones.)

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

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, at the end, to insert the words "a National Council representing physicians, surgeons, radiologists, pathologists, and bio-chemists, to be set up under this Act."—(Mr. Graham White.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 31, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(6) Nothing in the arrangements or alteration or extension of arrangements made or approved under this section shall impose an obligation upon a council to—

(a) make any payments to the governing body of any voluntary hospital in respect of the diagnosis or treatment of cancer in that hospital; or

(b) defray any expenses in relation to any person resident outside the area of the council."

—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Financial provisions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, to leave out the words "all councils," and insert the words "the council."—(Mr. Silkin.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 3, No. 4, and No. 5 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 6 agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Application to Scotland).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 32, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Hunter.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 41, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided—

(i) that the said expenses shall not exceed the produce of a rate of one halfpenny in the pound for any year levied in any area, and

(ii) it shall be the duty of the county or town council to recover from any person to whom they have provided services under section one of this Act or from any person legally liable to maintain that person a reasonable charge in respect of the expenses incurred by the council in the provision of the said services, or if the council are satisfied that the person from whom such charge is recoverable is unable, by reason of circumstances other than his own default, to pay the whole of such charge, such part thereof, if any, as he is, in the opinion of the council, able to pay."

—(Mr. Hunter.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 8 amended, and agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill 68.  
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Captain Wallace reported from the Committee on Czecho-Slovakia (Financial Assistance) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to authorise the Treasury to repay to the National Bank of Czecho-Slovakia together with interest thereon at the rate of one per cent. per annum, and to enable effect to be given to two agreements copies whereof were laid before this House on the thirty-first day of January nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, namely,

(a) an agreement (in this Resolution referred to as “the first agreement”) made between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Czecho-Slovak Republic; and

(b) an agreement (in this Resolution referred to as “the second agreement”) made between His Majesty’s said Government, the Government of the French Republic and the Government of the Czecho-Slovak Republic;

it is expedient to authorise—

(i) the repayment to the Bank of England out of the Consolidated Fund of sums amounting to ten million pounds advanced by that Bank to the National Bank of Czecho-Slovakia together with interest thereon at the rate of one per cent. per annum;

(ii) the raising of money and the creation and issue of securities in connection with the repayment aforesaid, so that any such securities shall be deemed for all purposes to have been created and issued under subsection (1) of section one of the War Loan Act, 1919;

(iii) the release of the Government of the Czecho-Slovak Republic from any liability under Article one of the first agreement in respect of the sum of four million pounds;

(iv) the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling a guarantee given by them in pursuance of the second agreement in respect of a loan to be raised by the Government of the Czecho-Slovak Republic, and the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by way of repayment of any sums so issued;

(v) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received in pursuance of Article three of the first agreement, and the application of any sums so paid into the Exchequer in redeeming or paying off debt.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Czecho-Slovakia (Financial Assistance) Bill.  
(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.
Clause No. 2 (Provisions for giving effect to scheduled agreements).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 36, after the word “Act,” to insert the words “and subject to being satisfied that full opportunity is being afforded for the exercise of the right of option set out in section seven of the Munich Agreement.”—(Mr. Benn.)

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

Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 3 agreed to.
First and Second Schedules agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Deposit Fund Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Fraud (Investments) 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 Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.
Adjourment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Dugdale.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six 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. 44.]

Tuesday, 14th February 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

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

North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Bill.

Bristol Waterworks Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

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 22nd day of December last, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill.

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.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Blackburn) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hastings) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Leyton) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Extension) Bill.

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

The London Passenger Transport Board Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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

The Prime Minister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement relating to Defence.

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

Sir Charles Barrie reported from Standing Committee B: That they had gone through the Hall-marking of Foreign Plate Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Plate Bill.

Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Gordon Macdonald reported from Standing Committee C: That they had gone through the Census of Production Bill [Lords], and directed him to report the same, without Standing Order No. 111.

Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to the Chairman Unopposed Bills.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported:

That, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 5th day of December last, he had selected Mr. Boulton, from the panel appointed under Standing Order 111, to act as Chairman at every meeting of a Committee on Unopposed Bills at which neither the Chairman of Ways and Means nor the Deputy Chairman is present.

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 Yeas, Mr. Munro; Mr. Mathers; 249.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Groves; Mr. Mathers; 98.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Prevention Fraud (Investments) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Savings for certain transactions).—(Mr. Stanley.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l. 9, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(d) any solicitor dealing in securities for, and on behalf of a client.”

(Mr. Foot.)
And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l. 18, by leaving out the word "and".—(Mr. Spens.)

And the Question being put, That the word "and" stand part of the proposed Clause:—

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the said Clause was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Deposits or guarantees required in connection with applications for principal’s licences), — (Mr. Johnston), — was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 20, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(iv) having supplied information which, to the knowledge of the applicant or holder, is false or misleading in a material respect."

—(Mr. Silkin.)

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. 26, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(2) Any building society against which an order has been made under subsection (1) of this section shall have a right of appeal to the tribunal against such order within a period of twenty-eight days of the order being made and the tribunal, after hearing evidence of the registrar and the appellant building society, may either confirm or quash the order made by the registrar."—(Mr. Charles Taylor.)

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. 19, l. 36, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(viii) made or given with a view to a sale of securities by auction, or."

—(Mr. Spens.)

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. 13, l. 50, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(a) increasing the ninety-four shillings and ninepence mentioned in subsections (1) and (2) thereof by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month falls below sixty-five shillings per hundredweight and diminishing the said ninety-four shillings and ninepence by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month rises above sixty-five shillings per hundredweight;

(b) increasing the ninety-three shillings and ninepence mentioned in those subsections by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month falls below sixty-three shillings per hundredweight and diminishing the said ninety-three shillings and ninepence by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month rises above sixty-three shillings per hundredweight;

(c) increasing the ninety-one shillings and ninepence mentioned in those subsections by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month falls below fifty-nine shillings per hundredweight and diminishing it by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month rises above fifty-nine shillings per hundredweight;

(d) redefining the expression "the ascertained bacon price";
Wednesday, 15th February 1939.

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 Jarrow Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant February.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Blackburn) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hastings) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Leyton) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Defence Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the proposed Resolution relative to Defence Loans.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Gas Undertakings Acts, a Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts on the application of the Cefn Mawr and Rhos-y-medre Gas Company Limited.

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

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, by His Army Estimates, for the financial year 1939.

Copy of Memorandum by the Secretary of State for War relating to the Army Estimates, 1939.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by—

(1) the Cardiff City Council; and

(2) the Kensington Borough Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Regulations, dated 11th January 1939, entitled the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) (Caerphilly Cheese) Regulations, 1939.

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

Mr. Shakespeare presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimates for the Navy for the financial year 1939.

Copy of Statement by the First Lord of the Admiralty, explanatory of the Navy Estimates, 1939.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Maryport Harbour Bill: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Maryport Harbour 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.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend section three of the Disused Burial Grounds Act, 1884; and that Mr. Hannah, Mr. Mander, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Graham Kerr, Sir Samuel Chapman, Sir Patrick Hannon, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Thorne, Brigadier-General Sir Ernest Makins, Mr. Lipson, Miss Horshburn, and Colonel Clarke do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Hannah accordingly presented a Bill to amend section three of the Disused Burial Grounds Act, 1884: and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the rating of the annual site value of land in the administrative county of London; and for purposes connected therewith—(Mr. Herbert Morrison); Vol. 194.

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. 10;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the "Yeas,"

Mr. Montague, 135.

Mr. Close;

Mr. Herbert Williams, 229.

Mr. Duncan;

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That, in view of the growing Education for severity of international competition in trade Commerce, and the consequent need to attract into the service of commerce and industry a sufficient supply of persons of well-trained character and brains, this House considers it desirable that the Board of Education should consult with the local education authorities and the other educational interests for the purpose of determining how far the recommendations of the Spens Report on Secondary Education and the Report of the association of British Chambers of Commerce on the Commercial Employment of Students with Degrees in Commerce, or modifications of such recommendations, should be carried into effect.—(Mr. Annesley Somerville.)

Resolved, That, in the light of the considerable Dissemination activity of various foreign governments in the field of propaganda by means of the press, broadcasting, and films, this House urges the Government to pay more attention to publicity and to render wholehearted moral and financial support to schemes which will make certain of the effective presentation of British news abroad.—(Mr. Grant-Ferri.)

The Order of the day being read, for the companies Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Importation of Manufactured Goods Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];

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

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

The House of Commons, pursuant to Standing Order No. 9, met at Five of the clock, for (No. 46.)

Thursday, 16th February 1939.

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

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

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

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

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Letter to the Secretary-General of the League of Nations regarding the General Act for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes, London, 13th February 1939.

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 189,—Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committees on the Bills.

Mr. Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order, entitled the Government of India (Provincial Legislative Assemblies) Order, 1939.

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of his proceedings during 1938 under Part III of the Sea Fisheries Act, 1868.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by the Easington Rural District Council.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the Coventry Corporation Coventry Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committees:

C.—Lord Balfour and Mr. Markham; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Heilok and Sir Thomas Rosbotham.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Asheton Pownall reported from the Public Committee of Public Accounts: That they had made progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being Unemployed, that this House deplores the fact that over two million persons are workless, views with grave concern the evidence of widespread and serious malnutrition, is of opinion that an immediate improvement in their standard of maintenance is urgently necessary, and regrets the continued failure of His Majesty's Government either to produce definite plans for the provision of work and wages under the present system or to initiate a policy which recognises that the problem can only be solved by the application of socialist principles—(Mr. Greenwood);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Sir Charles Edwards,
Yea,) Mr. Paling : 146.
Tellers for the (Captain Margesson,
Noes,) Colonel Kerr : 344.
So it passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Mining Industry (Welfare Fund) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill now be read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

The 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 Cancer Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) 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 Census of Production 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 receiving the Report from the Committee on Bacon Industry (Amendment) [Money];
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Disused Burial Grounds Second Reading of the Disused Burial Grounds Act (1884) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Margesson.)

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

Friday, 17th February 1939.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his BaTley and Morley 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 Batley and Morley, in the room of Willie Brooke, Esquire, deceased. (Sir Charles Edwards.)

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Danubian Command,—Copy of Arrangement and Final Commission Protocol relative to the Exercise of the Powers of the European Commission of the Danube, No. 1, 1939.) together with an Agreement regarding the Privileges and Immunities of the Personnel of the Commission. Sinaia, 18th August 1938. [The Arrangement has not been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.]

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

Mr. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 189,—Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the Saint Nicholas Millbrook (Southampton) Church (Sale) Bill.

Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords.]

Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the Bootle Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Reports be referred to the Committees on the Bills.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local Government Act, 1937, by the Bethnal Green Borough Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Subsidence Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Sir David Reid.)

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 Yes, Mr. Tomlinson : 
Mr. Ellis Smith : 145.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peake : 
Colonel Clarke : 105.

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 Representation of the People Acts (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Places (Order and Decency) 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 Official Secrets 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 Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) 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 Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then eight minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

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

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

A Bill to empower the Mayor Aldermen and Coventry Citizens of the city of Coventry to construct waterworks and street works; to confer further powers on the Corporation with regard to the health improvement and good government of the city; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Major Tryon presented, by His Majesty's British Command,—Copy of Twelfth Annual Report of the British Broadcasting Corporation for 1938.

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

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the Unemployment instructions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Unemployment Insurance (Banking Industry Special Scheme) (Amendment) Special Order, 1939.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Air Services His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the Additional Personnel and the further Sum required to be voted for Air Services for the year ending 31st March 1939,

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 10th February 1939, entitled the Fruit Tree Pests (Norfolk) Order, 1939.

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

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Debt Annuities Account of the Gross Amount of all Bank 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 1939.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Account be printed.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Leeds (Meadow Lane) Planning Scheme.

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:

Wheat Fund.

No. 65. Account of the Wheat Fund, established under the Wheat Act, 1932, showing the Revenue and Expenditure attributable to the cereal year ended 31st July 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

(2) to include in the expression "defence services" the following civil services, namely, air-raid precautionary services and grants in aid of the Essential Commodities Reserves Fund.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 4, to leave out the words "eight hundred," and insert the words "seven hundred and ninety-nine."—(Mr. Dalston.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

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

Colonel Kerr reported from the Committee on Bacon Industry (Amendment) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend section twenty-eight of the Bacon Industry Act, 1938, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament, and into the Exchequer, of such sums as may become so payable by virtue of the following retrospective amendments of that section, that is to say, amendments—

(a) increasing the ninety-four shillings and ninepence mentioned in subsections (1) and (2) thereof by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month falls below sixty-five shillings per hundredweight and diminishing the said ninety-four shillings and ninepence by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month rises above sixty-five shillings per hundredweight;

(b) increasing the ninety-three shillings and ninepence mentioned in those subsections by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month falls below sixty-three shillings per hundredweight and diminishing it by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month rises above sixty-three shillings per hundredweight;

(c) increasing the ninety-one shillings and ninepence mentioned in those subsections by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month falls below fifty-nine shillings per hundredweight and diminishing it by one penny for every shilling by which the ascertained lard price for the month rises above fifty-nine shillings per hundredweight;

(d) redefining the expression "the ascertained bacon price";

(e) providing that there shall be deemed to have been produced from a pig a weight of bacon arrived at by ascertaining the total weight of bacon made from specified pigs and apportioning it among them in proportion to their respective dead weights.

In this Resolution, the expression "the ascertained lard price for the month" means a price (calculated to the nearest shilling per hundredweight, any odd sixpence per hundredweight being disregarded) representing the average of the prices at which during the month such descriptions of lard as are specified in regulations were sold by wholesale on such markets in Great Britain as are so specified.

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production Bill [Lords], not 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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Peat and Sir Eugene Ramsden be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts, and that Sir George Davies and Mr. Lewis be added to the Committee.—(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That Mr. Lunn be discharged from the Select Committee on Publications and Debates Reports, and that Mr. Cluse be added to the Committee.—(Captain Margesson.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

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

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

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Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 2nd February 1939, made under the British Settlements Act, 1937, entitled—

(1) the Kenya (Highlands) Order in Council, 1939;
(2) the Kenya (Native Areas) Order in Council, 1939.

Copies of Statutes made by the University of Oxford on 15th November 1938, amending existing Statutes of the University.

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

Mr. Secretary Colevile presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 16th February 1939, made by the Secretary of State for Scotland for the discontinuance of Legalised Police Cells in the Burgh of Stirling.

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th February 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Proscribed Routes) (No. 12) (Market Square, Bromley) Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Eighteenth Annual Reports of the Minister of Transport upon the Caledonian and Crinan Canals, with Accounts, for the year ended 31st March 1938.

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

Message from the Lords.

Prevention of Damage by Rabbits (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision for the prevention of damage by rabbits; and to amend the law relating to the use of poison, the prohibition of night shooting, and the use of spring traps above ground for the purpose of killing hares or rabbits; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Parliamentary Elections (Mr. Speaker's Seat) which stands adjourned until to-morrow, be further adjourned until Wednesday the 1st day of March next, at Four of the clock.—(Mr. Lambert.)

Standing Committee B.

Bill 72.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 5th day of May next; and be printed.

No. 67.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Vol. 194.
Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the
Defence Loans Act, 1937, so as—

(1) to increase to eight hundred million
pounds the limit on the aggregate amount
of the sums which may be issued out of
the Consolidated Fund under subsection (1)
of section one; and

(2) to include in the expression "defence
services" the following civil services,
namely, air raid precautionary services
and grants in aid of the Essential Com-
mmodities Reserves Fund.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon
Thursday next.

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thurs-
day next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Hall-marking of Foreign Plate Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking
into consideration the Hall-marking of Foreign
Plate Bill, not amended in the Standing
Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-

sideration upon Thursday next.

Marking of Manufactured Goods Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Marking of Manufactured
Goods Bill;

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

Disused Burial Grounds Act (1884) Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Disused Burial Grounds
Act (1884) Amendment Bill;

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

Public Places (Order and Decency) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Public Places (Order
and Decency) Bill;

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

Adjournment.

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

And, it being half an hour after Eleven
of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker
adjourned the House, without Question
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Adjournment.

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

And, it being half an hour after Eleven
of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker
adjourned the House, without Question
put, pursuant to the Standing Order,
till to-morrow.
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urges that close and careful review of their administration and their aims should be maintained, with the object of the further improvement of these services, the prevention of overlapping, and the removal of anomalies."—(Sir Arnold Wilson)—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 Yes, Mr. George Hall: 149.


So it passed in the Negative.

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

And, it being after half-past Seven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, whilst recognising the value of the efforts of the Government to stimulate industry and find employment, this House is of opinion that there is urgent necessity for an immediate development of practical and constructive proposals towards the co-ordination of man-power and industrial policy in order to assist in the proper distribution of employment and to ensure employment to able-bodied unemployed workers—(Mr. Emery);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That," to the word "there," in l. 4, and inserting the words "in the opinion of this House, subject to the maintenance of the voluntary principle and the observance of trade union rates and conditions,"—(Mr. Leslie),—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 Yes, Mr. George Hall: 89.

Tellers for the Noes, Mrs. Adamson: 90*.

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

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

And the Question being put, That the Question put

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yes, Mr. Leslie: 111.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Lawes-Jones: 135.

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 the Companies Second Reading of the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation Second Reading of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (1921) Amendment Bill;

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

Ordered, That Lieutenant-Commander Tufnell be discharged from the Select Committee of Streets by Statutory Undertakers.

Sir John Train be added to the Committee.

—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Margsson.)

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

* [MEMORANDUM.—The number of the Noes has been altered from 89, as reported by the Tellers, to 89*, in accordance with the direction given to the Clerk of the House by Mr. Speaker on 23rd February. The Proceedings on the Motion relating to Unemployment subsequent to this Division were ordered by the House, on the same day, to be null and void.]

[No. 51.]

Thursday, 23rd February 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Sheffield Corporation Bill was, according Sheffield

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

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The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hastings) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Bill ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Leyton) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Bill ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Extension) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

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

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

The Lords have agreed to the Custody of Custody of Children (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Hamilton Kerr and Mr. Leslie, the Unemployment-Tellers in the No Division Lobby in the Second Division of the 22nd February, on the Question, "That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question," came to an agreement:—

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by the Manchester Corporation.

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

Mr. Eliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by the Manchester Corporation.

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under Section 2 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, that they are of opinion (1) that the following Order, namely, the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Order, relates to matters outside Scotland to such an extent 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 Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Scheme for effecting the union of the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Birmingham, Saint Thomas, and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Birmingham, Immanuel, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Warwick and in the Diocese of Birmingham.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Blackburn) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Bill ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Bacon Industry (Amendment) 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 House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:—

Ayes 89, Noes 89.

Ordered, That the Proceedings relative to the Motion relating to Unemployment subsequent to the Division on the Question, "That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question," be null and void.

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

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1938.

Class II.

Vote 8. Colonial Office.

1. £14,400 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Vote 9. Colonial and Middle Eastern Services.

2. £3,044,710 (Supplementary) for sundry Colonial and Middle Eastern Services under His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain non-effective services and grants in aid.

Class I.

Vote 21. Royal Commissions, &c.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £6,000 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 1939 for the salaries and other expenses of Royal Commissions, Committees and special inquiries, &c., including provision for shorthand, and the expenses of surplus stores, &c., liquidation.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £5,990 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Benn.)

The Committee divided. Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Mathers: 95, Yeas, [Mr. Adamson: 179,]

Tellers for the Noses, [Major Herbert:]

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class VI.

Vote 11. Land Fertility Improvement.

4. £156,100 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Land Fertility Committee, and contributions towards the cost of acquiring and transporting lime and basic slag incurred by occupiers of agricultural land in the United Kingdom.

Vote 1. Board of Trade.

5. £8,800 (Supplementary) 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.


6. £10 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of certain Mercantile Marine services, including the expenses of Coastguard and General Register and Record Office of Shipping and Seamen.

Class VIII.

Vote 1. Merchant Seamen's War Pensions.

7. £6,000 (Supplementary) for War pensions and allowances (including cost of treatment) to merchant seamen and fishermen and their dependants and the administrative expenses connected therewith.

Class VI.

Vote 3. Department of Overseas Trade.

8. £139,820 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Department of Overseas Trade, including grants in aid of the Imperial Institute and the Travel and Industrial Development Association of Great Britain and Ireland.

Resolutions to be reported.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved into a Committee on the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Schedule amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Captain Wallace reported from the Committee Ways and Means of the 21st day of this instant February, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Defence Loans.

That it is expedient to amend the Defence Loans Act, 1937, so as—

(1) to increase to eight hundred million pounds the limit on the aggregate amount of the sums which may be issued out of the Consolidated Fund under subsection (1) of section one; and
The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage
Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill (Scotland)
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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday
Secretary of State under the Sunday Entertain-
ments Act, 1932, for extending section one
of that Act to the rural district of Dartford,
which was presented on the 7th day of February
1939, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday
Secretary of State under the Sunday Entertain-
ments Act, 1932, for extending section one
of that Act to the urban district of Hornchurch,
which was presented on the 7th day of February
1939, be approved.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking Hall-marking
into consideration the Hall-marking of Foreign Foreign
Plate Bill, not amended in the Standing
Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
sideration upon Tuesday next.

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-nine minutes after
Two of the clock on Friday morning, till
this day.
Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Leyton) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate for Civil and Revenue Departments for the year ending 31st March 1940, with Memorandum.

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

Army (Royal Ordnance Factories).—Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of Charge for Army Royal Ordnance Factories for the financial year 1939.

Ordered, That the Paper be withdrawn.

Copy of General Annual Report on the British Army for 1938, with which is incorporated the Annual Report on Recruiting.

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

The Order made upon the 16th day of this instant February, That the Paper relative to the Government of India Act, 1935 (High Court Judges) (Amendment) Order do lie upon the Table; was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Paper be withdrawn.

The Order for taking into consideration upon Tuesday next the Hall-marking of Foreign Plate Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 12th day of May next.

The Order made upon the 20th day of this instant February, That this House Bill, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee upon the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords] was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 6th day of March next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time; An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House recognises the right of shop assistants to be protected from unfair working conditions and excessive hours, but Vor. 194.

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Monday, 27th February 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Coventry Corporation Bill was read a second time, and committed.

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

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Leyton) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937, by (Scotland) Greenock Corporation.

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 made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Gloucester.

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

The Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of March next; and to be printed. Bill 77.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Parliamentary Elections (Mr. Speaker's Seat), which stands adjourned until Wednesday next, be further adjourned until Wednesday the 8th day of March next, at Four of the clock.—(Mr. Lambert.)

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

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "while recognising the regrettable necessity for an unprecedented defence programme, this House is of opinion that in the interests of efficiency and public economy the Bill ought to be preceded by more effective measures for the co-ordination of the services, the organisation of supply, and the elimination of excessive private profits,"—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, made under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937, by (Scotland) Greenock Corporation.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Air Estimates, 1939. His Majesty's Command, Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Secretary of State for Air to accompany the Air Estimates, 1939.

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

Mr. E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

24th February 1939.

[No. 53.]

Coventry Corporation Bill.

Sunderland Corporation Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Leyton) Bill.

All Hallows Lombard Street Bill.

Coventry Corporation Bill.

Walsall Corporation Bill.

Trade Boards Acts.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to Standing Order 189,—Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the All Hallows Lombard Street Bill.

Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the Coventry Corporation Bill.

Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the Walsall Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Reports be referred to the Committees on the Bills.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st February 1939, entitled the Trade Boards (Stamped or Pressed Metal-Wares Trade, Great Britain) (Constitution and Proceedings) (Amendment) Regulations, 1939.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Knottingley Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

Cancer Bill.

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

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

Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;

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

Census of Production Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;

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

Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

Highways Protection Bill.

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

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

Adjournment.

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

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.

[No. 54.]

Tuesday, 28th February 1939.

The House, 28th February 1939.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Jarrow Corporation Bill;

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented a Bill for the confirmation of a Provisional Order by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Sea Fisheries Act, 1868, for the establishment and maintenance of a Several Oyster Fishery at Tollesbury and West Mersea, in the estuary of the River Blackwater, in the county of Essex: 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.

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Civil Command,—Copy of Statement of the Sum required to be voted in order to make good an Excess on the Grant for the Foreign Office for the year ended 31st March 1938.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, and that the Paper relative to Civil Estimates (Excess) for the year 1937, be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.


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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the London directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Traffic Regulations, dated 22nd February 1939, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 13) (Hayes) Regulations, 1939;

(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 14) (Becontree Broadway, Dagenham) Regulations, 1939;

(3) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 15) (Guildford) Regulations, 1939.

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

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Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th February 1939, entitled the Trade Boards (Baking Trade, Scotland) (Constitution and Proceedings) Regulations, 1939.

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

Mr. Gordon Macdonald reported from Standing Committee C: That they had gone through the Limitation Bill [Lords], and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

No. 74.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Gardner and Colonel Meyhew; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Marshall and Mr. Peake.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill):—Mr. Berney, Mr. Batchler, and Mr. Lloyd; and had appointed in substitution: Miss Cazalet, Mr. Lindsay, and Mr. Rambotham.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill):—Mr. Berney, Mr. Batchler, and Mr. Lloyd; and had appointed in substitution: Miss Cazalet, Mr. Lindsay, and Mr. Rambotham.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message was delivered by Lieutenant Royal Assent.

The Lords have agreed to the Currency and Bank Notes Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Czechoslovakia (Financial Assistance) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Currency and Bank Notes Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz:—That it is desirable that the London Government Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of seven Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider the Breaking up of Streets by Statutory Undertakers, pursuant to the Commons message of the 22nd day of December last: and they propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room No. 4 on Tuesday next, at Eleven o'clock.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, Private

That after conforming with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Bills, introduced pursuant to the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, should be first considered, they had determined that the following Bill should originate in the House of Lords, viz:—

Scottish Union and National Insurance Company (Substituted Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Christopher York, Esquire, Member for the New Member County of York (West Riding) (Ripon Division), sworn, was sworn.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, supported by Mr. Secretary Coleville, Captain Wallace, Mr. Ramsbotham, and Mr. Scrymgeour Wedderburn, presented a Bill to amend the Wheat Act, 1932: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Spain, proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the decision of His Majesty's Government to grant unconditional recognition to Spanish insurgent forces dependent upon foreign intervention constitutes a deliberate affront to the legitimate Government of a friendly Power, is a gross breach of international traditions, and marks a further stage in a policy which is steadily destroying in all democratic countries confidence in the good faith of Great Britain. 

(Mr. Attlee.)


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:

2. Export Guarantees Act, 1939.

And the Question being again proposed, That, Spain, in the opinion of this House, the decision of His Majesty's Government to grant unconditional recognition to Spanish insurgent forces dependent upon foreign intervention constitutes a deliberate affront to the legitimate Government of a friendly Power, is a gross breach of
international traditions, and marks a further stage in a policy which is steadily destroying in all democratic countries confidence in the good faith of Great Britain.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

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

 Tellers for the  

Sir Charles Edwards, 

Yees,  

Mr. Pailing;

 Tellers for the Captain Margesson, 

 Noses,  

Colonel Kerr;

So it passed in the Negative.

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 Reorganisation of Offices (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 Committee on the Defence Loans Bill;

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

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of an area comprising a portion of the county of Surrey, for the suspension of powers of purchase of the Undertaking, and for other purposes, which was presented on the 31st day of January 1939, be approved.—(Captain Austin Hudson.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marking of Manufactured Goods 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 Disused Burial Grounds Act (1884) 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 Public Places (Order and Decency) Bill;

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

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

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Wednesday, 1st March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read: Public Petitions, Vide First Report.

Mr. Secretary Coleille presented, pursuant Education to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—(Scotland.) Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 2nd February 1939, entitled the Day Schools (Scotland) Code Minute, 1939.

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

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Import Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Duties. Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 6th February 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 2) Order, 1939.

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

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to Import Duties the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Railways Report of the Proceedings of the Ministry of Railways Transport under the Light Railways Acts and Act, 1921. Railways Act, 1921, up to 21st December 1938.

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

Mr. Burgis presented, pursuant to the Light duties of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Copies of Minutes of of Order, dated 1st March 1939, made under 1932.) the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 2) Order, 1939.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Civil Air His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement Transport between the Secretary of State for Air and Imperial Airways, Limited, relating to the operation of a regular air service between Bermuda and New York.

Copy of Letters of Agreement between the Civil Air Secretary of State for Air and Imperial Airways, Limited, relating to the operation of an improved air service between Bangkok and Hong Kong.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Government Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by—

(1) the Nottingham City Council;
(2) the Lichfield Superannuation Joint Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Shakespeare presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1939.

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

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926; and that Mr. Westwood, Mr. Mathers, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Casella, Sir Murdoch MacDonald, Mr. Sexton, Sir Joseph Lamb, and Captain Shaw do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Westwood accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1938.

Class I.

Vote 6. Privy Seal Office.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £5,942 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Lord Privy Seal.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £5,942 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Ways and Means.

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

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


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Cancer Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Cancer 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 Public Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production 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 Marriage Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Limitation into consideration the Limitation 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 Wheat Second Reading of the Wheat (Amendment) Bill;

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

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Ross Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 6th day of February and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess of the Borough of Chelmsford, which was presented on the 6th day of February and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Cardiff Gas Light and Coke Company, which was presented on the 6th day of February and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Second Reading of the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation of Plumage (Prohibitions) Act (1921) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wheat Importation of Wheat (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
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Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

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

[No. 56.]

Thursday, 2nd March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Royal Wanstead School Bill [Lords.]

M. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 189,—Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the Royal Wanstead School Bill [Lords;]

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

High Court of Justice (Northern Ireland), Probate Division.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Account of the High Court of Justice (Northern Ireland), Probate Division, for 1938.

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

Treaty Series (No. 12,1939.)

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Bulgarian Government, regarding the Military, Naval and Air Clauses of the Treaty of Neuilly, &c. Sofia, 12th August/24th November, 1938.

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

Land Drainage Act, 1930.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries on the River Trent Catchment Board (Appeal of the Level of Hatfield Chase Corporation) Order, 1938.

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

Exeter Extension Bill.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Willenhall Urban District Council Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords’ Message Breaking up of the 28th day of February last as relates to the time and place of meeting of the Joint Committee on the Breaking up of Streets by Statutory Undertakers be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

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

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords’ Committee as proposed by their Lordships.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government the House, 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 Yeas, Mr. Whiteley: 233.

Mr. Munro, 107.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Groves,

Mr. Hope, Captain Hope,

Mr. Whiteley:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1938.

Class I.

Vote 6. Privy Seal Office.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £5,942 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Lord Privy Seal.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £5,842 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Greenwood.)
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Mothers, Mr. Anderson... 107.

Tellers for the Noes,
Captain Hope, Colonel Kerr... 213.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class III.


2. £790,020 (Supplementary) for air raid precautionary services, including grants to local authorities.

Class V.


3. £10 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Labour, including sums payable by the Exchequer to the Unemployment Fund, grants to local authorities, associations and other bodies in respect of unemployment insurance, employment exchange and other services; grant in aid of the National Council of Social Service; expenses of transfer and resettlement; expenses of training of unemployed persons and, on behalf of the Army Council and Air Council, of soldiers and airmen for employment; contribution towards the expenses of the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations); expenses of the Industrial Court; expenses in connection with national service; and sundry services.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.
Friday, 3rd March 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between Sir Henry McMahon, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., K.C.I.E., C.S.I., His Majesty's High Commissioner at Cairo, and the Sherif Hussein of Mecca, July 1915—March 1916. [With a Map.]

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

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Arrangements for increasing the demand for Milk by the supply thereof at reduced rates to Nursing and Expectant Mothers and Children under the age of five, within the area of the Scottish Milk Marketing Scheme, 1933.

Copy of Regulations, dated 18th February 1939, entitled the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) (Tomatoes) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.

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

Mr. Gordon Macdonald rose in his place, and Closure 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. Gordon Macdonald rose in his place, and Closure 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 being Four of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 17th day of this instant March.

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

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

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[No. 57.]

Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords.]
Monday, 6th March 1939.

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

Mr. Speaker's Absence.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from this day's Sitting.

Prayers.

Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Lindsay presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Memorandum on the Board of Education Estimates, 1939.

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

Board of Education.

Agricultural Research Council.

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Command, Accounts of the Agricultural Research Council, established by Order in Council made on 29th June 1931, showing the Receipts and Payments in the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Town and Country Planning Act, 1932.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Scheme, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Leeds (West Street) Planning Scheme.

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 prepared pursuant to Section 27 (1) of the Tithe Act, 1936, of (a) the sums received into and paid out of the Redemption Annuities Account, (b) the advances to that account from the Consolidated Fund, and (c) the Redemption Stock issued for the year ended 31st March 1938, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts 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;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the £ Mr. Munro, (Major Herbert : 214.

Yees, (Mr. Whiteley, (Mr. Mathers : ) 91.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Defence Loans Bill was, according to Defence Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Certificate, Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker).

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1938, and Civil (Excess), 1937.

Class III.


1. £1,100 (Supplementary) for the expenses of the maintenance of criminal lunatics in the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum.

Vote 5. Prisons, England and Wales.

2. £10 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the office of the Prison Commissioners and of the Prisons in England and Wales.

Class VI.

Vote 25. Fishery Board for Scotland.

3. £2,130 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Fishery Board for Scotland, and a grant in aid of piers or quays.

Class II.

Vote 11. India and Burma Services.

4. £300,010 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for India and His Majesty's Secretary of State for Burma, and grants in aid of military expenditure from Indian Revenues.

Class VII.


5. £8,500 (Supplementary) for expenditure in respect of Houses of Parliament buildings.


6. £10 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.

Vote 7. Public Buildings, Great Britain.

7. £491,800 (Supplementary) for expenditure in respect of sundry public buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes, including historic buildings, ancient monuments, Brompton Cemetery and certain housing estates.

8. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £18,700 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 1939 for expenditure in respect of public buildings overseas.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £18,600 be granted for the said Service. (Mr. Ede.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Charleton,
Yea,
Mr. Adanson : 85.

Tellers for the Major Herbert
Noes,
Major Harvie Watt : 131.

Original Question put, and agreed to.


9. £42,200 (Supplementary) 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.

Class V.

Vote 1. Ministry of Health.

10. £10 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Health; including grants, a grant in aid and other expenses in connection with housing, certain grants to local authorities, and a grant in aid to the National Radium Trust, grants in aid in respect of national health insurance benefits, and certain expenses in connection with widows', orphans' and old age contributory pensions; a grant in aid of the Civil Service Sports Council; and other services.

Class IV.


11. £50,000 (Supplementary) for a grant to the British Broadcasting Corporation.

Vote 3. British Museum (Natural History).

12. £9,370 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the British Museum (Natural History), including a grant in aid.

Class V.

Vote 6. Old Age Pensions.

13. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £200,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for Old Age Pensions, pensions to blind persons, and for certain administrative expenses in connection therewith.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £199,995 be granted for the said Service. (Mr. Ellis Smith).

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Government of Burma Act, 1935 (India-Burma Financial Settlement Order.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 157 of the Government of Burma Act, 1935, praying that the Government of Burma (India-Burma Financial Settlement) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament.—(Colonel Muirhead):—And a Debate arising thereupon;
Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.
—(Captain Waterhouse.)
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.


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


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ways and Means.

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

Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Cancer Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Cancer Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Census of Production Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production 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 Marriage Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) [Lords.]
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Limitation into consideration the Limitation 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 Wheat Second Reading of the Wheat (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords’ Message London of the 28th day of February last as communi- cates the Resolution," That it is desirable that the London Government Bill [Lords.] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament,” be now taken into consideration. —(Captain Hope.)
The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the said Message into consideration.
Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in the said Resolution.—(Captain Hope.)
Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith, and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Hope.)

And accordingly the House, having con- tinued to sit till ten minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

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[No. 59.]

Tuesday, 7th March 1939.

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

The Clerk at the Table informed the House Mr. Speaker’s of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker’s from this day’s Sitting.
Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman Prayers. of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.
Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—
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.:
Southern Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—
Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills. That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:
Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colchester) Bill.
Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newbury) Bill.

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

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

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

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932 to the borough of Southall.

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for Scotland:—
Royal burgh of Dumbarton.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by—
(1) the Leicestershire Superannuation Joint Committee;
(2) the London County Council;
(3) the Fleetwood and Thornton Superannuation Joint Committee;
(4) the Carmarthen Superannuation Joint Committee.

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

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Official Secrets Acts, which stands adjourned till to-morrow, be further adjourned till Wednesday the 15th day of this instant March, at a quarter of an hour after Four of the clock.—(Mr. Peake.)

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Official Secrets Acts, which stands adjourned till to-morrow, be further adjourned till Wednesday the 15th day of this instant March, at a quarter of an hour after Four of the clock.—(Mr. Peake.)

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A Motion was made, and the Question being Business of 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 (Captain Hope,
Yea, (Mr. Muir; }
Noes, (Mr. Charleton ;
235.

Tellers for the (Mr. Whiteley,
Yea, (Mr. Muir; }
Noes, (Mr. Charleton ;
122.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Public Health Bill to amend the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, with respect to coal mine refuse liable to spontaneous combustion; and that Mr. Mathers, Mr. Anstruther-Grey, Mr. Barr, Mr. Cassells, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Robert Gibson, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Henderson Stewart, Mr. Watson, Mr. Welsh, and Mr. Westwood do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Mathers accordingly presented a Bill to Public Health amend the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, (Coal Mine Spontaneous combustion:) And the same was Bill. read the first time, and ordered to be read a Bill 81. second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1938.

Class II.

Vote 2. Diplomatic and Consular Services.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £259,087 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 1939 for the expenses in connection with His Majesty’s Embassies, Missions and Consular Establishments Abroad, and other expenditure chargeable to the Consular Vote; certain special grants and payments, including grants in aid; and sundry services arising out of the war.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put,

That a sum not exceeding £259,087 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Grenfell.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Mathers,
Yeas, (Mr. Anderson ; }
Noes, (Major Harvie Watt ;
121.

Tellers for the (Captain Waterhouse,
Yeas, (Mr. Anderson ; }
Noes, (Major Harvie Watt ;
207.

Original Question put and agreed to.

Vote I. Foreign Office.

2. £40,000 (Supplementary) for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

Mr. Lloyd reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1938.

Class II.

Vote 8. Colonial Office.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £14,400 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Vote 9. Colonial and Middle Eastern Services.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £9,444,710 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 1939 for sundry Colonial and Middle Eastern Services under His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain non-effective services and grants in aid.

Class I.

Vote 21. Royal Commissions, &c.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £6,000 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 1939 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 VI.

Vote 11. Land Fertility Improvement.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £156,100 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Land Fertility Committee, and contributions towards the cost of acquiring and transporting lime and basic slag incurred by occupiers of agricultural land in the United Kingdom.

Vote 1. Board of Trade.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £8,800 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 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.


6. 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of certain Mercantile Marine services, including the expenses of Coastguard and General Register and Record Office of Shipping and Seamen.

Class VIII.

Vote 1. Merchant Seamen's War Pensions.

7. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £5,942 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 1939 for War pensions and allowances (including cost of treatment) to merchant seamen and fisherfolk and their dependants and the administrative expenses connected therewith.

Class VI.

Vote 3. Department of Overseas Trade.

8. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £139,820 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of Overseas Trade, including grants in aid of the Imperial Institute and the Travel and Industrial Development Association of Great Britain and Ireland.

The First and Second Resolutions, being read a second time, were postponed. Then the remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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

Mr. Lloyd reported from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant March, [2nd March] 1939, for the salaries and expenses of the several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1938.

Class I.

Vote 6. Privy Seal Office.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £5,942 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Lord Privy Seal.

Class III.


2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £7,100 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 1939 for air raid precautionary services, including grants to local authorities.
of State for India and His Majesty's Secretary of State for Burma, and grants in aid of military expenditure from Indian Revenues.

Class VII.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for expenditure in respect of railroad 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.

Class V.

10. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for expenditure in respect of sundry public buildings overseas.

Class VI.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £300,010 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for India and His Majesty's Secretary of State for Burma, and grants in aid of military expenditure from Indian Revenues.

Class II.

Vote 11. India and Burma Services.

Ministry of Labour (Supplementary.)

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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Labour, including sums payable by the Exchequer to the Unemployment Fund, grants to local authorities, associations and other bodies in respect of unemployment insurance, employment exchange and other services; grant in aid of the National Council of Social Service; expenses of transfer and resettlement; expenses of training of unemployed persons and, on behalf of the Army Council and Air Council, of soldiers and airmen for employment; contribution towards the expenses of the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations); expenses of the Industrial Court; expenses in connection with national service; and sundry services.

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

Mr. Lloyd reported from the Committee of Supply of the 6th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1938, and Civil (Excess), 1937.

Class III.


1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £1,100 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 1939 for the expenses of the maintenance of criminal lunatics in the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum.

Vote 5. Prisons, England and Wales.

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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the office of the Prison Commissioners and of the Prisons in England and Wales.

Class VI.

Vote 25. Fishery Board for Scotland.

Ministry of Health (Supplementary.)

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,130 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Fishery Board for Scotland, and a grant in aid of piers or quays.

Class II.

Vote 11. India and Burma Services.

Ministry of Health (Supplementary.)

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £300,010 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for India and His Majesty's Secretary of State for Burma, and grants in aid of military expenditure from Indian Revenues.

Class VII.


5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for expenditure in respect of Houses of Parliament buildings.


6. 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.

Vote 7. Public Buildings, Great Britain.

7. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £18,700 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 1939 for expenditure in respect of sundry public buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes, including historic buildings, ancient monuments, Brompton Cemetery and certain housing estates.


8. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £18,700 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 1939 for expenditure in respect of public buildings overseas.


9. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £42,200 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 1939 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.
11. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £50,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for a grant to the British Broadcasting Corporation.

12. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £9,370 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the British Museum (Natural History), including a grant in aid.

13. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £200,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for Old Age Pensions, pensions to blind persons, and for certain administrative expenses in connection therewith.

14. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £611,200 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 1939 for sundry miscellaneous services, including reports of Parliamentary Debates.

15. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,400 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Anglo-Spanish, Anglo-Romanian, Anglo-Italian and Anglo-Turkish Clearing Offices.

16. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,850 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 1939 for the salaries and expenses of the Lord Advocate’s Department, and other law charges, the salaries and expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice and of Pensions Appeals Tribunals in Scotland.

17. That a sum not exceeding £10 be Civil (Excess) granted to His Majesty, to make good an Excess on the Grant for the Foreign Office for the year ended the 31st day of March 1938:

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1. Foreign Office    £ 0 0 0

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

The Eighth Resolution, being read a second time;
An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by leaving out “£18,700,” and inserting “£18,600,”—(Mr. Ede),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That “£18,700” stand part of the Resolution;
The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Captain Hope,
Yea, Mr. Grimston: 175.

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley,
Nee, Mr. Charlton: 115.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Resolution was agreed to.

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

The Seventeenth 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. Benn moved, That the Debate be now adjourned; but Mr. Deputy Speaker, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

And the Question being put;
The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Colonel Kerr,
Yea, Mr. Grimston: 170.

Tellers for the Mr. Mathers,
Nee, Mr. Adamson: 103.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Cancer Bill.

Class V.
Vote 6. Old Age Pensions.

Class VI.

Class VII.

Class III.
Vote 17. Law Charges and Courts of Law, Scotland.

7th March.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, l. 4, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "and the said expression shall not apply to reports or accounts of treatments for cancer issued or published, orally or otherwise, by registered or unregistered practitioners, to persons or in publications other than those enumerated in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (4) of this section."—(Mr. Leach.)

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

Wednesday, 8th March 1939:

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. Hayday:

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Munro:

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

Ways and Means.

Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;

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

Census of Production Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

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Wednesday, 8th March 1939.

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

Mr. Speaker's Absence.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from this day's Sitting.

Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—

Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in respect of the following Bill, intended to be introduced pursuant to the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, and which the Chairman of Ways and Means had reported as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with, viz.:

Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords] (Substituted Bill).

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colchester) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newbury) Bill.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Final Report on the Fifth Census of Production and the Import Duties Act Inquiry, 1935, Part II, the Iron and Steel Trades, the Engineering, Shipbuilding and Vehicles Trades, and the Non-Ferrous Metals Trades.

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

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Reports of the Unemployment Insurance Statutory Committee, in accordance with Section 59 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1935, and Section 8 of the Unemployment Insurance (Agriculture) Act, 1936, on the financial condition of the Unemployment Fund on 31st December 1938.

No. 78. Unemployment Insurance Acts.

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

Rhodesia-Nyasaland (Royal Commission.)

Secretary Sir Thomas Inskip presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Rhodesia-Nyasaland Royal Commission.

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

Protection of Animals Bill.

Mr. Foot, supported by Mr. Boothby, Mr. Benson, Sir Frank Sanderson, Mr. Graham White, and Mr. Barr, presented a Bill to extend the operation of the Protection of Animals Act, 1911, in respect of animals kept in captivity or confinement and released for the purpose of being hunted or coursed: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Business of the House, 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; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Captain Hope, Yeas;

Mr. Furness ;

Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers, Noes;

Mr. Adamson ;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Army Estimates)—(Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha);

An Amendment was proposed to be made Army and to the Question, by leaving out from the words " That,") to the end of the Question, and adding words " this House urges that, in view of our greater Imperial responsibilities, His Majesty's Government should consider the advisability of increasing our land forces,"

(Major Rayner), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

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

Thursday, 9th March 1939:

The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Supply. (In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1939.

Vote A. Number of Land Forces.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a number of Land Forces, not exceeding 185,700, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, exclusive of India and Burma, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put;

Ordered, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Supply.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Matthers, Yeas;

Mr. Anderson ;

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Noes;

Mr. Major Herbert ;

Original Question put and agreed to.

8th March. 1939.
3 GEO. VI. 8th—9th March.

Vote 1. Pay, &c., of the Army.
2. £11,943,000 for the Pay, &c., of the Army.

Vote 2. Territorial Army and Reserve Forces.
3. £14,022,000 for the Army Reserve (to a number not exceeding 144,000, all ranks), Supplementary Reserve (to a number not exceeding 67,816, all ranks), Territorial Army (to a number not exceeding 246,579, all ranks), Officers Training Corps, and Colonial Militia, &c.

4. £5,540,000 for Works, Buildings and Lands, including military and civilian staff and other charges in connection therewith.

Vote 11. Miscellaneous Effective Services.
5. £2,432,000 for Miscellaneous Effective Services.

6. £3,745,000 for Rewards, Half-Pay, Retired Pay, Widows’ Pensions and other Non-Effective Charges for Officers.

Vote 14. Pensions and other Non-Effective Charges for Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Men and others.
7. £4,833,000 for the Royal Hospital, Chelsea; of Out-Pensions, Rewards for Distinguished Service, Widows’ Pensions, and other Non-Effective Charges for Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Men, &c.

Vote 15. Civil Superannuation, Compensation and Gratuities.
8. £288,000 for Civil Superannuation and other Non-Effective Annual Allowances, Additional Allowances and Gratuities.

Army (Royal Ordnance Factories) Estimate, 1939.
9. £1,164,000 for the Royal Ordnance Factories, the Cost of the Productions of which will be charged to the Navy, the Army, the Air Force, &c.

Army Supplementary Estimates, 1938.
Vote A. Additional Number of Land Forces.
10. Resolved, That an additional number of Land Forces, not exceeding 58,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, exclusive of India and Burma, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939.

Army Services.
11. £100 (Supplementary) for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Army Services for the year.

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Army (Royal Ordnance Factories) Supplementary Estimate, 1938.
12. £100 (Supplementary) to defray the charge (reduced by a sum, not exceeding £141,960, to be transferred from the Supplies Suspense Account) for expenditure beyond the sum already granted for the Service of the Royal Ordnance Factories.

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 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 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 receiving Supply of the [7th March] report.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply of the [7th March] Report.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.
Mr. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to Sheffield Standing Order 189,—Copy of Report of the Corporation Bill.

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

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant Local to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Local annuation Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937, by Glasgow Corporation.


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


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon No. 79 the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pur- Territorial taints to the directions of an Act of Parliament, and Reserve Council and the Air Council for the establish- ment and constitution of Associations for—

1. the county of Derby;
2. the county of Devon;
3. Hampshire and the Isle of Wight;
4. the county of Northumberland;
5. the East Riding of the county of York.

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

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty’s Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between (No. 13, 1939.) His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Colombian Government regarding the prolongation of the Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation of 16th February 1866. Bogotá, 30th December 1938.

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

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to Coal Mines the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of Order entitled the Lancashire and Cheshire District (Coal Mines) Scheme (Amend- ment) Order, 1939.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Government Scheme made under the Local Government annuation Superannuation Act, 1937, by the Dagenham Act, 1937. Borough Council.

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

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee Selection of Selection: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Com- mittiee C (in respect of the Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill) —The Lord Advo- cate, Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Chapman, Miss Lloyd George, Miss Horsbrugh, Mr. Mathews,
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Unemployment Insurance Bill. Bill 83.

Mr. Ernest Brown, supported by Mr. Elliot, Mr. Attorney-General, Captain Wallace, Sir Victor Warrender, Mr. Lennox-Boyd, and Mr. Laskey, presented a Bill to amend the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1935 to 1938, and to provide for the payment of contributions under the National Health Insurance Act, 1936, and the Widow's, Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Acts, 1936, in respect of holiday periods: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; 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;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Munro, Mr. Furness: 255.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Groves, Mr. Whiteley: 109.

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. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Air Estimates)—(Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood):

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 welcomes the increased financial assistance proposed to be given to internal airline operators but would welcome further assistance in the development of airport facilities in this country and in the production of types of aircraft specially suitable for future requirements of civil aviation at home and overseas,"—(Mr. Ekersley),—instead thereof.

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

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Air Estimates, 1939.

Vote A. Number of Royal Air Force.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a number of Air Forces, not exceeding 118,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, excluding those on the Indian Establishment, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a number not exceeding 117,900, all ranks, be maintained for the said Service.—(Mr. Dalton).

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Mathers, Mr. Adamson: 89.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Munro, Mr. Winn: 149.

Friday, 10th March 1939:

Original Question put, and agreed to.


2. £14,670,000 for the Pay, &c., of the Royal Air Force.


3. £4,250,000 for Technical and Warlike Stores, including Research and Development Services.

Vote 8. Civil Aviation.

5. £4,787,000 for Civil Aviation.

Air Supplementary Estimates, 1938.

Vote A. Additional Number of Royal Air Force.

6. Resolved, That an additional number of Air Forces, not exceeding 6,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, excluding those on the Indian establishment, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939.

Air Services.

7. £100 (Supplementary) for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Air Services for the year:

Schedule.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Provincial Legislative Assemblies) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 157 of the Government of Burma Act, 1935, praying that the Government of Burma (Shan States Federal Fund) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before 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.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the First and Second Readings of the Bill [Lords.], not amended in the 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 Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.];

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

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

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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Lambert Ward Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill. E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

9th March 1939.

[No. 62.]

Friday, 10th March 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Exeter Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, Air Force Orders, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 8th February 1939, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order dated 17th January 1939 and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (1928), as amended by subsequent Orders.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Gas undertakings directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Gas Undertakings Acts, Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Bath Gas Company.

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

Mr. Lindsay presented, pursuant to the Education directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Act, 1921, Regulations, dated 28th February 1939, entitled the Education Code Amending Regulations, No. 1, 1939.

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

Mr. Burgia presented, pursuant to the Electricity directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Supply Acts, Special Order made under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, in respect of the parishes of Ticknall, Ingleby Township, Calke and Smisby, in the rural district of Repton, and the parishes of Derby Hills Liberty, and Stanton-by-Bridge, and part of the Township of Barrow-upon-Trent, in the rural district of Shardlow, all in the County of Derby.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Authorities (Enabling) 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. Lewis.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Leach, Major Minier; Mr. Lewis, Mr. Bull.

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Leach, Mr. Lewis; Mr. Bull.

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.
10th—13th March 1939.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order, dated 2nd March 1939, entitled the Narcissus Pests (Norfolk) Order of 1939.

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:—

Summary of Accounts of Loan Societies in Loan Societies.

Hubert Beaumont, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Batley and Morley, was sworn.

Mr. Elliot, supported by Mr. Secretary Local Government Superannuation Bill.

and Mr. Soryngnaeour Wodderburn, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and of the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937, as to the local authorities to whom service must be rendered in order to constitute service for the purposes of those Acts respectively, to amend Part II of the First Schedule to the first-mentioned Act, and to provide for the admission to the benefits of that Act of certain employees of statutory undertakers who as such employees were entitled to the benefits of the Local Government and other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922: And the same was ordered 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. [1st allotted Day.]

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, 1939 (Vote on Account).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £191,580,000 be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for the following Civil and Revenue Departments (including Air Raid Precautionary Services, Education and Broadcasting, Pensions, Insurance, Roads and other Grants, and Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues) for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, viz.:—

Civil Estimates.

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P R A Y E R S.

Monday, 13th March 1939.

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

| No. 63. |

Gas Undertakings Acts.

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Bridport Gas Company, Limited.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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<td>Total for Civil Estimates</td>
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Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £191,379,900 be granted for the said Services.—(Mr. James Griffiths.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. John, Yeas, Mr. Mathers : ] 135.


And, it being after Eleven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14, to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Vote.

Original Question put, and agreed to. 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 had come to a Resolution.

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the First and Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 7th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 8th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (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 Second Reading of the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production 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 Marriage 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 Limitation 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 Wheat (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Insurance Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation of Plumage Protection Bill [Lords.];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits 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 ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.
Tuesday, 14th March 1939.

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

P R A Y E R S.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Aberdeen and Kincardine (Kincardine and Western Division) Writ.

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.:

London and North Eastern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill.

London Midland and Scottish Railway 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.:

Croydon Corporation [Lords].

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Willenhall Urban District Council 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 Jarrow Corporation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant March.

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Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to National the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Thirty-second Report by the Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland, for 1938.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local Government directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Local Government Act, 1929, entitled the County of York, West Riding Review Order, 1939.

Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by the Hawarden-Prestatyn Superannuation Joint Committee.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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 An Official Act to amend section six of the Official Secrets Act, 1920; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Order for reading a second time, Protection of Animals Bill, was Animals Bill. read, and discharged.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this day, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 14, the Reports of Army Estimates, 1939; of Army (Royal Ordnance Factories) Supplementary Estimate, 1938; of Air Supplementary Estimates, 1938; and the Report [7th March] of Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1938, may be considered, and that the Proceedings on the Reports of Supply of 8th, 9th and 7th March may be taken after Eleven of the clock, and 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 Captain Hope, Captain Dugdale: 265.

Tellers for the Mr. Groves, Mr. Whiteley: 112.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Captain Crookshank reported from the Committee of Supply of the 8th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Estimates, 1939.

Army Estimates, 1939.

Vote A. Number of Land Forces.

1. That a number of Land Forces, not exceeding 185,700, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, exclusive of India and Burma, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.
Pay, &c., of the Army.

Vote 1. Pay, &c., of the Army.

2. That a sum not exceeding £11,943,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay, &c., of the Army, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Territorial Army and Reserve Forces.

Vote 2. Territorial Army and Reserve Forces.

3. That a sum not exceeding £14,022,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Army Reserve (to a number not exceeding 144,000, all ranks), Supplementary Reserve (to a number not exceeding 67,816, all ranks), Territorial Army (to a number not exceeding 246,879, all ranks), Officers Training Corps, and Colonial Militia, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Works, Buildings and Lands.


4. That a sum not exceeding £5,549,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings and Lands, including military and civilian staff and other charges in connection therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Miscellaneous Effective Services.

Vote 11. Miscellaneous Effective Services.

5. That a sum not exceeding £2,432,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Miscellaneous Effective Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Half-Pay, Retired Pay and other Non-Effective Charges for Officers.

Vote 13. Half-Pay, Retired Pay and other Non-Effective Charges for Officers.

6. That a sum not exceeding £3,745,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Rewards, Half-Pay, Retired Pay, 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 1940.

Pensions and other Non-Effective Charges for Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Men and others.

Vote 14. Pensions and other Non-Effective Charges for Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Men and others.

7. That a sum not exceeding £4,833,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea; of Out-Pensions, Rewards for Distinguished Service, Widows’ Pensions and other Non-Effective Charges for Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Men, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Civil Superannuation, Compensation and Gratuities.

Vote 15. Civil Superannuation, Compensation and Gratuities.

8. That a sum not exceeding £288,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation and other Non-Effective Annual Allowances, Additional Allowances and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Schedule.

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Supplementary Estimates, 1938.

Mr. Furness reported from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read as follow:

Air Estimates, 1939.

Vote A. Number of Royal Air Force.

1. That a number of Air Forces, not exceeding 118,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, excluding those on the Indian Establishment, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Pay, &c., of the Royal Air Force.


2. That a sum not exceeding £14,670,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay, &c., of the Royal Air Force, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Works, Buildings and Lands.


3. That a sum not exceeding £4,250,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings and Lands, 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 1940.

Technical and Warlike Stores.

Vote 3. Technical and Warlike Stores.

4. That a sum not exceeding £16,870,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Technical and Warlike Stores, including Research and Development Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Civil Aviation.

Vote 8. Civil Aviation.

5. That a sum not exceeding £4,787,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Aviation which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Air Supplementary Estimate, 1938.

Vote A. Additional Number of Royal Air Force.

6. That an additional number of Air Forces, not exceeding 6,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, excluding those on the Indian establishment, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939.

Air Services.

7. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939 for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Air Services for the year.

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Schedule.

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Total, Air Services (Supplementary), 1938 £100,000,000

The First Resolution, being read a second time;

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

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

Wednesday, 15th March 1939:

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

Then the remaining 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 9th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the local Government Superannuation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 13th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the first and second resolutions which, upon the 7th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last, and which resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (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 Building Societies 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 Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production Bill [Lords], not 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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Limitation Bill [Lords], not 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 Wheat (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 Unemployment Insurance 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 Marking of Manufactured Goods 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 Disused Burial Grounds Act (1884) 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 Public Places (Order and Decency) 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 Companies Act (1929) 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 Building Societies Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time 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-six minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

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Wednesday, 15th March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Exeter Extension Bill was read the Exeter third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Chinese Command—Copy of Arrangements proposed Currency in regard to the Chinese Currency Stabilisation Fund.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 10th March 1939, entitling the Air-Raid Precautions (Compulsory Purchase) Provisional Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Report of visit of inspection to Criminal Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylums, 1938, by Commissioners, Board of Control.
Copy of Account of Moneys received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London in relation to the Metropolitan Cattle Market for the year ended 31st March 1938, also an Account of extraordinary works executed, other than general repairs, for the same period.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee on Control of Flying.

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

The Official Secrets Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Chanceller of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Stanley and Captain Wallace, presented a Bill to facilitate the establishment of a fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

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

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

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 Supply of the 7th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the First and Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 7th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

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

Reolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, and the Public Works Facilities Act, 1930, in respect of the parish of Ivybridge, in the rural district of Plympton St. Mary, in the county of Devon, which was presented on the 9th day of February 1939, be approved.—(Captain Austin Hudson.)

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords];

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. —(Captain Margesson.)

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

Thursday, 16th March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to Kirkcaldy Corporation to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Kirkcaldy Corporation: And Bill. the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed. Bill 87.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, by His Local Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Memorandum from the Local Government and Public Health Consolidation (Scotland) Committee for the Secretary of State for Scotland, in regard to disabilities of members of local authorities arising out of interest in contracts and other matters.

Mr. Secretary Colville also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for Scotland:—

Burgh of Grangemouth.

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

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act of Parliament to confer borrowing powers on the London Corporation of London as Port Health Authority (Various Powers) Bill, to amend the...
Public Health (London) Act, 1936; to vary the financial powers of the Corporation; to make provision as to legal quays and election expenses; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newbury) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

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

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newbury) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

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

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Secretary Colville, supported by the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland, and Mr. Scrymgeour Wedderburn, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to the disqualification for membership of county, town and district councils in Scotland, and to make provision with regard to the disability of members of such councils in relation to contracts and other matters in which they have a pecuniary interest; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Ernest Brown, Cotton Industry, Mr. Attorney-General, Captain Wallace, and Mr. Cross, presented a Bill to make provision for the better organisation of the cotton industry and certain industries related thereto; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir Robert Gower, supported by Sir Thomas Moore, Sir George Jones, Major Procter, Major Lloyd George, Mr. David Morgan Adams, Mr. Peel, and Mr. Mathers, presented a Bill to make it unlawful to have possession of any animal trained or prepared for use in fighting or baiting or of any instrument or appliance designed or adapted for use in connection with the fighting or baiting of any animal: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government the House. 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 Yeas, Mr. Munro, Mr. Furness:

272.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Groves, Mr. Charleton:

118.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply (Navy Estimates.)

The Order being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the House (for Committee on the Navy Estimates)—(Mr. Shakespeare);

An Amendment was proposed to be made Naval Reserves, to the Question by leaving out from the word Reserves, "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House recalling how the recent mobilisation of the Fleet demonstrated the importance of the Naval Reserves, emphasises the necessity of maintaining an adequate supply of personnel trained to the sea and available for naval purposes, and resolves that every effort should be made by means of peace-time training to increase the efficiency and preparedness of the men upon whom the country will rely for the necessary expansion of His Majesty's Fleet in time of war,"—(Commander Marsden),—instead thereof.

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

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Vote A. Numbers.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That 133,000 Officers, Seamen, Boys and Royal Marines be employed for the Sea Service, together with 976 for the Royal Marine Police, Royal Marines be employed for the Sea Service, borne on the books of His Majesty's Ships, and at the Royal Marine Divisions, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a number not exceeding 132,900 Officers, Seamen, Boys and Royal Marines, be employed on Fleet Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £17,540,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c., of Officers and Men of 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 1940.

Vote 1. Wages, &c., of Officers and Men of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, and Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

Vote 2. Victualling and Clothing for the Navy.

Vote 3. Medical Establishments and Services.

Vote 4. Work, Buildings and Repairs at Home and Abroad.

Vote 5. Miscellaneous Effective Services.


Vote 7. Non-Effective Services (Naval and Marine)—Officers.

Vote 8. Non-Effective Services (Naval and Marine)—Men.


Vote 10. Additional Number for the Navy.

Vote 11. Additional Number for the Navy.

Vote 12. Additional Number for the Navy.

Vote 13. Additional Number for the Navy.

Vote 14. Additional Number for the Navy.

Vote 15. Additional Number for the Navy.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ended on the 31st day of March
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the First and Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 7th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last, and which Resolutions were then postponed.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant March; 

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Superannuation 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 13th day of this instant March; 

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 

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

The Order of the day being read, for the First and Second Readings of the Unemployment Insurance 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 Unemployment Insurance 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 Limitation 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 Wheat (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 Wheat Protection 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 China (Currency Stabilisation) Bill; 

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits 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 twenty minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Charles MacAndrew Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of the Public Health (Coal Mines Refuse) (Scotland) Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker.

16th March 1939.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

Willenhall
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Contingencies
Fund, 1937.

Mr. Ellis Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 15th March 1939, authorising the landing at London from Australia of Pedigree Rams, and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto (Order No. 5,836).

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 made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and amended and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Sheffield.

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

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colchester) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newbury) 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 Kirkcaldy Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

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

Sir Reginald Downman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 15th March 1939, authorising the landing at London from Australia of Pedigree Rams, and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto (Order No. 5,836).

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

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

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1937, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1938; (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. —(Captain Wallace.)

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Riding Establishments (Registration and Inspection) 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. Charles Williams.)

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

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Sir Thomas Moore rose in his place, and Closure claimed to move, That the Question be now claimed. Assent put; but Mr. Speaker witheld his assent, as withheld, and he thought the House was prepared to come to Reason given, a decision without that Motion.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the "Commander Tufnell, Yeas, {Captain Heilgers : } 119. Tellers for the "Mr. Tinker, Noes, {Mr. Ellis Smith : } 88.

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 resuming Coal Mines the adjourned Debate on the Amendment Bill, which, upon the 3rd day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Coal Mines Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Contra- the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed ciptives (Regulation) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Haile Second Reading of the Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then nine minutes 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. 68.]

Monday, 20th March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Sir Louis William Smith, Knight, late Member for the Hallam Division of Sheffield, and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

The Kirkcaldy 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.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statements made on behalf of His Majesty’s Government during the year 1918, in regard to the Future Status of Certain Parts of the Ottoman Empire.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Trade Agreement between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of India, signed in London, 20th March 1939.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Poor Law directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 8th March 1939, entitled the Public Assistance (Casual Poor) Amendment Order, 1939. (Copy of Regulations, dated 6th March 1939, Public Health entitled the Puerperal Pyrexis Regulations, (England), 1939.

Copy of Scheme, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Southend-on-Sea (Chalkwell) Planning Act, 1932. Scheme.

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

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for the expenses of the Royal Ordnance Factories, the cost of the productions of which has been charged to Army, Navy, Air Force, &c, for the year ended 31st March, 1938, and the Manufacturing Accounts for the same year, also the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Annual Accounts of Shipbuilding Navy and Ship Repairing in His Majesty’s Dockyards and by contract, and of other Dockyard Transactions, for the financial year 1937, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Road Accidents involving death or personal injury in which vehicles and horses were concerned and known injury, by the police to have occurred in streets, roads, or public places, together with the number of persons killed or injured by such accidents, in Great Britain during the year ended the 31st day of December 1938 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 102, of Session 1937–38).—(Captain Austin Hudson.)

Mr. Elliot, supported by Mr. Secretary Colville, Camps Bill. Mr. Bernays, Mr. Scrymgeour Wedderburn, and Mr. Lindsay, presented a Bill to promote and facilitate the construction, maintenance and management of camps of a permanent character: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this day, notwithstanding anything the House:—

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock, and that the Proceedings on the Reports of Supply of 16th March, 23rd February and 7th March may be considered, and Business other than Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1938, and the Re-ports [23rd February and 7th March] of Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1938, may be considered, and Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock, 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);
The House divided.

The Yea vote was 287.
The No vote was 98.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Navy Estimates, 1939.

Vote A. Numbers.

1. That 133,000 Officers, Seamen, Boys and Royal Marines be employed for the Sea Service, together with 756 for the Royal Marine Police, borne on the books of His Majesty’s Ships, and at the Royal Marine Divisions, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Vote B. Wages, &c., of Officers and Men of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, and Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

2. That a sum not exceeding £17,540,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c., of Officers and Men of 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 1940.

Vote C. Works, Buildings and Repairs at Home and Abroad.

3. That a sum not exceeding £2,265,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings and Repairs at home and abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants and other Charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Vote D. Victualling and Clothing for the Navy.

4. That a sum not exceeding £3,323,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of Victualling Establishments at home and abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Vote E. Medical Establishments and Services.

5. That a sum not exceeding £597,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Medical Services, including the cost of Medical Establishments at home and abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Vote F. Miscellaneous Effective Services.

6. That a sum not exceeding £3,516,800 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of various Miscellaneous Effective Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

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Ordered, That the Resolutions which upon the 14th day of this instant March were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which were then agreed to by the House, be now read: And the same were read as follow:

That a number of Land Forces, not exceeding 185,700, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, exclusive of India and Burma, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

That a number of Air Forces, not exceeding 185,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, exclusive those on the Indian Establishment, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide, during twelve months, for the discipline and regulation of the Army and the Air Force; and that Mr. Secretary Horace-Belisha, Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, Mr. Shakespeare, Sir Victor Warrender, and Captain Balfour do prepare and bring in.

Sir Victor Warrender accordingly presented a Bill to provide, during twelve months, for the discipline and regulation of the Army and the Air Force: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the First and Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 7th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last, and which Resolutions were then read a second time and postponed.

The First Resolution, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £14,400 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939, for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the China Second Reading of the China (Currency Stabilisation) 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. Ellis Smith.)

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.

The Bill was read a second time.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His China (Currency Stabilisation) [Money], proposed to move, under Standing Order No. 69, in the subject-matter of the Motion relating to China (Currency Stabilisation) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

Resolved, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to facilitate the establishment of a fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of—

(i) any sums, not exceeding in the aggregate five million pounds, required by the Treasury to reimburse to certain banks any amount by which the sums received by them on the winding-up of the said fund are shown to fall short of the amount of the contribution made by them to the said fund; and

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

Ordered, That the Bill be to the consideration of the House.

The Bill was read a second time.

(Captain Waterhouse.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His China (Currency Stabilisation) [Money], proposed to move, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to facilitate the establishment of a fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar, it is expedient to authorise—

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(i) any sums, not exceeding in the aggregate five million pounds, required by the Treasury to reimburse to certain banks any amount by which the sums received by them on the winding-up of the said fund are shown to fall short of the amount of the contribution made by them to the said fund; and

Vote 2. Diplomatic and Consular Services.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,859,887 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 1939, for the expenses in connection with His Majesty's Embassies, Missions and Consular Establishments abroad, and other expenditure chargeable to the Consular Vote; certain special grants and payments, including grants in aid; and sundry services arising out of the war.
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 Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill, presented at any time not later than five clear days after the Second Reading of the Bill, be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That Petitions against the Bill may be deposited in the Committee and Private Bill Office, provided that such Petitions shall have been prepared and signed in conformity with the Rules and Orders of this House relating to Petitions against Private Bills.

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.—(Mr. Attorney-General.)

Ways and Means.

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

(In the Committee.)

Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund).

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law with respect to the manner in which the public trustee may deal with certain trust moneys, to confirm the legality of certain dealings by the public trustee with such moneys and to require certain moneys in the hands of the public trustee to be paid into the Exchequer, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Exchequer of all such sums as may become payable into the Exchequer under the said Act.—(Mr. Attorney-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 this day.

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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, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the House be called back.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Ways and Means, the Report of the Committee was received this day.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Amendment (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government Superannuation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government Superannuation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Ways and Means of the 16th day of this instant March; Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Superannuation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (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 Census of Production Bill [Lords], not 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 Census of Production Bill [Lords], not 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 Limitation 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 the Second Reading of the Wheat (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 Unemployment Insurance Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the British Gas Light Company, Limited, with respect to the Fenny Stratford undertaking of that Company, which was presented on the 23rd day of February and published, be approved.-(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the British Gas Light Company, which was presented on the 23rd day of February and published, be approved.-(Mr. Cross.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Highways Protection 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 Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords];
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. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then four minutes before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

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[No. 69.]

Tuesday, 21st March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following announcement to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of the Right Honourable James Brown, O.B.E., late Member for the County of Ayr and Bute (South Ayrshire Division), and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

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

Newquay and District Water Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no applicable Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Sea Fisheries Provisional Order (Tollesbury and West Mersea) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Southampton Harbour [Lords].
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Captain Austin Hudson presented a Bill to South Shields Corporation, confirm a Provincial Order made by the Corporation (Trolley Vehicles), under the South Shields Corporation Act, 1935, relating to South Shields Corporation Trolley Vehicles: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.
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Palestine.

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Report of a Committee set up to consider certain correspondence between Sir Henry McMahon, His Majesty's High Commissioner in Cairo, and the Sharif of Mecca, in 1915 and 1916.

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

Medical Acts.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of the Income and Expenditure of the General Medical Council and of the Branch Councils, and apportionments of the amounts payable to the General Council by the Branch Councils for 1938.

Dentists Acts.

Account of the Income and Expenditure of the Dental Board of the United Kingdom for 1938.

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

Shops Acts.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Borough of Dagenham.

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

Trade Boards Acts.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st March 1939, entitled the Trade Boards (Rubber Manufacturing Trade, Great Britain) (Constitution and Proceedings) Regulations, 1939.

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th March 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 16) (Croydon) Regulations, 1939.

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

London Traffic Act, 1924.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 2nd March 1929, entitled the Public Service Vehicles (Licences and Certificates) (Amendment) Provisional Regulations, 1939.

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

Read Traffic Acts.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Swansea Planning Scheme No. 2.

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

Standing Committee C. Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill. Title amended.

Sir Lambert Ward reported from Standing Committee C: That they had gone through the Adoption of Children Act, 1926, and section two of the Adoption of Children (Scotland) Act, 1930; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid:

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 28th day of April next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee 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 Bacon Industry (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the limits of supply of The Conway Gas Company Limited; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Conway Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported Czecho-Slovakia, by Captain Wallace and Mr. Butler, presented a Bill to postpone the making of payments out of Banking of certain banking accounts and certain transfers of securities and gold connected with the Czecho-Slovak Republic; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid:

And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Burgin reported from the Committee of Supply [4th Supply of the 13th day of this instant March, 1940] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, 1939 (Vote on Account).

That a sum not exceeding £191,580,000 be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for the following Civil and Revenue Departments (including Air Raid Precautionary Services, Education and Broadcasting, Pensions, Insurance, Roads and other Grants, and Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues) for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, viz.:

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<td>Superannuation and Retired Allowances</td>
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Class IX.

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Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues, England and Wales 18,000,000
Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues, Scotland 2,350,000
Total for Civil Estimates 157,680,000

Revenue Departments.

Customs and Excise 2,100,000
Inland Revenue 2,800,000
Post Office 26,000,000
Total for Revenue Departments 33,900,000

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by leaving out " £191,580,000 ", and inserting " £191,579,900 "; (Mr. Grenfell), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That " £191,580,000 " stand part of the Resolution;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ways and Means (16th March) Report.

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

1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ended on the 31st day of March 1938, the sum of £10 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

2. That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1939, the sum of £5,211,589 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

3. That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, the sum of £315,416,300 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

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

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions; and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Captain Wallace do prepare and bring it in.

Captain Wallace accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, and one thousand nine hundred and forty: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Camps Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army and Air Force Air Force (Annual) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the China Committee on the China (Currency Stabilisation) Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production Bill [Lords], not 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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Limitation Bill [Lords], not 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 Wheat (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 Unemployment Insurance 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 Marking of Manufactured Goods 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 Disused Burial Grounds Act (1884) 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 Public Places (Order and Decency) 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 Companies Act (1929) 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 Building Societies Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.


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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Cyril Entwistle Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill.  
E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

21st March 1939.

[No. 70.]

Wednesday, 22nd March 1939.

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

P R A Y E R S.

Mr. Speaker made the following communi- 
ation to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Sir Sidney Herbert, Baronet, late Member for the Borough of Westminster, Abbey Division, and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

The Sea Fisheries Provisional Order (Tollesbury and West Mersea) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract Account of Receipts of, and Payments by, the Treasury Solicitor in 1938, 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.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the British directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 9th March 1939, entitled the Kenya Colony Order in Council, 1939.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 9th March Foreign 1939, made under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, Jurisdiction entitled—

(1) the Qatar Order in Council, 1939;  
(2) the Emergency Powers Order in Council, 1939;  
(3) the Nyasaland Order in Council, 1939;  
(4) the Zanzibar Order in Council, 1939.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 9th March Greenwich 1939, approving an Admiralty Memorial under Hospital Acts, the Greenwich Hospital Acts.

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order dated 16th March 1939, entitled the Milk Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1939.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th March 1939, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Teachers) Regulations, 1939.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Sir James Edmondson.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alexander Russell reported from the Committee on Group A 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.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Staffordshire Joint Hospital District) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Blackburn) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hastings) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Leyton) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Extension) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to constitute and incorporate the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes and to vest in them the properties formerly vested in The Trustees for Wesleyan Methodist Chapel Purposes (Registered) or in The Trustees for United Methodist Church Purposes Registered; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Methodist Church Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Czecho-Slovakia (Restrictions on Banking Accounts, &c.) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Mr. 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 Czecho-Slovakia (Restrictions on Banking Accounts, &c.) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to postpone the making of payments out of certain banking accounts and certain transfers of securities and gold connected with the Czecho-Slovak Republic, it is expedient to authorise the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of any money required by the Treasury for the purpose of any indemnity given under the said Act.—(Captain Wallace.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill, 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 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 Supply Committee on Supply.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 China (Currency Stabilisation) Bill.

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

Captain Wallace reported from the Committee on China (Currency Stabilisation) Bill.

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to facilitate the establishment...
of a fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of—

(i) any sums, not exceeding in the aggregate five million pounds, required by the Treasury to reimburse to certain banks any amount by which the sums received by them on the winding-up of the said fund are shown to fall short of the amount of the contribution made by them to the said fund; and

(ii) any sums required by the Treasury for the fulfilment of any guarantee of the payment to any such bank of interest on the amount of the contribution made by the bank to the said fund; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums receivable by the Treasury on the winding-up of the said fund.

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

Captain Wallace reported from the Committee of Ways and Means (20th March) Report, that, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law with respect to the manner in which the public trustee may deal with certain trust moneys, to confirm the legality of certain dealings by the public trustee with such moneys and to require certain moneys in the hands of the public trustee to be paid into the Exchequer, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Exchequer of all such sums as may become payable into the Exchequer under the said Act.

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

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill.

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

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

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Jarrow Corporation Bill;

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pur. Police pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament. (Counties and Boroughs.) and Bermuda on the 21st January 1939.

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

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood also presented, by Air Ministry His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Report by the Chief Inspector of Accidents on the loss of the aircraft “Cavalier,” between New York and Bermuda on the 21st January 1939.

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

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Import Command, — Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 1st March 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 1) Order, 1939.

Captain Wallace also presented, — Return to Civil Contingencies Fund, 1937. No. 84.

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to Import Duties the directions of several Acts of Parliament. — Copy of Order, dated 23rd March 1939, made under the Finance Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 1) Order, 1939.

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Report by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries on the River Trent Catchment Board (Appeal against Precept) Order, 1939.

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 Schedule containing a list and particulars of certain classes of documents existing or accruing in the National Portrait Gallery which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Account of the Unemployment Assistance Fund, established pursuant to Section 44 (1) of the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1934, showing the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 1938; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of the Cattle Fund and Livestock Commission, showing the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 1938; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Special Areas Fund, established pursuant to Section 3 (1) of the Special Areas (Development and Improvement) Act, 1934, showing the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 1938; and Accounts of the Receipts and Payments of the Commissioner for the Special Areas in England and Wales, and of the Commissioner for the Special Areas in Scotland, prepared in accordance with Section 3 (5) of the Act, for the year ended 31st March 1938; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had appointed the following Member to serve on Standing Committee C:—Mr. Charles Taylor.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Sir Frank Sanderson; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Buchanan.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill:—Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Beechman, Colonel Clarke, Mr. Crooke-Ellis, Mr. Crosier, Mr. Edwards, Miss Lloyd George, Mr. Jagger, Mr. Keeling, Sir Adam Maitland, Mr. George Morrison, Mr. Robert Morrison, Mr. Radford, Mr. Salt, Mr. Solicitor-General, Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland, Commander Tuffnell, Mr. Westwood, Miss Wilkinson, and Earl Winterton.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) Bill):—Rear-Admiral Beamish, Mr. Hulbert, Sir John Leigh, Mr. Hamilton Kerr, Colonel Mayhew, Mr. Selley, Mr. Storey, Mr. Wise, Mr. Wragg, and Mr. York.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brooke Smith reported from the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons): That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed him to make to the House.

And the Special Report was brought up and read.

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 Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Kirkcaldy Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

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

Sir John Anderson, supported by Mr. Chan, Civil Defence M. Hulbert, Sir John Leigh, Mr. Robert Morrison, Mr. William Morrison, presented a Bill to make further provision for civil defence and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Scrymgeour Wedderburn reported from the Committee on Czechoslovakia (Restrictions on Banking Accounts, &c.) [Money], a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to postpone the making of payments out of certain banking accounts and certain transfers of securities and gold connected with the Czechoslovak Republic, it is expedient to authorise the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of any money required by the Treasury for the purpose of any indemnity given under the said Act.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved Czechoslovakia (Restrictions on Banking Accounts, &c.) Bill.

Hoare, Mr. Elliot, Mr. Burgin, and Mr. William Morrison, presented a Bill to make further provision for civil defence and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Brooke Smith reported from the Select Committee on the Czecho-Slovakia (Restrictions on Banking Accounts, &c.) Bill.

(Orders.)

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

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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.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker).

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Certificate. 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.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker).

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 Camps 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Superannuation 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 Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Urban District of Barry.

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

Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords.] Bill 98.

The Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

China (Currency Stabilisation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the China (Currency Stabilisation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Powers of Treasury).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, 1, 2, after the word “interest,” to insert the words “at a rate not exceeding two and three-quarters per cent.” —[Mr. Pethick-Lawrence.]

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 
Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, { Mr. Mathers ; } 33.
Mr. Munro ; }

Tellers for the 
Major Herbert, Noes, { Mr. Munro ; } 72.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

Wheat (Amendment) Bill.

The Wheat (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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The Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Grimston.)

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

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

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

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, by His Majesty's Wheat Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Wheat (Amendment) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Wheat Act, 1932, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses of any committee appointed under the said Act of the present Session to report as to the desirability of making any alteration in the price which is for the time being specified as the standard price of home-grown millable wheat for the purposes of the Wheat Act, 1932, and of any committee so appointed to advise the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Secretaries of State concerned with agriculture in Scotland and Northern Ireland, respectively, as to matters relating to their functions under the Wheat Act, 1932, and the said Act of the present Session;

B. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any sums payable under the said Act of the present Session by the Wheat Commission to a Government department.

—(Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith.)

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Grimston.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Monday, 27th March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Death of a Member. Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Edward Anthony Strauss, Esquire, late Member for the Borough of Southwark (North Division), and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

Mines Department. Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Summary of Output, and of Costs of Production, Proceeds, and Profits of the Coal Mining Industry for the quarter ended 31st December 1938.

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

Merchant Shipping Acts (Dispensing Powers.) Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of the cases in which they have exercised their powers under Section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, during 1938.

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

Marketing Boards, &c. (Penalties.) Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Departmental Committee on the imposition of Penalties by Marketing Boards and other similar bodies.

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

Naval Savings Banks. Mr. Shakespeare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Deposits in Naval Savings Banks, and the payments thereof and the interest thereon, &c., during the financial year 1937.

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

National Health Insurance. Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd February 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

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

Planning Act. Copy of Scheme, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Rayleigh Planning Scheme.

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

Selection (Standing Committees). Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Charitable Collections

Regulation) Bill;—Mr. Attorney-General and Mr. Crozier; and had appointed in substitution: The Lord Advocate and Sir Joseph Lamb.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Czecho-Slovakia (Restrictions on Banking Accounts, &c.) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Cancer Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Cancer Bill, Lords to the Cancer Bill be taken into Bill 99. consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Lords have agreed to the Czecho-Slovakia (Restrictions on Banking Accounts, &c.) Bill.


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. Defence Loans Act, 1939.
6. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (South Staffordshire Joint Hospital District Act) Act, 1939.
7. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Blackburn) Act, 1939.
8. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Hastings) Act, 1939.

10. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (South West) Act, 1939.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant Royal Assent.

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10. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (South West) Act, 1939.
10. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Luton Extension) Act, 1939.


And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill.

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the better organisation of the cotton industry and certain industries related thereto, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient—

1. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament to the Cotton Industry Board constituted under the said Act, in respect of each of the five years beginning with the year nineteen hundred and forty, of contributions towards expenses incurred by the said Board in the exercise of their powers—

(a) to conduct, and to promote or encourage, research and investigation in matters relating to the consumption of products of the industry as defined by the said Act, and

(b) to take measures for increasing the consumption of such products, so, however, that such contributions in respect of any year shall not in the aggregate exceed one-half of such expenses for that year or forty thousand pounds, whichever is the less;

2. To authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of moneys provided by Parliament, to the board administering any scheme under the said Act which is therein referred to as a redundancy scheme, of such sums as may, by virtue of the said Act or any order of the Board of Trade thereunder, be payable by the Board of Trade for the purpose of securing that the revenue of the board administering the scheme is sufficient to enable them to meet their liabilities in respect of money borrowed by them and to defray their other expenses;

3. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of the United Kingdom of any sums which, in accordance with the said Act or any order of the Board of Trade thereunder, are paid to the Board of Trade by the board administering such a scheme as aforesaid; and

4. To authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of the administrative expenses incurred by the Board of Trade for the purposes of the said Act.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

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.

Colonel Kerr reported from the Committee Wheat on Wheat (Amendment) [Money, a Resolution; (Amendment) [Money.] which was read, as follows:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Wheat Act, 1932, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses of any committee appointed under the said Act of the present Session to report as to the desirability of making any alteration in the price which is for the time being specified as the standard price of home-grown millable wheat for the purposes of the Wheat Act, 1932, and of any committee so appointed to advise the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Secretaries of State concerned with agriculture in Scotland and Northern Ireland, respectively, as to matters relating to their functions under the Wheat Act, 1932, and the said Act of the present Session;

B. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any sums payable under the said Act of the present Session by the Wheat Commission to a Government department.

The said 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;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Camps Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Superannuation Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) 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 Unemployment Insurance 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 Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) 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 Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (1921) Amendment Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 25th day of April next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to. 
Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

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.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
Tuesday, 28th March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Death of a Member.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Sir George Harvey, Knight, late Member for the Borough of Lambeth (Kennington Division), and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and sympathise with the relatives.

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

- City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords].
- Conway Gas Bill [Lords].
- Methodist Church Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Wellingborough Gas Light Company, Limited.

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

Shops Acts.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Borough of Wembley.

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

Universities (Scotland) Acts.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance No. 199 (Glasgow, No. 48) (Foundation of the Chair of Christian Ethics and Practical Theology).

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

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Sir Alexander Russell reported from the All Hallows Committee on Group A of Private Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the All Hallows Lombard Street Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Sir Alexander Russell further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Sir Alexander Russell reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bristol Waterworks Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Sir Alexander Russell further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Sir Cyril Entwistle reported from Standing Committee C: That they had gone through the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 5th day of May next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the 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 followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Mumbles Pier Act to confer further powers on the South Wales Transport Company Limited with respect to their Mumbles Pier undertaking; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Mumbles Pier Bill [Lords] was read the Mumbles Pier first time.

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

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported Building by Mr. Secretary Coleville, Mr. Elliot, Mr. Secretary Attorney-General, and Captain Wallace, presented a Bill to declare and amend the law as to the making of advances by building societies, as to the security taken for advances made by such societies, as to the payment of commissions in connection with the business of...
such societies and as to the liability of persons concerned in the administration of such societies; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: and the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Consideration of the Lords Amendment to the Cancer 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 [Captain Watertouse], [Captain Dugdale]: 273.

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves], [Mr. Charleton]: 132.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the registration of hairdressers and to regulate the practice of hairdressing; and for the purposes connected therewith: and that Sir Robert Tasker, Sir John Haslam, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Temple Morris, Mr. Magnay, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Barr, Mr. Moreing, and Colonel Baldwin-Webb do prepare and bring it in.

Sir Robert Tasker accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the registration of hairdressers and to regulate the practice of hairdressing; and for the purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Unemployment Insurance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Ernest Brown, 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 [Money], proposed to be moved, under the Motion relating to Unemployment Insurance, 1939, laid before this House on the ninth to 1938. Resolution in pursuance of the provisions of subsection (4) of Section 59 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1935, be approved.—(Mr. Lennox-Boyd.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded Cancer Bill to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Cancer 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.

National Health Insurance Act, 1936, as so amended, and section eighteen of the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1936, which is attributable to the passing of the provisions of the new Act relating to holidays;

(2) any increase in the sums payable by virtue of sections twenty-one, ninety-four, and ninety-five of the principal Act which is attributable to the passing of the provisions of the new Act relating to Northern Ireland, employment on board His Majesty's ships and section ten of the Unemployment Insurance (Agriculture) Act, 1936;

(3) any increase in the expenses of the Minister of Labour under section seventy-seven and subsection (2) of section seventy-nine of the principal Act which is attributable to the passing of the provisions of the new Act empowering him—

(a) to provide training courses under the said section seventy-seven for—

(i) persons between the ages of sixteen and eighteen who are capable of and available for work but have no work or only part-time or intermittent work; and

(ii) seamen, marines, soldiers and airmen; and

(b) to make payments under the said subsection (2) to persons attending a course referred to therein notwithstanding that it is provided only for persons who have not attained the age of eighteen years, except in the case of a course provided under section seventy-six of the principal Act.

---(Mr. Ernest Brown.)

Resolution to be reported.
Supply. Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three 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.

Name of Bill. Standing Committee.

Wheat (Amendment) Bill - - A
Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill - - - - - C

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Major Milner Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) Bill, in place of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Charles MacAndrew.

E. A. FrizRoy,
Speaker.

28th March 1939.

Wednesday, 29th March 1939.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Calvillo presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of Building Costs. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Certificate dated 23rd March 1939, of the Minister of Transport, under the Railways (Agreement) Act, 1935.

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

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Merchant directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Receipts and Expenditure, under the Seamen’s Fund Winding-up Act, 1891, for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Shakespeare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Capital and Income of Greenwich Hospital and Travers' Foundation for the year ended 31st March 1939, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1937, by—

(1) the Hamersmith Borough Council;
(2) the Central Lancashire (Local Authorities) Joint Superannuation Committee.

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

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

Copy of Queen Anne's Bounty (Powers) Measure, 1939, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.

Copy of Seventy-eighth Report of the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Queen Anne's Bounty (Powers) Measure, 1939.

Copy of Ecclesiastical Officers Remuneration Measure, 1939, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.


The Deputy Chairman reported from the Sunderland Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Sunderland Corporation Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

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

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

The Lords have agreed to the China (Currency Stabilisation) Bill, without any Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Local Government Superannuation 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 [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas; Captain Bagdale :
(121.)

Tellers for the [Mr. Grosvenor, Noes; Mr. Mothers :]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assemly.


Mr. Speaker.

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several 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:

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to restore to the London County Council power to provide a service of passenger vessels on the River Thames and for purposes connected therewith,—(Mr. Alan Herbert); 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. 10; The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the Mr. Alan Herbert, Sir Edward Grigg: Mr. Higgs: So it was resolved in the Affirmative. Ordered, That Mr. Alan Herbert, Rear-Admiral Beazley, Mr. Crossley, Commander Marsden, Mr. Mabane, Sir Percy Harris, Sir Hugh Skey, Commander Fletcher, Sir Patrick Hannon, and Mr. Ross Taylor do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Alan Herbert accordingly presented a Bill to restore to the London County Council power to provide a service of passenger vessels on the River Thames and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Secrets Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking reorganisation into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Census of Production 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 Second Reading of the Marriage (Scotland) 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 Limitation 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 Second Reading of the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Bill (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 Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2 amended and agreed to.

Clauses No. 3 to No. 5 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 21st day of April next.

The Highways Protection Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Hugh O'Neill Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill.

E. A. FrrzRoy,
Speaker.

29th March 1939.

[No. 76.]

Thursday, 30th March 1939.

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 Sea Fisheries Provisional Order (Tollesbury and West Mersea) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
A Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum being offered to be presented.—(Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare).

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, by His Majesty's Command acquainted the House, that His Majesty, having been informed of the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The said Petition was brought up, and read; setting forth, That the only funds belonging to the Petitioners for the support of the British Museum and the British Museum (Natural History) consist of thirty thousand pounds Two and one-half per cent. Consolidated Annuities, the annual dividends whereof amount to seven hundred and fifty pounds; of a bequest of the eighth Earl of Bridgewater, the annual proceeds of which amount to about four hundred and one pounds; of a bequest of Lord Farnborough, the annual proceeds of which amount to about seventy-two pounds; of a bequest of the late Henry Louis Florence, the annual proceeds of which amount to about one hundred and seven pounds; of a bequest of the late Honorabl. Nathaniel Charles Rothchild, the annual proceeds of which amount to about four hundred and eighty-seven pounds; of a bequest of the late James Rose Vallentin, the annual proceeds of which amount to about three hundred and ninety-four pounds; and of one eighth of the proceeds of the James Mew Will Trust, amounting to about one hundred and forty-four pounds. That the establishment is necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned sums, and the Trust cannot with benefit to the public be carried on without the aid of Parliament; and praying the House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the Trust reposed in them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge as to the House shall seem meet.

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

Mr. Secretary Codsell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Amendment of the Aberdeen and District Milk Marketing Scheme, 1933.

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


Copy of Notes exchanged between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Chilean Government constituting a Temporary Commercial Agreement. Santiago, 9th January 1939.

Copy of Convention between His Majesty in respect of the United Kingdom and the Swiss Federal Council in regard to Legal Proceedings. London, 3rd December 1937. [Ratifications exchanged at Berne on 6th February 1938.]

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

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Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879.—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 30th March 1939, regarding the application of Surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year 1938, to meet the Deficits on other Navy Votes for the same year.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 30th March 1939, regarding the application of Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year 1938, to meet the Deficits on other Army Votes for the same year.

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

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of revised arrangements for increasing the demand for Milk within the area of the Milk Marketing Board for England and Wales by the supply of Milk in Schools at reduced rates.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local Government (Transfer Value) Regulations, 1939.

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

Copy of Provisional Regulations dated 18th March 1939, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Actuarial Valuations) Regulations, 1939.

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

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eleventh Report of the Board of Trade on the working of Part I of the Mining Industry Act, 1926 (Provisions for facilitating the reorganisation of the Coal Mining Industry).

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported standing from the Select Committee on Standing Orders Orders, several Resolutions; which were read as follow :

1. That, in the case of the Croydon Corporation [Lords.], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That, in the case of the Southampton Harbour [Lords.], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

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

Major Milner reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills: That they had gone through the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.
Sir Alexander Russell reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills: That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had nominated the following Three Members to serve on the Select Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill:—Mr. Ammon, Sir Alan Anderson, and Sir John Wardlaw-Milne.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Wheat (Amendment) Bill):—Mr. Acland, Mr. Alexander, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, Mr. Drew, Mr. Haslam, Captain Holgers, Mr. John, Sir Joseph Lamb, Mr. Maclay, Mr. John Morgan, Mr. Quibell, Mr. Ramsbotham, Sir Edward Ruggles-Brise, Captain Shaw, Sir Ernest Shepperson, Mr. Snadden, Sir John Train, Mr. Wedderburn, Mr. Thomas Williams, and Mr. Young.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Mr. Batey, Mr. Collindridge, Mr. Stephen Davies, Mr. Hunloke, and Mr. Mander; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Barss, Mr. Charles Brown, Mr. Burke, Mr. Graham White, and Mr. York.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill):—Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Buchan-Hepburn, Colonel Clarke, Mr. Trevor Cox, Mr. Cross, Mr. Rhys Davies, Sir Henry Field, Mr. Fleming, Mr. James Hall, Sir Percy Harris, Major Procter, Mr. Stuart Russell, Mr. Silverman, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Henry Strauss, Captain Strickland, Mr. Tolandson, Mr. Watson, Mr. Wedderburn, and Mr. Young.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had appointed the following Members to serve on Standing Committee D:—Mr. Beaumont, Mr. Beechman, Commander Boorer, Mr. Braithwaite, Colonel Burton, Mr. Close, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Crowder, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Rostron, Duckworth, Captain Elliston, Captain Arthur Evans, Sir Lindsey Everard, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Greffell, Major Guest, Captain Hambo, Mr. Hannah, Mr. Hayday, Mr. Thomas Henderson, Mr. Higgs, Mr. Hutber, Mr. Low, Mr. Liddall, Mr. Lipson, Mr. Mander, Mr. Markham, Colonel Mayhew, Mr. Robert Morgan, Mr. Peto, Major Royner, Mr. Ridley, Mr. Salt, Mr. Storey, Rear-Admiral Sir Murray Sueter, Mr. Tinker, Mr. Touche, Sir Richard Wells, and Mr. Windsor.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer powers upon the Corporations of Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton in regard to certain tramways in their respective boroughs and to empower the said [Lords.] Corporations to provide and work public service vehicles; to confirm an agreement between the said Corporations and the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Company Limited; and for other purposes, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport 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, to-morrow, the Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill was read and discharged.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee: And Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Secretary Coleville, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put: 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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Census of Production 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 Supply 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.

Civil Defence Bill.

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

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

Official Secrets Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

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

Limitation Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Limitation Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;

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

Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords];

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

Building Societies (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

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

Gas Undertakings Acts, 1929 to 1934.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1929 to 1934, on the application of the Bridport Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 13th day of March and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Gas Undertakings Acts, 1929 to 1934.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1929 to 1934, on the application of the Bath Gas Company, which was presented on the 13th day of March and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Ordered, That Mr. Benson, Mr. Owen Evans, Mr. Mabane, and Sir Asheton Pownall be Members of the Select Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill.—(Sir James Edmondson.)

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Sir James Edmondson);

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at four minutes before Ten of the clock, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Major Milner Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Wheat (Amendment) Bill.

E. A. FfrrzRoy,
Speaker.

30th March 1939.

[No. 77.]

Friday, 31st March 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Sea Fisheries Provisional Order (Tollesbury and West Mersea) 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 Wallace presented, pursuant to the Public Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 30th March 1939, regarding the application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year 1938, to meet the Deficits on other Air Votes for the same year.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by Charity Commission, His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-sixth Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, 1938.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare also presented, Metropolitan Police Staff, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order, respecting the Superannuation allowances of certain officers of the staff of the Metropolitan Police and Police Courts.

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

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the London directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Traffic Regulations, dated—

(1) 28th March 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 17) (Royal Circus, Lambeth) Regulations, 1939;

(2) 22nd March 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 18) (Charles Street (Mayfair) Westminster) Regulations, 1939;
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. 12 agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of Army Act, s. 76) brought up, and read the first time.

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

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government Superannuation Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Elliot, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Camps [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to promote and facilitate the construction, maintenance and management of camps of a permanent character, it is expedient—

(1) to authorise the Minister of Health and the Department of Health for Scotland to make out of moneys provided by Parliament payments, by way of grant or loan, to companies recognised for the purposes of the said Act, so, however, that the sum of any such grants and of the amounts outstanding in respect of the principal of any such loans shall not at any time exceed in the aggregate one million two hundred thousand pounds;

(2) to authorise payment to the Unemployment Assistance Fund out of moneys provided by Parliament of such additional contributions as may be necessary, in order to enable the Unemployment Assistance Board to make contributions to a company so recognised as aforesaid in respect of any additional expenditure incurred by the company, by reason of persons being employed by them in pursuance of an agreement with the Board under section thirty-seven of the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1934, as applied with modifications for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session;

(3) to authorise payment into the Exchequer of all sums received in repayment of the principal of any loan so made as aforesaid, or in respect of interest on any such loan.

—(Mr. Elliot.)

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.

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

(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes after Three of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords] and the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill are Bills relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bills will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Schedule containing a list and particulars of certain classes of documents existing or accruing in the National Insurance Audit Department which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Copy of Additional Rule, dated 18th February 1939, for the disposal of Documents which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

The Order for reading a second time to Protection Animals (No. 2) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday, the 19th day of this instant April.

Colin Norman Thornton-Kemsley, Esquire, New Member for the County of Aberdeen and sworn.

Kincardine (Kincardine and Western Division), was sworn.

Mr. De la Bère, supported by Colonel Flour Milling Sandeman Allen, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Hannah, Mr. Macquisten, Captain Alan Graham, Mrs. Tate, Sir Stanley Reed, and Major Braithwaite, presented a Bill to provide for the better protection of producers of wheat and users of wheat flour and wheat offals against exploitation by milling combines; for the establishment of a milling industry commission; and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of May next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Captain Margesson.)

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

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Ayr and Bute (South Ayrshire Division), in the room of The Right Honourable James Brown, o.b.e., deceased. (Mr. Poling.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, Report of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously required into compliance with.)
not previously inspired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

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

South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 1st March 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1939 and to the Additional Import Duties (No. 1) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order, dated 4th April 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order, dated 4th April 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 1) Order, 1939.

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

Mr. Burgis presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Eleventh Annual Report of the Central Electricity Board, for 1938.

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

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Additional Import Duties (No. 1) Order, 1939.

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

Captain Wallace also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 4th April 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of schemes made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled—

(1) the Hendon Planning Scheme No. 2;
(2) the Harrow No. 1 Planning Scheme.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Street and Road Tramways and Light Railways authorised by Act or Order, showing the amount of capital authorised, paid up and expended; the length of line authorised and the length open for traffic, and the number of cars owned at the 31st day of December 1938, in respect of companies, and the end of the financial year 1938-39, in respect of local authorities; the gross receipts, working expenditure, net receipts and appropriations, the transactions in reserve funds, and traffic and operating statistics for the year ended on the foregoing dates, respectively (in continuation of Return to an Order of the House, dated the 14th day of April 1938); also similar particulars relating to Trolley Vehicle Undertakings.—(Captain Austin Hudson.)

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Saint Nicholas Millbrook (Southampton) Church (Sale) Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: that they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the London Midland and Scottish Railway Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: that they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Sir Alexander Russell reported from the Dover Coal Dues (Abolition) Bill, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Dover Coal Dues (Abolition) Bill, but the same not having been proved, they had directed him to report the Bill without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee Selection of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Sir Adrian Baillie, Mr. De Chair, Mr.
Donner, and Mr. Charles Taylor; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Cyril Entwistle, Mr. Levy, Mr. Sutcliffe, and Mr. Herbert Williams.

Standing Committee C: Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill)—Colonel Clarke; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Hamilton Kerr.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision as regards Scotland for the prevention of damage to crops by deer or rabbits; to amend the law of Scotland relating to the rights of occupiers to kill game, and to the use of poison or spring traps or the use of firearms at night for the purpose of killing hares or rabbits; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act for conferring further powers on the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company for and effecting certain amendments of the Acts which regulate 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 Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Oswestry to execute street improvements and to acquire lands for that purpose and for purposes of their market undertaking; to confer further powers upon the Corporation in regard to their water electricity and markets undertakings; and the health local government and improvement 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 empower the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Tynemouth to acquire lands for the protection of their waterworks and to effect adjustments of the boundaries of their water limits; to confer further powers upon them and make further provision with respect to their Water and Electricity Undertakings; to make further provision for the local government and 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 powers upon the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Gosport relative to the acquisition and use of certain cliff lands and buildings and the pier and other premises at Lee-on-the-Solent in the said borough to extend the boundaries of the borough and to make further provision in regard to the undertakings of the said Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses and the health local government and improvement 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 make further provision with regard to the superannuation fund of the King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have appointed a Committee, consisting of Seven Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons, to consider the London Government Bill [Lords], and request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room 4 on Tuesday the 9th May at Eleven o'clock.

The Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords] was Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords] read the first time.

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The Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords] was Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords] read the first time.

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The Gosport Corporation Bill [Lords] was Gosport Corporation Bill [Lords] read the first time.

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

The King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Lloyd George reported from the Select Committee on Parliamentary Elections (Mr. Speaker's Seat): That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Sir Robert Young reported from Standing Committee B: That they had gone through the Access to Mountains Bill, and had amended Bill, the Title as followeth: A Bill to secure to the public access to mountains, moorlands and certain other land.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 103. Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 21st day of this instant April; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Civil Defence Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

(Captain Waterhouse.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Captain Waterhouse reported from the Committee on Camps [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to promote and facilitate the construction, maintenance and management of camps of a permanent character, it is expedient—

(1) to authorise the Minister of Health and the Department of Health for Scotland to make out of moneys provided by Parliament payments, by way of grant or loan, to companies recognised for the purposes of the said Act, so, however, that the sum of any such grants and of the amounts outstanding in respect of the principal of any such loans shall not at any time exceed in the aggregate one million two hundred thousand pounds;

(2) to authorise payment to the Unemployment Assistance Fund out of moneys provided by Parliament of such additional contributions as may be necessary, in order to enable the Unemployment Assistance Board to make contributions to a company so recognised as aforesaid in respect of any additional expenditure incurred by the company, by reason of persons being employed by them in pursuance of an agreement with the Board under section thirty-seven of the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1934, as applied with modifications for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session;

(3) to authorise payment into the Exchequer of all sums received in repayment of the principal of any loan so made as aforesaid, or in respect of interest on any such loan.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was 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 Committee on the Camps 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 Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Limitation into consideration the Limitation 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 Patents and Second Reading of the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn, Adjournment.

(Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute 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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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Major Milner Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Wheat (Amendment) Bill.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Captain McEwen Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill and the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker.
Corporation comiled previously Orders not (Standing [Lords] Private Bills (Winding-up) Companies and Bankruptcy Registry. Order Bill. Vehicles) inquired into referred "Nk/tR. Speaker laid upon the Table,--Report Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts. The South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed. Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,--Copy of Notes exchanged between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Turkish Government supplementary to the Trade and Clearing Agreement of 2nd September 1936. London, 1st March 1939. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,--Account of Receipts and Payments in respect of the Land Registry for the year ended 31st March 1939. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,--Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure on account of Bankruptcy and Companies (Winding-Up) Proceedings during the year ended 31st March 1939, prepared in accordance with Section 15 (1) of the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1926. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed. Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,--Copy of Order, dated 15th March 1939, making further provision for the granting of short service commissions in the Royal Air Force. 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 made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:— Borough of Gillingham:— Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the London directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Traffic Act, 1924. Regulations, dated 28th March 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 21) (Croydon) Regulations, 1939. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Mr. Elliot presented, by His Majesty's Central Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Central Advisory Water Committee. Consolidation and Amendment of the Law relating to Public Water Supply. Copy of Draft of a Water Undertakings Bill prepared by the Central Advisory Water Committee. Mr. Elliot also presented, pursuant to the Local directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by the Act, 1937. Rochester City Council. Copy of Scheme, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Sherborne Town Planning Scheme. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table. Colonel Muirhead presented, by His Majesty's India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Sir John Gilmour reported from the Select Official Committee on the Official Secrets Acts: That they had considered the matters to them referred and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them and an Appendix: And the Report was brought up and read. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the No. 101. Table; and be printed. Mr. Anneley Somerville reported from the Public Committee on Public Petitions: That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 2nd day of December last and the 1st, 7th and 8th days of March last, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Wheat Committee D (Amendment) Bill):—Mr. Acland, Mr. Alexander, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, Mr. Drew, Mr. Haslam, Captain Heiglers, Sir Joseph Lamb, Mr. Maclay, Mr. John Morgan, Mr. Price, Mr. Quibell, Mr. Ransbotham, Sir Edward Ruggles-Brise, Captain Shaw, Sir Ernest Shepperson, Mr. Snadden, Sir John Train, Mr. Wedderburn, Mr. Thomas Williams, and Mr. Young.
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Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, 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 further provision for civil defence it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(i) the new grants specified in Table I below in respect of the expenses there specified, being expenses incurred either before or after the passing of the said Act,

(ii) the increases in existing grants specified in Table II below, whether incurred before or after the passing of the said Act,

(iv) the compensation specified in Table IV below;

(b) the extension of the meaning of the expression "defence services" in section one of the Defence Loans Act, 1937;

(c) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received under the said Act of the present Session by any Government Department or the Electricity Commissioners.

TABLE I.

New Grants.

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TABLE III.

Expenses of Government Departments.

1. Expenses for the purpose of arrangements or in carrying out agreements—

(a) to secure that in the event of war facilities will be available for the treatment in hospital of casualties occurring in Great Britain from hostile attack; and

(b) for the training in advance in nursing of persons who express their willingness to offer their services in the event of war; and

(c) for the provision of a bacteriological service for controlling the spread of infectious disease in the event of war.

2. Expenses in or in connection with the acquisition or storage of equipment and other material with a view to the accommodation and maintenance of members of the civil population transferred from one area to another in the event of war or the imminence of war.

3. Expenses in or in connection with the acquisition and holding, or the making of arrangements for the acquisition and holding, and the storage, preservation and transport of stocks of plant and materials for the repair of roads, bridges and buildings damaged by hostile attack.

4. Administrative expenses, including expenses incurred in performing any functions transferred from a defaulting local authority.

TABLE IV.

Compensation.

1. Such compensation to such persons as may be determined by Parliament after the passing of the said Act of the present Session, being compensation payable where possession of any property is taken by any Government Department under the said Act of the present Session.
2. Compensation to, or to the dependants of, persons injured in peace time (at whatever date) in the course of being trained or exercised, or of training or exercising others, in respect of air-raid precautions, of being trained in nursing in pursuance of arrangements under the said Act of the present Session, or of acting in a voluntary capacity on behalf of a local authority in the exercise of the functions conferred or imposed on the local authority by or under the said Act of the present Session or the Air-Raid Precautions Act, 1937. (Mr. William Morrison.)

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Question put, and agreed to.

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 upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

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 on the Camps Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message of the 4th day of this instant April as relates to the appointment of a Committee on the London Government Bill [Lords] be now taken into consideration.—(Captain Margesson.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the Lords Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Seven Members be appointed to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords, to consider the London Government Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith, and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Committee was nominated of,—Mr. Beechman, Miss Cazalet, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Liddell, Major Milner, Mr. Robert Morrison, and Mr. Ross Taylor.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.—(Captain Margesson.)

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Marking of Manufactured Goods Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Places (Order and Decency) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Committee have power to acquaint them therewith, and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

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Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.—(Captain Margesson.)

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of December last, That the Contraceptives (Regulation) Bill be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Official Secrets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Hairdressers (Registration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hairdressers (Registration) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Thames River Steamboat Service Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames River Steamboat Service Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.

Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) 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.

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 thirteen minutes before One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Mr. Gordon MacDonald Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Marriage Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

5th April 1939.

[No. 81.]

Thursday, 6th April 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The All Hallows Lombard Street 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 proceeded to take into consideration the London and North Eastern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the United States Government regarding the Administration of the Islands of Canton and Enderbury. Washington, 6th April 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, the Air-Raid Precautions Act, 1937, Copy of Order, dated 6th April 1939, entitled the Air-Raid General Precautions Schemes (Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday 18th April; provided that if it is represented to Mr. Speaker by His Majesty's Government that the public interest requires that the House should meet at any earlier time during the Adjournment, and Mr. Speaker is satisfied that the public interest does so require, he may give notice that he is so satisfied, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and the Government Business to be transacted on the day on which the House shall so meet shall, subject to the publication of notice thereof in the Order Paper to be circulated on the day on which the House shall so meet, be such as the Government may appoint, but subject as aforesaid the House shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to the day on which it shall so meet, and any Government Orders of the Day and Government Notices of Motions that may stand on the Order Book for the 18th day of April or any subsequent day shall be appointed...
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for the day on which the House shall so meet; provided also that in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Chairman of Ways and Means, in his capacity as Deputy Speaker, be authorised to act in his stead for the purposes of this Resolution.—(The Prime Minister.)

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Five of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Lambert Ward Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Unemployment Insurance Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.
6th April 1939.

Notice given by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 6th April.

House of Commons.

I, Edward Algernon FitzRoy, Speaker of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice that I am satisfied, after consulting with His Majesty's Government, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time than the 18th day of April.

By virtue, therefore, of the Resolution of the House of Commons of the 6th day of this instant April, I now give notice that the House shall meet on Thursday, the 13th day of April.

Given under my hand this the 10th day of April 1939.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

[No. 82.]

Thursday, 13th April 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The following Paper, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Easter Adjournment, was delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 93:—

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 31st March 1939, relating to the Additional Import Duties (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order, dated 12th April 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-first Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Animals Acts, Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 6th April 1939, authorising the landing—

(1) at London from New Zealand of two Romney Marsh Rams (Order No. 5840);
(2) at Newport (Mon.) from Egypt of one Female Gazelle (Order No. 5841); and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto.

Copy of Order, dated 28th March 1939, entitled the Importation of Raw Cherries Order of 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the Under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Halifax.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled—

(1) the Hoddesdon Urban District Planning Scheme;
(2) the Sunderland Town Planning Scheme, No. 3.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the London directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Traffic Regulations, dated 4th April 1939, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 22) (South Lambeth Road) Regulations, 1939;
(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 23) (Wandsworth) Regulations, 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplementary Convention between His Majesty in respect of the United Kingdom and the President of the Turkish Republic regarding Legal Proceedings in Civil and Commercial Matters, Angora, 16th February 1939. [The Convention has not been ratified by His Majesty.]
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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 Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London Passenger Transport Board 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 Petitions for the following Bills, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Barnemouth Urban District Council [Lords].
Milford Haven and Tenby Water [Lords].
Saint Peter's Chapel Stockport [Lords].

Ordered, That the Reports be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The London and North Eastern Railway [Lords] and (Superannuation Fund) Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Waterworks Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third 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 Sunderland Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The following Paper, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Adjournment, was delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 93:

Copy of Provisional Scheme for the Reinsurance of the Marine Insurance Market in so far as concerns King's Enemy Risks on Cargoes destined for discharge in or shipped from the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Protocol amending the International Agreement of 8th June 1937, for the Regulation of Whaling. London, 24th June 1937. [The ratification of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom was deposited in London on 7th December 1938.]


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.:

Gosport Corporation Bill [Lords].
King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords].
Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords].
Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords].
Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

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.:

Gosport Corporation Bill [Lords].
King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords].
Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords].
Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords].
Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

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Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Kirkham Planning Scheme.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th March 1939, Contributory Pensions (References) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by—
(1) the Stepney Borough Council ;
(2) the Sunderland County Borough Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council and the Air Council for the Establishment and Constitution of an Association for the county of Middlesex, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921, and the Auxiliary Air Force and Air Force Reserve Act, 1924.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Borough of Brentford and Chiswick.

Copy of Regulations, dated 14th April 1939, Workmen's Compensation (Statistical Returns) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Civil Air Transport Services. His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Note by the Secretary of State for Air on the principal provisions proposed to be embodied in an Agreement with Imperial Airways, Limited, for the operation of regular air services between London and Brussels, London, Berlin and Warsaw, and London, Frankfurt and Budapest.

Copy of Note by the Secretary of State for Civil Air Transport Services. On the principal provisions to be embodied in an Agreement with Imperial Airways, Limited, for the operation of regular air services on certain routes in Europe.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the Mechanic directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 30th March 1939, declaring that the Load Line Convention has been applied to French Indo-China.
The House. Business of Committee Standing Committee C. Committee: That they had discharged the Standing Committees.)

Selection of Appeal.

Friendly Societies, &c.


Standing Committee C. Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C—Mr. Baxter, Major Guest, Mr. Harbord, Mr. Annesley Somerville, and Mr. York; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Eckerley, Mr. Peat, Mr. Porritt, Mr. Rickards, and Mr. Roeklands.

Standing Committee C. Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (addition, respect of the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill)—Mr. Hamilton Kerr; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Dodd.

Standing Committee D. Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D—Mr. Cluse, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Greasfold, Mr. Haygal, and Mr. Thomas Henderson; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Stephen Davies, Mr. Harbord, Mr. Richards, Mr. Riley, and Mr. Westwood.

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 Nos to the Left. Tellers for the 'Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, Colonel Kerr: 226. Tellers for the 'Mr. Groves, Noes, Mr. Maters: 112.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Wednesday, 19th April 1939:

The House accordingly resolved itself into Supply, the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.) Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, 1939.

Class I.

Vote 2. House of Commons.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £313,309 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the House of Commons:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson), put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy 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, this day, 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, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Civil Defence [Money];
Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (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 Building Societies 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Limitation Bill [Lords], not 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 Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) 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 Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Secrets Act (1926) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Places (Order and Decency) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Societies Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Coal Mines the adjourned Debate on the Amendment Bill, which, upon the 3rd day of March last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Coal Mines 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 resuming Contra- the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed atives (Regulation) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Voluntary Second Reading of the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill; Secrets Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Halle Second Reading of the Halle Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors Amendment Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed to be made to the Question, That pensions Act (Amendment) 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 Hairdressers (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames River Steamboat Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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-seven minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Robert Workman Smith a member of the Chairmen’s Panel, in the room of Captain John Helias Finnie McEwen, resigned.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.
18th April 1939.

[No. 84.]

Wednesday, 19th April 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Mumbles Pier Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

A Bill to regulate the expenditure on capital account and lending of money by the London County Council during the financial period from the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine to the thirtieth day of September one thousand nine hundred and forty and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Councils of the under-mentioned local authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Accrington;
Urban District of Northwich.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Undertakings Acts. Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of Middlesbrough.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local Government direction of several Acts of Parliament,—Government Superannuation Act, 1937, by 1937. the Cotswold District Joint Superannuation Committee.

Copy of Order, dated 11th April 1939, Poor Law entitled the Kingston-upon-Hull (Adjudicating Officers) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection:—That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Lord Colum Crichton-Stuart, and had Committee C appointed in substitution: Mr. Petherick.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colchester) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newbury) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Foot, supported by Sir William Jenkins, Local Authorities and Local Government, Sir Francis Fremantle, Mr. Hutchinson, and Captain Elliston, presented a Bill to make provision for the constitution of joint councils of representatives of local authorities and officers of local authorities and with reference to the functions of such councils; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid:—And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Local Government Election Bill, to provide for certain free postage during local government elections; and that Mr. (Free Parker, Mr. Ellis Smith, and Mr. Gordon Postage-) Macdonald do prepare and bring it in.
Local Government Elections (Free Postage) Bill. read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "whilst recognising the necessity for an amendment of the law relating to the operations of building societies, this House regrets that the legislation proposed contains no provisions for the greater protection of occupying owners against the erection and sale of houses below a satisfactory standard of construction,"—(Mr. Arthur Henderson)—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. {Colonel Harvie Watt.} 134.
The Noes. {Mr. Whiteley.} 87.

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. (Colonel Harvie Watt.)

Civil Defence [Money.]

Sir Victor Warrender reported from the Committee on Civil Defence [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision for civil defence it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(i) the new grants specified in Table I below in respect of the expenses there specified, being expenses incurred either before or after the passing of the said Act,

(ii) the increases in existing grants specified in Table II below,

(iii) the expenses of Government Departments specified in Table III below, whether incurred before or after the passing of the said Act,

(iv) the compensation specified in Table IV below;

(b) the extension of the meaning of the expression "defence services" in section one of the Defence Loans Act, 1937;

(c) the payment into the Exchequer of any surpluses received under the said Act of the present Session by any Government Department or the Electricity Commissioners.

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TABLE I.

New Grants.

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| Owners or occupiers of factory premises, mines (including quarries) and commercial buildings; employers generally (including public utility undertakers). | Reasonable capital expenses, in providing or securing provision of air-raid shelter—

(a) for persons living or working in or about the premises, mines or commercial buildings;

(b) for employees;

(c) in the case of dock or harbour undertakers, for employees and other persons likely to be found in the dock or harbour area. | The standard rate of income tax for the year 1939-40. |
| Railway undertakers. | Approved expenses on measures designed to secure the due functioning of the undertaking in the event of hostile attack. | Fifty per cent. or in the case of measures by dock or harbour undertakers for providing services not required from the undertaking apart from hostile attack or danger thereof, eighty-five per cent. |
| Occupiers of factory premises (including quarries) and public utility undertakers. | Approved expenses on measures designed to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack. | Fifty per cent. |
| | (a) the execution of works or the provision of accommodation, plant, materials or equipment (including stocks of stores) with a view to providing or maintaining essential railway services in the event of hostile attack; and

(b) the provision for persons employed by them on duties in connection with essential railway services of special protection or equipment to enable those services to be maintained during air-raids. | Fifty per cent. |

TABLE I.

Approved expenses on measures designed to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack.

(1) Approved expenses on measures designed to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack.

(2) Payments to other electricity undertakers of those undertakers' approved expenses in taking measures for securing the due functioning of their respective undertakings in the event of hostile attack.

(3) Approved expenses in acquiring, storing, insuring and maintaining stocks of plant and equipment (including wires and cables) with a view to those stocks being made available for temporary use by the board or other electricity undertakers in the event of damage consequent upon hostile attack; in making arrangements for the distribution in that event of any such plant and equipment; and in acquiring, storing and maintaining other property, and doing any thing, necessary or expedient for any of those purposes.

Dock or harbour undertakers. | Approved expenses on measures designed to provide facilities in the event of hostile attack for the collection of casualties occurring in the dock or harbour or on adjacent land, and the treatment of those casualties in first-aid posts. | Fifty per cent. |
| Occupiers of factory premises (including quarries) and public utility undertakers. | Approved expenses on measures designed to provide facilities in the event of hostile attack for the collection of casualties occurring in the dock or harbour or on adjacent land, and the treatment of those casualties in first-aid posts. | Fifty per cent. |

The standard rate of income tax for the year 1939-40. | Fifty per cent. | Fifty per cent. |
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Approved expenses incurred—

(a) in collecting and furnishing to His Majesty's Government information useful for the preparation of their plans for transferring the civil population in the event of war or the imminence of war, and accommodating and maintaining persons transferred;

(b) in taking in advance measures for any such transfer, accommodation or maintenance;

(c) in providing for the storage and preservation of material and equipment; and

(d) in taking part in carrying out any such plan.

Approved expenses in or in connection with the acquisition or storage of equipment and other material with a view to the accommodation and maintenance of members of the civil population transferred from one area to another in the event of war or the imminence of war.

Expenses in or in connection with the acquisition and holding, or the making of arrangements for the acquisition and holding, and the storage, preservation and transport of stocks of plant and materials for the repair of roads, bridges and buildings damaged by hostile attack.

Administrative expenses, including expenses incurred in performing any functions transferred from a defaulting local authority.

TABLE IV.

Compensation.

1. Such compensation to such persons as may be determined by Parliament after the passing of the said Act of the present Session, being compensation payable where possession of any property is taken by any Government Department under the said Act of the present Session.

2. Compensation to, or to the dependants of, persons injured in peace time (at whatever date) in the course of being trained or exercised, or of training or exercising others, in respect of air-raid precautions, or of being trained in nursing in pursuance of arrangements under the said Act of the present Session, or of acting in a voluntary capacity on behalf of a local authority in the exercise of the functions conferred or imposed on the local authority by or under the said Act of the present Session.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to make two Orders in Council under the Military Manoeuvres Acts, 1897 and 1911, drafts of which were presented to this House on the 8th day of February last.—(Sir Victor Warrender.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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.
Sheffield—Borough of
Prevention
of Fraud
(Investigations)
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 Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Harvie Watt.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Robert Smith Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill and the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

E. A. FITzROY, Speaker.
19th April 1939.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Sheffield (Hallam Division) in the room of Sir Louis William Smith, deceased.—(Captain Waterhouse.)

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.:—

Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Saint Nicholas Millbrook (Southampton) Church (Sale) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between the Governments of the United Kingdom, Canada, Commonwealth of Australia and New Zealand, and the Government of the French Republic regarding the Transfer to the French State of the Property in the Sites of British War Memorials. Paris, 28th December 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Traffic Act, 1934.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,— Copies of Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled—

(1) the Haslemere Planning Scheme;
(2) the Lake District (South) Joint Planning Scheme.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee Selection of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Burke, Colonel Clarke, Mr. Ede, Sir Committee A. Francis Fremantle, Mr. Joseph Henderson, Mr. Creech Jones, Mr. Latham, Captain Strickland, and Mr. Turtion; and had appointed in substitution: Major Braithwaite, Mr. Cluse, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Grenfell, Mr. Hayday, Mr. Thomas Henderson, Mr. Higgs, Dr. Howitt, and Mr. Sunmonds.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee A:—Twenty Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Unemployment Insurance Bill):— Mr. Baxter, Mr. Broad, Mr. Ernest Brown, Mr. Collindridge, Mr. Crowder, Mr. Foot, Sir Arnold Gridley, Mr. Guv, Miss Hansbrugh, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lennox-Boyd, Mr. Maclean, Mr. Macquisten, Sir Adam Maitland, Dr. Peters, Sir Eugene Ramsden, Mr. Salley, Mr. Solicitor-General, Captain Wallace, and Mr. Young.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:— Mr. Braithwaite and Mr. Eckersley; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Clarke and Sir Stanley Reed.
Standing Committee B.  
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Marriage Bill)—Viscountess Astor, Mr. Barr, Mr. Bernays, Sir Edmund Brocklebank, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Erskine-Hill, Miss Lloyd George, Sir Nicholas Grattan-Doyle, Mr. Joseph Henderson, Mr. Alan Herbert, Mr. Leonard, Mr. MacCorquodale, Mr. Mathers, Major Neven-Spence, and Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland.

Standing Committee D.  
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D—Commander Boner, Mr. Davidson, Major Oscar Guest, Mr. Higgs, and Mr. Mander; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Banfield, Mr. De la Bere, Colonel Heneage, Mr. Wilfrid Roberts, and Mr. Turton.

Standing Committee D.  
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Member from Standing Committee D (added in respect of the Wheat (Amendment) Bill)—Mr. Dreeve; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Huxtable.

Scottish Standing Committee.  
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill and the Marriage (Scotland) Bill) [Lords]:—Colonel Acland-Troyte, Mr. Hall-Caine, Major Colfax, Mr. Errington, Sir Gifford Fox, Mr. Kimball, Sir Merey Manningham-Buller, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Ross Taylor, and Lord Colum Crichton-Stuart.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Standing Committee A. Criminal Justice Bill.  
Major Lloyd George reported from Standing Committee A: That they had gone through the Criminal Justice Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill II.  
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

No. 103.  
Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Poultry Industry Bill.  
Bill II.  
Sir Reginald Dormion-Smith, supported by Mr. Secretary Colville, Mr. Ramsbotham, Captain Wallace, and Mr. Scrymgour Wedderburn, presented a Bill to secure improvement in the health and quality of live poultry, and in the marketing of poultry and eggs; for making better provision for securing the marking of preserved eggs, and the enforcement of the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 to 1938, as respects imported eggs; for regulating the importation of poultry and eggs; 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.

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); Vol. 194.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, 238. (Captain Dogsdale :] 238.

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes, 123. (Mr. Charlton :]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved Camps Bill itself into a Committee on the Camps Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to make payments for promoting camps).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, after the word " conditions ", to insert the words " subject to a maximum of three per cent. interest in respect of any loan."—(Mr. Creech Jones.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(4) Any agreement entered into by the appropriate Minister regarding the operations of a recognised company shall be presented to Parliament."—(Mr. Noel-Baker.)

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 [Sir James Edmondson, Yeas, 224. (Colonel Herbert :] 224.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Noes, ] 110. (Mr. Anderson :]

Clause No. 2 (Power to authorise recognised companies to purchase land compulsorily):—

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 22, at the end, to insert the words " including any land adjacent to the camp site and playing fields for the preservation of the amenities of the site."—(Mr. Mander.)

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out l. 39 to 41.—(Mr. Downer.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Exemption from building restrictions):—

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words " Provided that no
camp shall be constructed unless an architect experienced in planning work has been employed in connection with it."—(Mr. Mander.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 4 (Powers of Unemployment Assistance Board to make arrangements with recognised companies as to employment):—Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 19, at the end, to add the words,—

"(2) Any agreement with a recognised company in pursuance of this section shall be subject to a condition that the nature of the work to be performed shall not prejudice the working conditions recognised between employers and employed in the trades concerned in the construction or maintenance of the camps."—(Mr. Viant.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 5 agreed to.
Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.
Clause No. 7 agreed to.
A Clause (Annual reports to be made by a recognised company),—(Mr. Noel-Baker),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.
Another Clause (Use of camps),—(Mr. Roland Robinson),—brought up, and read the first time.
Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill 112. The Lords Amendment in p. 2, l. 6, after ("servant") insert ("or agent"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the object of the Special Entry, Amendment was to carry out the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 28, l. 56, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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And it appearing that the object of the Special Entry, Amendment was to carry out the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 30, l. 4, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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And it appearing that the object of the Special Entry, Amendment was 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.

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 Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Secrets Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill. Bill
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Committee on the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill.
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 86.]

Friday, 21st April 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Exeter Extension Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Exeter Extension Bill; and the same were 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.

Sunderland Corporation Bill.

The Sunderland Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Egyptian Guaranteed Loan of 1885.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Egyptian Guaranteed Loan of 1885 up to 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pensions (Governors of Dominions &c.) Acts.

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of Pensions granted under the Pensions (Governors of Dominions, &c.) Acts during the year ended 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) 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.

Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was made to the Bill. Vol. 194.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 7, by leaving out subsection (3), and inserting the words,—

"(3) After the commencement of this Act—

(a) no order shall be made under the power conferred by section eight of the principal Act making any provision whereby the time during which the killing and taking of wild duck or wild geese or any kind thereof is prohibited is to begin with any date later than the first day of February or end with any date earlier than the eleventh day of August, and

(b) no order shall be made under the power conferred by section nine of the principal Act exempting any county or any part or parts thereof from the operation of that Act as respects wild duck or wild geese or any kind thereof, and any order made under the said sections before the commencement of this Act shall cease to have effect if and in so far as it makes any such provision or exemption as aforesaid.

Provided that nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the making after the commencement of this Act of any such order as is mentioned in the next following subsection.

(4) The power of the Secretary of State under section eight of the principal Act shall include power to make an order, in pursuance of an application made under the said section after the commencement of this Act, providing that the time during which the killing and taking of wild duck and wild geese is prohibited shall begin with such date not later than the twenty-first day of February as may be specified in the order in such parts of the county or county borough to which the application relates, being parts contiguous to the low water mark of ordinary tides, as may be so specified,—(Sir Thomas Moore)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "earlier," in l. 15, stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

The remaining words were left out of the Bill.

And the Question being proposed, That the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill:—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 8, by leaving out the word "first," and inserting the word "fifteenth."—(Major Mills)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "first" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 36, by inserting after the word "to," the words "or within twenty miles of."—(Major Mills.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 22, by inserting after the second word "duck" the words "ferruginous duck, gadwall, garganey, golden eye."—(Major Mills.)

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And the Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That 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 Access to Mountains Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Protection of statutory water undertakers).—(Mr. Creech Jones).—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 32, by inserting, after the word "other than sheep-walks or cliff:"

—(Mr. Turton.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 17, by inserting, after the word "range," the words "gliding ground:"

—(Mr. Turton.)

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. Creech Jones, ] 43.

Tellers for the [Mr. Turton, ] 92.

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. 4, l. 32, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that no order shall be made in respect of any land to which regular public access has been permitted for a continuous period of ten years prior to the first day of January nineteen hundred and thirty-nine."

—(Mr. Mander.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 35, by leaving out from the word "water," to the end of the paragraph.—(Mr. Turton.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 38, by leaving out from the beginning to the end of l. 2, p. 11.

—(Mr. Turton.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "unintentional," in p. 10, l. 39, 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, l. 38, by leaving out the word "unintentional."—(Mr. Marshall.)

And the Question being put, That the words "unintentional" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Creech Jones, ] 86.

Tellers for the [Mr. Marshall, ] 70.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation of the People Acts (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then five minutes before 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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Monday, 24th April 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Death of a Member.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Morgan Jones, Esquire, late Member for the County of Glamorgan (Caerphilly Division), and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

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.

The Saint Nicholas Millbrook (Southampton) Church (Sale) Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Gosport Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of List of the Pensions granted during the year ended 31st March 1939, and payable under the provisions of Section 15 (1) of the Civil List Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of Amendments to Royal Warrant for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion, and Non-Effective Pay of the Army, 1931.

Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Supplementary Reserve, 1933, and Financial Instructions, 1931.

Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1936.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Captain Wallace presented.—Return to an Order dated the 20th day of March last relative to Road Accidents involving Personal Injury.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Thomas Inskip presented, by Newfoundland His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Annual Report of the Commission of Government of Newfoundland for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House.—Account Unemployment Insurance Fund, showing the nature and amount of the Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction Account of the National Debt at 31st March 1939, as Investments for moneys, forming part of the Unemployment Fund, paid over to them by the Ministry of Labour under Sections 58 (5) and 114 (9) of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1935.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee Selection Standing Committee A:—Mr. Roseitt; and had appointed in sub-committee Mr. Craven-Ellis.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Unemployment Insurance Bill):—Sir Eugene Ramsden and Captain Wallace; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Briscoe and Captain Crookshank.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee D: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D (added in respect of the Wheat (Amendment) Bill):—Sir John Train and Mr. Young; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Attorney-General and Mr. Solicitor-General.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

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 Kerr—Yea, Captain Dugdale: 240. Mr. Groves—Noe, Mr. Charleson: 96.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Civil Defence Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Transfer of functions of Secretary of State.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 23, to leave out subsection (3).—(Dr. Haden Guest.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir James Edw.ondson.]
Yes, [Colonel Herbert : 191.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves,]
Noes, [Mr. Adamson : 110.]

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Designation of premises.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, after the word "building," to insert the words "or land, garden, area, pathway appertaining thereto."—(Dr. Haden Guest.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words "or"

"(c) for use as an air-raid shelter for employees in factory premises, mines or commercial buildings, in cases where it is not possible to provide shelter upon such premises."—(Mr. Sandys.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(2) If the whole or any part of a commercial building shall be designated by a local authority for use as a public air-raid shelter or for use by the local authority in carrying out any of their civil defence functions there shall be set aside such provision of accommodation as shall enable the owner to provide air-raid shelter for the persons working or living in this commercial building."—(Dr. Haden Guest.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, after the word "any," to insert the words "local authority or."—(Mr. Edes.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Appeal from designation of premises).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 21, after the word "satisfied," to insert the words "after consulting the local authority by whom the premises were designated."—(Mr. Edes.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, at the end to insert the words "or that the date of designation shall be postponed to allow sufficient time for the provision of other shelters for persons displaced by designation."—(Mr. Alexander.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 31, to leave out the words "it appears to the local authority," and insert the words "the local authority satisfies the Minister that it is."—(Mr. Oswald Lewis.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 14, to leave out the word "fourteen," and insert the word "seven."—(Dr. Haden Guest.)

Question proposed, That the word "fourteen" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Designated premises to remain unaltered).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out lls. 35 to 39.—(Mr. Leonard.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted, to leave out, to the word "and," in l. 37, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Compensation where works are executed).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 17, after the word "land," to insert the words "or otherwise."—(Mr. Fleming.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 27, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided always that if the occupier can prove that the premises, building or land, had a value to him in excess of the annual value, having regard either to the nature of his business or to any other specific circumstances, such sums shall be calculated with reference to the diminution of the special value to the occupier and not merely to the diminution of the annual value."—(Mr. Fleming.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 34, after the word "restore," to insert the words "as far as practicable."—(Colonel Heneage.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 43, at the end, to add the words,—

"(4) Where, by reason of the execution aforesaid of any works the value of any premises, building, or land is impaired, the local authority shall, in case of failure to
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 Poultry Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Camps Bill into consideration the Camps 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 official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the official Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hunting (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House met at a quarter of Five of the clock.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, that their Address of the 19th day of April last, relative to Military Manoeuvres, 1939 (Military Manoeuvres Acts, 1897 and 1911) (Orders in Council), had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following answer:

I have received your Address praying that I will make two Orders in Council under the
Military Manoeuvres Acts, 1897 and 1911, drafts of which were presented to your House on the 8th day of February last. I will comply with your advice.

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, ordered on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.—:

London County Council (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.


Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 4th April 1939, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order dated 17th January 1939 and included in a volume entitled King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (1928), as amended by subsequent Orders.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Shops Acts.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County borough of Bolton.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Contributory Pensions.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th March 1939, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Northern Ireland Reciprocal Arrangements) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

National Health Insurance.

Copy of Regulations, dated 30th March 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Statutory Undertakers Total Exception) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sea Fish Industry Act, 1938.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 4th April 1939, entitled the White Fish Industry (Registration Fees) (Amendment) (Provisional) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of—

(1) Statement of Guarantees which the Treasury have given under the Trade Facilities Acts to completion of the scheme on 31st March 1927;

(2) Account up to the 31st March 1939 of total sums issued from the Consolidated Fund in fulfilment of guarantees given under the Trade Facilities Acts, and of the sums paid in or towards the repayment of any sums so issued;

(3) Statement of Conversion Loans guaranteed by the Treasury in pursuance of section 25 of the Finance Act, 1934, for the purpose of providing for the redemption of existing guaranteed loans;

(4) Account up to 31st March 1939, of any sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund in fulfilment of guarantees given under Section 25 of the Finance Act, 1934.

Copy of—

(1) Statement of Guarantees given by the Treasury during the year ended 31st March 1939, in pursuance of Section 29 (1) of the Coal Act, 1938, on loans proposed to be raised by the Coal Commission; and

(2) Account up to the 31st March 1939, of the total sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund for the purpose of Guarantees given by the Treasury under Section 29 (1) of the Act, or received by way of repayment of any sums so issued.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Captain Crookshank accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A—Mr. Petherick and Mr. Graham White; Committee A. and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Mander and Mr. Wragg.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers on the Presidents, Vice-Presidents Treasurer and Governors of the Infant Orphan Asylum; to change the name of the said Corporation; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the discontinuance and abandonment of the light railways authorised by the Merthyr Tydfil Light Railway Orders 1899 and 1914 and for the running of omnibuses by the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Merthyr Tydfil on the routes of such light railways; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Royal Wanstead School Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Local Authorities and Local Government Officers (Joint Councils) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, upon Monday next.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, supported by Mr. William Morrison, Mr. Solicitor-General, and Captain Balfour, presented a Bill to provide for the acquisition by the Secretary of State for Air of certain land in Middlesex, and for the stopping up of certain highways in Middlesex and Surrey; to confirm an agreement between the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London and the Secretary of State for Air relating to the extension of the site of Kenley Aerodrome; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be 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.

Business of the House.

Ways and Means.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

1. Resolved, That in lieu of the full duties of customs now chargeable on tobacco imported into the United Kingdom there shall, on and after the twenty-sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be charged the following duties, that is to say:—

Upon tobacco unmanufactured, viz., s. d.
- containing 10 lbs. or more of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof—unstripped - the lb. 11 6 unstripped - the lb. 12 6
- containing less than 10 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof—unstripped - the lb. 11 6 unstripped - the lb. 12 6

Upon tobacco manufactured, viz.,
- Cigars- the lb. 20 1
- Cigarettes- the lb. 16 7
- Cavendish or Negrohead- the lb. 15 9
- Cavendish or Negrohead manufactured in bond- the lb. 14 0
- Other manufactured tobacco- the lb. 14 0

Upon snuff—
- containing more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof- the lb. 13 4
- containing not more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof- the lb. 15 9

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. (The Prime Minister.)

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Sugar, &c. (Increased Customs Duties).

4. Resolved, That as from five o'clock in the evening on the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of customs on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharine shall be charged in accordance with the following provisions—

(a) for the full rates of customs duty set out in Part I of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1928, there shall be substituted the rates specified in Part I of the said Table;

(b) for the rates of duty on certificated colonial sugar set out in the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 1934, there shall be substituted the rates set out in Part II of the said Table, and any certificates issued under section one of that Act, whether before or after the passing of this Resolution, shall have effect accordingly.
Saccharin (including substances of a like nature) chargeable.

Glucose, solid

Molasses (except when delivered to a sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98°)

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Molasses (including all sugar and extracts from sugar which cannot be completely tested by the polariscope)—

if containing seven per cent. or more of sweetening matter - the cwt. 4 42 |

less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - the cwt. 3 2 |

not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - the cwt. 1 7 |

Part II.

Rates of Duty on Certificated Colonial Sugar.

| Article. | Rate of Duty. |
| Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 90° | s. d. |
| Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98° and not exceeding 99° | the cwt. 4 8 7 |
| Sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 76° | the cwt. 3 10 3 |
| Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 76° and not exceeding 98° | Intermediate rates varying between 1 11 2 and 3 11 3 per cwt. |

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Sugar (Drawbacks and Allowances).

Resolved, That where a duty of customs or excise has been paid in respect of sugar, molasses, glucose or saccharin at the higher rates for which provision is made by the foregoing Resolutions, drawbacks shall be paid and allowances shall be made as if in Part II of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1928, the following Tables were substituted for Table 1 and Table 2.

Table 1.

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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 96° produced from material on which the full duties of customs have been paid.</td>
<td>6s. 11d.</td>
<td>4s. 8.7d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98° produced from material on which the full duties of customs and allowances have been made as if the certificated colonial rates had been paid.</td>
<td>3s. 11.4d.</td>
<td>2s. 8.7d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 96° produced from material on which excise duty has been paid.</td>
<td>6s. 11d.</td>
<td>4s. 7.2d.</td>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98° produced from material on which excise duty has been paid.</td>
<td>3s. 11.4d.</td>
<td>2s. 7.2d.</td>
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<td>Any rate of duty.</td>
<td>5s. 11.1d.</td>
<td>3s. 11.1d.</td>
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Sugar, &c. (Increased Excise Duties).

Resolved, That as from five o'clock in the evening on the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the excise duties on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharin shall be at the rates specified in the following Table instead of at the rates theretofore chargeable.
Scale applicable in the case of Molasses produced in the United Kingdom from Material on which Duty has been paid.

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<th>Nature of Molasses.</th>
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<td>Containing more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>2 s. 6 d.</td>
<td>1 s. 9 d.</td>
<td>1 s. 9 d.</td>
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<td>Containing more than 60 per cent. but not more than 70 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>4 s. 9 d.</td>
<td>3 s. 7 d.</td>
<td>1 s. 5 d.</td>
</tr>
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<td>Containing more than 70 per cent. but not more than 80 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>5 s. 7 d.</td>
<td>5 s. 6 d.</td>
<td>1 s. 10 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Containing more than 80 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>7 s. 1 d.</td>
<td>5 s. 4 d.</td>
<td>2 s. 7 d.</td>
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In the foregoing Tables—
(a) the expression "the general preferential rates" means the full rates of duty reduced by the amounts of the preferential reductions specified in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1928;
(b) the expression "the certificated colonial rates" means the special rates of duty applicable to colonial sugar accompanied by a quota certificate.

And it is hereby 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.)

7. Resolved, That on and after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, there shall be charged—
(a) on all sensitised photographic plates and film manufactured in the United Kingdom, other than X-ray plates and film, an excise duty at the rate of fourpence halfpenny per square foot; and
(b) in respect of every licence to be taken out annually by a manufacturer in the United Kingdom of any sensitised photographic plates or film an excise duty of twenty shillings.

For the purposes of this Resolution, references to photographic film include references to cinematograph film and paper negative film, and the area of any perforations in any piece of photographic film shall be treated as part of the area of the film. (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Photographic Plates and Film (Excise).

8. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine—
(a) the rate of additional duty chargeable under the Import Duties Act, 1932, on unexposed sensitised photographic plates and film, other than X-ray plates and film, shall be such as will, with the rate of the general ad valorem duty, amount to ninepence per square foot;
(b) the provisions of subsection (4) of section six of the Finance Act, 1938 (which relate to duties on Empire goods), shall apply in relation to unexposed sensitised photographic plates and film, other than X-ray plates and film, subject, in the case of plates and film other than cinematograph film, to the modification that the preferential rate shall be fivence per square foot instead of two-thirds of the aggregate full rate of the duties applicable to the goods;
(c) no unexposed sensitised photographic plate or film shall on reimportation be admitted free of duty under section fourteen of the Import Duties Act, 1932, unless any excise duty which was chargeable has been paid and either no drawback was allowed on exportation or any drawback so allowed has been repaid;
(d) the additional duties chargeable under the Import Duties Act, 1932, on exposed cinematograph film of the classes or descriptions specified in the first column of the following Table, shall, whether the film is or is not Empire goods, be at such rates as with the rate of the general ad valorem duty will amount to the rates specified in the second column of that Table;

| Table 2. |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nature of Molasses. | Produced from material on which customs duty has been paid. | Produced from material on which at the general preferential rates has been paid. | Produced from material on which excise duty has been paid. |
| Containing more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter | 2 s. 6 d. | 1 s. 9 d. | 1 s. 9 d. |
| Containing more than 60 per cent. but not more than 70 per cent. of sweetening matter | 4 s. 9 d. | 3 s. 7 d. | 1 s. 5 d. |
| Containing more than 70 per cent. but not more than 80 per cent. of sweetening matter | 5 s. 7 d. | 5 s. 6 d. | 1 s. 10 d. |
| Containing more than 80 per cent. of sweetening matter | 7 s. 1 d. | 5 s. 4 d. | 2 s. 7 d. |

(i) of a width not exceeding one inch; or
(ii) containing only a single sound track; or
(iii) shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners to be a duplicate of film on which customs duty has been paid at the rate of sixpence per linear foot and not refunded - 2d. per linear foot.

Other film - - - 6d. per linear foot;

(e) in the case of film of a greater width than the standard width of one and three-eighths inches, the customs duty in the cases mentioned in the last preceding paragraph shall be increased in proportion to the extent to which the width is greater than the standard width;

(f) if, in the case of any exposed cinematograph film, it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners either—
(i) that the production of the film was organised by persons whose chief or only place of business was in Great Britain or Northern Ireland and the producer of the film and all the principal actors and artists employed for the production thereof, except five, or, if the total number of principal actors and artists is less than twenty,
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not less than three-quarters of the principal actors and artists, were British subjects and domiciled in Great Britain or Northern Ireland; or

(ii) that the Board of Trade have certified that the requirements of subsection (3) of section twenty-seven of the Cinematograph Films Act, 1927, or of subsection (1) of section twenty-five of the Cinematograph Films Act, 1938, have been complied with in relation to the film or in relation to any film of which the film forms part;

the duty chargeable on the film shall be the duty, if any, with which it would have been chargeable if it were still unexposed;

(g) the exemption of sound track negatives from duties of customs conferred by the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1938, shall cease to have effect;

(h) no drawback of duty paid at the rate of 6d. per linear foot on any piece of exposed cinematograph film shall be allowed under the Second Schedule to the Import Duties Act, 1932, if a duplicate thereof, or of any part thereof, has been imported into the United Kingdom, but the Commissioners may waive or modify this provision in any particular case, subject to such conditions as they may consider necessary in order to safeguard the revenue;

(i) the provisions of this Resolution, other than those of paragraph (b), may be revoked or varied in the same manner and to the same extent as if they were contained in an order of the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932.

For the purposes of this Resolution—

(i) references to photographic film include references to cinematograph film and paper negative film;

(ii) the area of any perforations in any piece of photographic film shall be treated as part of the area of the film;

(iii) all sheets or strips of unexposed sensitised photographic film which are of a length not less than twelve feet shall, whatever their width, be treated as cinematograph film;

(iv) references to exposed cinematograph film shall include references to all such film whether it is positive or negative, whether it is developed or undeveloped, and whether or not it contains or consists of sound track;

(v) "the Commissioners" means the Commissioners of Customs and Excise;

(vi) two lengths of film shall not be deemed not to be duplicates of each other by reason that one is positive and the other is negative, or, where both lengths represent the same objects and are intended for use in the production of a coloured picture, by reason of any differences ascribable to the nature of the processes involved in producing such a picture.

And it hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Beer (Priming and Colouring Solutions).

9. Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision for authorising a brewer for sale to add priming and colouring solutions to beer at premises other than premises entered by him for the brewing of beer or a bonded warehouse, subject to the premises being licensed for the purposes, and to the payment, on the grant of any such licence in respect of any premises for any licence year or part thereof, of a duty of excise in accordance with the following Table:

| Where the premises have not been licensed as aforesaid for the preceding licence year or any part thereof | £25 |
| Where the premises have been so licensed and the number of bulk barrels of such solutions received for use at the premises in the preceding licence year did not exceed twenty-five | £25 |
| Where the premises have been so licensed and the number of bulk barrels of such solutions so received exceeded twenty-five | £25 |
| For the first twenty-five barrels | £25 |
| For every further twenty-five barrels or fraction of twenty-five barrels | £5 |

Provided that where the premises have been so licensed for a part only of the preceding licence year, the number of bulk barrels of solutions received for use at the premises in that year shall, for the purpose of the foregoing Table, be taken to be a number which bears the same proportion to the number so received in the period for which the licence was in force as twelve months bears to the length of that period.

In this Resolution the expression "bulk barrel" means a quantity of thirty-six gallons and the expression "licence year" mean the twelve months ending on the thirtieth day of September. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Customs Duty on Fruit preserved in Syrup.

10. Resolved, That on and after the twentysixth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, any duties of customs chargeable under the Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932, on goods of the classes or descriptions specified in the first column of the following Table shall be charged at the rates specified in the second column of that Table.

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<th>Class or description of goods</th>
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<td>The following fruit salad preserved in syrup, that is to say, mixtures of fruit (but not including mixed fruit pulp) containing not less than four separate descriptions of fruit, in which each of at least four descriptions constitutes at least eight per cent., and no one description represents more than fifty per cent., by weight, of all the fruit in the mixture (excluding syrup)</td>
<td>5 6</td>
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<td>Loganberries preserved in syrup</td>
<td>4 0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pineapples preserved in syrup</td>
<td>5 0</td>
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And it is hereby 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.)

Customs duty on patent leather.

11. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the customs duty imposed by section six of the Finance Act, 1934, on patent leather not forming part of another article and goods composed wholly of patent leather shall, in the case of goods on which no additional duty is for the time being chargeable under section three of the Import Duties Act, 1932, be reduced to seven and a half per cent. of the value of the goods, and accordingly the said section six shall on and after that date have effect—

(i) as if in subsection (1) thereof for the words "fifteen per cent." where they first occur, there were substituted the words "seven and a half per cent."); and

(ii) as if in the proviso to the said subsection (1) the words "if the aggregate amount of the additional duty and the general ad valorem duty exceeds fifteen per cent. of the value of the goods " were omitted.

And it is hereby 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.)

Amendment of Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932, as respects India.

12. Resolved, That, as from the date on which the agreement made on the twentieth day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of India comes into force under Article 16 thereof, the Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932, and any other enactment relating to customs which amends or relates to that Act, shall have effect as if that Agreement were substituted for paragraphs 1 and 6 of the Second Schedule to the said Act (as so amended) there were substituted the following paragraphs:

Description of vehicle. Rate of duty.

1. Cycles (including motor scooters and cycles with an attachment for propelling them by mechanical power) not exceeding 8 cwt. in weight unladen:—

(a) Bicycles—

Where the cylinder capacity of the engine thereof—

(i) does not exceed 150 cubic centimetres —17 6

(ii) exceeds 150 cubic centimetres but does not exceed 250 cubic centimetres —1 17 6

(iii) exceeds 250 cubic centimetres—

in a case where the bicycle is one in respect of which a licence was taken out before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, and does not exceed 224 lbs. in weight unladen —1 17 6

in any other case —3 15 0

(b) Bicycles, if used for drawing a trailer or sidecar —1 5 0

(c) Tricycles—

neither constructed nor adapted for use nor used for the carriage of a driver or passenger —2 0 0

other tricycles —5 0 0

The duty chargeable under sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph in respect of any bicycle shall be chargeable in addition to the duty chargeable on the bicycle under sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph.

Description of vehicle. Rate of duty.

Mechanically propelled Vehicles (increased Excise duties).

15. Resolved, That as from the first day of January, nineteen hundred and forty, section thirteen of the Finance Act, 1920, which imposes duties of excise in respect of mechanically propelled vehicles, shall, as amended by any subsequent enactment, have effect as if for paragraphs 1 and 6 of the Second Schedule to the said Act (as so amended) there were substituted the following paragraphs:

Description of vehicle. Rate of duty.

6. Any vehicles other than those charged with duty under the foregoing provisions of this Schedule—

Electrically propelled vehicles 7 10 0

Other vehicles—

not exceeding 6 horse-power—

for each unit or part of a unit of horse-power —1 5 0

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)
INCOME TAX.

Charge of Tax.

16. Resolved, That—

(1) income tax for the year 1939–1940 shall be charged at the standard rate of five shillings and sixpence in the pound, and, in the case of an individual whose total income exceeds two thousand pounds, at such higher rates in respect of the excess over two thousand pounds as Parliament may hereafter determine;

(2) all such enactments as had effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1938–1939 shall have effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1939–1940.

And it is hereby 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.)


17. Resolved, That income tax for the year 1938–1939 in respect of the excess of the total income of an individual over two thousand pounds shall be charged at rates in the pound which respectively exceed the standard rate by the amounts specified in the second column of the Table in section six of the Finance Act, 1931 (as originally enacted) increased—

(a) in the case of an amount relating to any part of the first six thousand pounds of the excess, by fifteen per cent. of that amount;

(b) in the case of any of the remaining amounts, by twenty per cent. of that amount.

And it is hereby 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.)

Amendments as to Surtax on, and apportionments of, income of certain companies.

18. Resolved, That there may be included in any Act of the present Session relating to finance such amendments of section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1922 (which relates to surtax on the undistributed income of certain companies) and of any enactments relating to or amending that section or referring to apportionments thereunder, as Parliament may determine, and any such Act may provide that any of the said amendments shall have effect for the purpose of assessments for any year not earlier than the year 1936–1937 and authorise any necessary additional assessments for any such year.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

National Defence Contribution.

19. Resolved, That the enactments relating to the national defence contribution shall have effect and be deemed always to have had effect subject to such amendments as will secure that, in the case of the businesses mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 7 of the Fourth Schedule to the Finance Act, 1937, any income received from investments or other property is taken into account in computing the losses to be carried forward under sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 2 of that Schedule, notwithstanding that that income has been separately charged to income tax by deduction or otherwise.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

ESTATE DUTY.

Estate Duty (Alteration of Scale).

20. Resolved, That, in the case of persons dying after the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rates of estate duty set out in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1930, shall, as far as they relate to estates the principal value of which exceeds fifty thousand pounds, be increased, in the case of each rate, by one-tenth of the amount thereof.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Estate Duty (amendments as to certain interests arising on death and as to certain debts).

21. Resolved, That the enactments relating to estate duty shall, in the case of persons dying after the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be amended with regard to—

(a) the annuities and other interests that are to be treated as passing on the death of a deceased person by virtue of paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1894, and as being property in which he had an interest;

(b) the exclusion of certain debts and incumbrances from those which may be deducted from the value of the estate of a deceased person in determining the value of the estate for the purposes of estate duty.

(c) the inclusion in property passing on the death of a deceased person by virtue of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1894, of property applied to the discharge of certain debts and incumbrances, and the payment of estate duty accordingly, notwithstanding anything in section three of that Act.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

Power to borrow for certain financial purposes.

22. Resolved, That the whole or any part of the sums required in the current financial year for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section twenty-three of the Finance Act, 1928, as amended by any subsequent enactment, may be provided out of money borrowed for the purpose under section one of the War Loan Act, 1919, instead of out of the permanent annual charge for the National Debt.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Unclaimed Dividends.

23. Resolved, That the National Debt Commissioners shall, as and when the Treasury request, pay into the Exchequer out of their account of unclaimed dividends, under Part VII of the National Debt Act, 1870, sums not exceeding in the whole one million five hundred thousand pounds, and may for that purpose sell any stock standing to the credit of that account.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)
Amendment of Law.

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.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 16th day of December last, That the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed to be made to the Question, That the Coal Mines Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Vote be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Order of the day be read, for the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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Ordered, That the Deputy Speaker report Progress; and ask leave to sit again,—(Mr. James Stuart), put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House that 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 on the Civil Defence 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 Poultry Industry Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Camps 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) 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 Hairdressers (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames River Steamboat Service 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 Local Government Elections (Free Postage) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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 a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Mumbles Pier Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill; and that they were of opinion Order Bill, that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the City of London Various (Powers) Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.
The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Memorial of the Conway Gas Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time upon Friday next the Representation of the People Acts Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Sir Frank Sanderson, and Mr. Graham White, and that Mr. Granville, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Ammon, Mr. Lansbury, Sir Thomas Moore, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Graville, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Ammon, Mr. Barr, Sir Robert Young, Mr. Wedgwood, Mr. Ede, Sir Frank Sanderson, and Mr. Graham White do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Alexander Sloan, Esquire, Member for the County of Ayr and Bute (South Ayrshire Division), was sworn.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the hunting of deer, and for purposes connected therewith; and that Mr. Lansbury, Sir Thomas Moore, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Graville, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Ammon, Mr. Barr, Sir Robert Young, Mr. Wedgwood, Mr. Ede, Sir Frank Sanderson, and Mr. Graham White do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Lansbury accordingly presented a Bill to prevent the hunting of deer, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ways and Means.

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.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again,—(Captain Waterhouse),—put, and agreed to.
Resolved, That, in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct that the Queen Anne's Bounty (Powers) Measure, 1939, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent. —(Mr. Denman.)

Resolved, That, in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct that the Ecclesiastical Officers Remuneration Measure, 1939, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent. —(Mr. Denman.)

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Solicitors (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Colonel Charles Edward Ponsonby a member of the Chairman's Panel, in the room of Captain Osbert Peake resigned.

E. A. Frizroy, Speaker.

26th April 1939.

[No. 90.]

Thursday, 27th April 1939.

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 South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Metropolitan Police Fund (Accidents: No. 111. Metropolitan Police Fund (Accounts: No. 111. South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill.

Captain Crookshank also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 27th April 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 3) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee on Scottish Bills, that the Select Committee, dated 29th March 1939, relating to the South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill, under Standing Order No. 47 (2).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Standing Order Nos. 49 to 52, to a Standing Committee.

Several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:

1. That, in the case of the Milford Haven Water [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That, in the case of the Saint Peter's (Chapel Stockport [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. That, in the case of the Barmouth Urban District Council (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.

4. That, in the case of the Barmouth Urban District Council (Lords), Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Compulsory proposed, That this House approves the Military Training. proposal of His Majesty's Government to introduce as soon as possible a system of compulsory military training as announced on 26th April; regards such a system as necessary for the safety of the country and the fulfilment of the undertakings recently given to certain countries in Europe; and welcomes the fact that the Government is associating with this proposal fresh legislative powers to limit the profits of firms engaged mainly in armament production, and the assurance that, in the event of war, steps will be taken to penalise profiteering and to prevent additions to individual fortunes out of war-created conditions.

—(The Prime Minister);
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in line 1, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "whilst prepared to take all necessary steps to provide for the safety of the nation and the fulfilment of its international obligations, this House regrets that His Majesty's Government, in breach of their pledges, should abandon the voluntary principle which has not failed to provide the man-power needed for defence, and is of opinion that the measure proposed is ill-conceived, and, so far from adding materially to the effective defence of the country, will promote division and discourage the national effort, and is further evidence that the Government’s conduct of affairs throughout these critical times does not merit the confidence of the country or this House"—(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;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the
Captain Margesson,
Yeas, Colonel Kerr:
380.
Tellers for the Mr. Paling,
Noes, Mr. Whiteley:
143.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the
Captain Margesson,
Yeas,
376.
Tellers for the Mr. Paling,
Noes, Mr. Whiteley:
145.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House approves the proposal of His Majesty's Government to introduce as soon as possible a system of compulsory military training as announced on 25th April; regards such a system as necessary for the safety of the country and the fulfilment of the undertakings recently given to certain countries in Europe; and welcomes the fact that the Government is associating with this proposal fresh legislative powers to limit the profits of firms engaged mainly in armaments production, and the assurance that, in the event of war, steps will be taken to penalise profiteering and to prevent additions to individual fortunes out of war-created conditions.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Industry Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Camps Bill, into consideration the Camps 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 Limitation 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

**ORDERED.** That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Birmingham (Aston Division), in the room of Captain The Honourable Arthur Oswald Hope, m.o., who since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Captain Margesson.)

**Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Northern Ireland to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Down, in the room of Sir David Douglas Reid, Baronet, deceased.—(Captain Margesson.)

**The South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill** was, according to Order, read the third time and passed. **Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.**

**Mr. Secretary Colville presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Tenth Annual Report of the Department of Health for Scotland, 1938.**

**Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.**

**The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Charities (Fuel Allotments) 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 Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.**

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

**Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.**

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

**Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.**

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts 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 authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and Measures as follow:

5. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Colchester) Act, 1939.

**Queen Anne’s Bounty (Powers) Measure, 1939.**

**Ecclesiastical Officers Remuneration Measure, 1939.**

**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.**

**Ordered, That Captain Wallace be discharged Publicly from the Committee of Public Accounts, and that Captain Crookshank be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Harvie Watt.)**

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then thirteen minutes after Twelve of the clock, till Monday next.
Conway Gas Bill [Lords.]—The Conway Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow, and be printed.

The London County Council (Money) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Agricultural Marketing Acts.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, presented, by His Majesty’s Command.—Copy of Report on Development Schemes for 1937.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture Act, 1937.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 17th April, 1939, made under the Agriculture Act, 1937, entitled the Home-grown Oats (Ascertained United Kingdom Price for 1938) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 27th April 1939; entitled the Importation of Raw Cherries (Scotland) Order of 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Indian Naval Reserve Forces (Discipline) Act, 1939, passed under the procedure prescribed by Section 67B (2) of the Ninth Schedule to the Government of India Act, 1935.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled

(1) the Brightlingsea Planning Scheme;
(2) the New Romney Planning Scheme;
(3) the West Mersea Planning Scheme;
(4) the Wivenhoe Planning Scheme.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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The Deputy Chairman reported from the Walsall Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Walsall Corporation Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Prime Minister, supported by Mr. Military Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha, Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood. Mr. Ernest Brown, Mr. William Morrison, and Mr. Shakespeare, presented a Bill to make temporary provision for rendering persons between the ages of twenty and twenty-one years liable to undergo training in the armed forces of the Crown; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha, supported by Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill. Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood. Mr. William Morrison, and Mr. Shakespeare, presented a Bill to make further and temporary provision for enabling the reserve and auxiliary forces of the Crown to be called out for service as may be found necessary; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved 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.

Question put, and agreed to.

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.
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The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 25th day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Criminal Justice Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Limitation Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Limitation Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Official Secrets Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Building Societies (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

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 previously referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Royal Wanstead School Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry Provisional Order of the Minister of Health Provisional Order relating to the Burnham Dorney and Hitchin Waterworks Company Limited : And the same (Burnham and District Water) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Ministry Provisional Order of the Minister of Health Provisional Order relating to the Corsham Waterworks Company Limited : And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson);

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the Hailsham Water Company: 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. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the Swaffham Waterworks Company Limited: 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. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the York Waterworks Company: 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. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the Newhaven and Seaford Water Company: 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. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the Newhaven and Seaford Water Company: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the York Waterworks Company: 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. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the Luton Water Company: 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. Elliot presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the Hailsham Water Company: 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.

Message from the Lords.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee B. The Lords have agreed to the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Bill. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd, supported by Mr. Stanley and Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill, 1920. Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Captain Austin Hudson reported from the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means of the 25th April day of April last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Tobacco (Customs Duty).

1. That in lieu of the full duties of customs now chargeable on tobacco imported into the United Kingdom there shall, on and after the twenty-sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be charged the following duties, that is to say:

Upon tobacco unmanufactured, viz.,

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Other manufactured tobacco.

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Excise

Act, 1931.

Increased duties proposed by the foregoing Resolutions have been paid, drawback shall be allowed at the rates set out in the following Table instead of at the rates set out in Part III of the First Schedule to the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1931.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Tobacco (Excise Duty).

2. That in lieu of the duties of excise now chargeable on tobacco grown in the United Kingdom there shall, on and after the twenty-sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be charged the following duties, that is to say:

Upon tobacco unmanufactured, viz.,

- containing 10 lbs. or more of moisture in every 100 lbs.
  weight thereof - the lb. 13 4
- containing less than 10 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs.
  weight thereof - the lb. 15 9

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Tobacco (Drawback).

3. That as respects tobacco on which the increased duties proposed by the foregoing Resolutions have been paid, drawback shall be allowed at the rates set out in the following Table instead of at the rates set out in Part III of the First Schedule to the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1931.

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And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Sugar, &c. (Increased Customs Duties).

4. That as from five o'clock in the evening on the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of customs on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharine shall be charged in accordance with the following provisions—

(a) for the full rates of customs duty set out in Part I of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1928, there shall be substituted the rates specified in Part I of the following Table;

(b) for the rates of duty on certificated colonial sugar set out in the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 1934, there shall be substituted the rates set out in Part II of the said Table, and any certificates issued under section one of that Act, whether before or after the passing of this Resolution, shall have effect accordingly.

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Full Rates of Duty.

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<td>5. That as from five o’clock in the evening on the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the excise duties on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharin shall be at the rates specified in the following Table instead of at the rates theretofore chargeable.</td>
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<td>Molasses (including all sugar and extracts from sugar which cannot be completely tested by the polariscope) -</td>
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<td>if containing 70 per cent. or more of sweetening matter -</td>
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<td>less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter -</td>
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<td>Glucose - Solid</td>
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<td>Nature of Sugar.</td>
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<td>Rate or amount of Drawback.</td>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98° produced from material on which the full duties of customs have been paid.</td>
<td>per cwt.</td>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98° produced from material on which the general preferential rates have been paid.</td>
<td>8s. 2d.</td>
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<td>Any rate of duty.</td>
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<td>A drawback equal to the duty chargeable on sugar of the like polarisation.</td>
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<td>Nature of Molasses.</td>
<td>Produced from material on which full customs duty has been paid.</td>
<td>Produced from material on which customs duty at the general preferential rates has been paid.</td>
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<td>(b) the expression “the certificated colonial rates” means the special rates of duty applicable to colonial sugar accompanied by a quota certificate.</td>
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<td>6. That where a duty of customs or excise has been paid in respect of sugar, molasses, glucose or saccharin at the higher rates for which provision is made by the foregoing Resolutions, drawbacks shall be paid and Vol. 194.</td>
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Photographic Plates and Film (Excise).

7. That on and after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, there shall be charged—
   (a) on all sensitised photographic plates and film manufactured in the United Kingdom, other than X-ray plates and film, an excise duty at the rate of fourpence halfpenny per square foot; and
   (b) in respect of every licence to be taken out annually by a manufacturer in the United Kingdom of any sensitised photographic plates or film an excise duty of twenty shillings.

For the purposes of this Resolution, references to photographic film include references to cinematograph film and paper negative film, and the area of any perforations in any piece of photographic film shall be treated as part of the area of the film.

Photographic Plates and Film (Customs).

8. That on and after the twenty-sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine—
   (a) the rate of additional duty chargeable under the Import Duties Act, 1932, on unexposed sensitised photographic plates and film, other than X-ray plates and film, shall be such as will, with the rate of the general ad valorem duty, amount to ninepence per square foot;
   (b) the provisions of subsection (4) of section six of the Finance Act, 1958 (which relate to duties on Empire goods), shall apply in relation to unexposed sensitised photographic plates and film, other than X-ray plates and film, subject, in the case of plates and film other than cinematograph film, to the modification that the preferential rate shall be twopence per square foot instead of two-thirds of the aggregate full rate of the duties applicable to the goods;
   (c) no unexposed sensitised photographic plate or film shall on reimportation be admitted free of duty under section fourteen of the Import Duties Act, 1932, unless any excise duty which was chargeable has been paid and either no drawback was allowed on exportation or any drawback so allowed has been repaid;
   (d) the additional duties chargeable under the Import Duties Act, 1932, on exposed cinematograph film of the classes or descriptions specified in the first column of the following Table, shall, whether the film is or is not Empire goods, be at such rates as with the rate of the general ad valorem duty will amount to the rates specified in the second column of that Table;

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<th>customs duty has been paid at the rate of sixpence per linear foot and not refunded</th>
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<td>Other film</td>
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(e) in the case of film of a greater width than the standard width of one and three-eighths inches, the customs duty in the cases mentioned in the last preceding paragraph shall be increased in proportion to the extent to which the width is greater than the standard width;

(f) if, in the case of any exposed cinematograph film, it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners either—
   (i) that the production of the film was organised by persons whose chief or only place of business was in Great Britain or Northern Ireland and the producer of the film and all the principal actors and artists employed for the production thereof, except five, or, if the total number of principal actors and artists is less than twenty, not less than three-quarters of the principal actors and artists, were British subjects and domiciled in Great Britain or Northern Ireland; or
   (ii) that the Board of Trade have certified that the requirements of subsection (3) of section twenty-seven of the Cinematograph Films Act, 1927, or of subsection (1) of section twenty-five of the Cinematograph Films Act, 1938, have been complied with in relation to the film or in relation to any film of which the film forms part;

the duty chargeable on the film shall be the duty, if any, with which it would have been chargeable if it were still unexposed;

(g) the exemption of sound track negatives from duties of customs conferred by the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1938, shall cease to have effect;

(h) no drawback of duty paid at the rate of 6d. per linear foot on any piece of exposed cinematograph film shall be allowed under the Second Schedule to the Import Duties Act, 1932, if a duplicate thereof, or of any part thereof, has been imported into the United Kingdom, but the Commissioners may waive or modify this provision in any particular case, subject to such conditions as they may consider necessary in order to safeguard the revenue;

(i) the provisions of this Resolution, other than those of paragraph (b), may be revoked or varied in the same manner and to the same extent as if they were contained in an order of the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932.

For the purposes of this Resolution—
   (i) references to photographic film include references to cinematograph film and paper negative film;
   (ii) the area of any perforations in any piece of photographic film shall be treated as part of the area of the film;
   (iii) all sheets or strips of unexposed sensitised photographic film which are
Beer (Priming and Colouring Solutions.)

9. That it is expedient to make provision for authorising a brewer for sale to add priming and colouring solutions to beer at premises other than premises entered by him for the brewing of beer or a bonded warehouse subject to the premises being licensed for the purpose and to the payment, on the grant of any such licence in respect of any premises for any licence year or part thereof, of a duty of excise in accordance with the following Table:

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<th>Rate of duty</th>
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<td>Beer (Priming and Colouring Solutions)</td>
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<td>For the first twenty-five barrels</td>
<td>£25</td>
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<td>For every further twenty-five barrels or fraction of twenty-five barrels</td>
<td>£5</td>
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Provided that where the premises have been so licensed for a part only of the preceding licence year, the number of bulk barrels of solutions received for use at the premises in that year shall, for the purpose of the foregoing Table, be taken to be a number which bears the same proportion to the number so received in the period for which the licence was in force as twelve months bear to the length of that period.

In this Resolution the expression "bulk barrel" means a quantity of thirty-six gallons and the expression "licence year" means the twelve months ending on the thirtieth day of September.

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Repeal of drawback in respect of linseed.

13. That the drawback of customs duty heretofore allowed in the case of goods manufactured in the United Kingdom and exported or shipped as stores therefrom, in respect of linseed used in the manufacture thereof, shall not be allowed except in the case of unmixed linseed oil, that is to say, linseed oil not mixed with any substance other than driers.

Repeal of drawback in respect of ground-nuts.

14. That, in the case of ground-nut oil (whether hydrogenated or not) manufactured in the United Kingdom and exported or shipped as stores therefrom, no drawback of customs duty shall be allowed in respect of ground-nuts used in the manufacture thereof.

Mechanically propelled Vehicles (increased Excise duties).

15. That as from the first day of January, nineteen hundred and forty, section thirteen of the Finance Act, 1920, which imposes duties of excise in respect of mechanically propelled vehicles, shall, as amended by any subsequent enactment, have effect as if for paragraphs 1 and 6 of the Second Schedule to the said Act (as so amended) there were substituted the following paragraphs:

Description of vehicle.

Rate of Duty.

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<td>Cycle (including motor scooters and cycles with an attachment for propelling them by mechanical power) not exceeding 8 cwt. in weight unladen:</td>
<td>£ s. d.</td>
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<td>(a) Bicycles—Where the cylinder capacity of the engine thereof— (i) does not exceed 150 cubic centimetres</td>
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<td>(ii) exceeds 150 cubic centimetres but does not exceed 250 cubic centimetres</td>
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<td>(iii) exceeds 250 cubic centimetres—in a case where the bicycle is one in respect of which a licence was taken out before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, and does not exceed 224 lbs. in weight unladen</td>
<td>1 17 6</td>
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<td>in any other case</td>
<td>3 15 0</td>
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<td>(b) Bicycles, if used for drawing a trailer or sidecar</td>
<td>1 5 0</td>
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<td>(c) Tricycles—neither constructed nor adapted for use nor used for the carriage of a driver or a passenger</td>
<td>2 0 0</td>
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<td>other tricycles</td>
<td>5 0 0</td>
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The duty chargeable under sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph in respect of any bicycle shall be chargeable in addition to the duty chargeable on the bicycle under sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph.

INCOME TAX.

Charge of Tax.

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<td>Any vehicles other than those charged with duty under the foregoing provisions of this Schedule—</td>
<td>£ s. d.</td>
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<td>Electrically propelled vehicles</td>
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<td>Other vehicles— not exceeding 6 horse-power exceeding 6 horse-power—</td>
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<td>for each unit or part of a unit of horse-power</td>
<td>1 5 0</td>
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And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.


17. That income tax for the year 1939–1940 shall be charged at the standard rate of five shillings and sixpence in the pound, and, in the case of an individual whose total income exceeds two thousand pounds, at such higher rates in respect of the excess over two thousand pounds as Parliament may hereafter determine:

(a) in the case of an amount relating to any part of the first six thousand pounds of the excess, by fifteen per cent. of that amount;
(b) in the case of any of the remaining amounts, by twenty per cent. of that amount.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.
that section or referring to apportionments thereunder, as Parliament may determine, and any such Act may provide that any of the said amendments shall have effect for the purpose of assessments for any year not earlier than the year 1936-1937 and authorise any necessary additional assessments for any such year.

National Defence Contribution.

19. That the enactments relating to the national defence contribution shall have effect and be deemed always to have had effect subject to such amendments as will secure that, in the case of the businesses mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 7 of the Fourth Schedule to the Finance Act, 1937, any income received from investments or other property is taken into account in computing the losses to be carried forward under sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 2 of that Schedule, notwithstanding that that income has been separately charged to income tax by deduction or otherwise.

Estate Duty.

20. That, in the case of persons dying after the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rates of estate duty set out in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1930, shall, so far as they relate to estates the principal value of which exceeds fifty thousand pounds, be increased, in the case of each rate, by one-tenth of the amount thereof.

Estate Duty (Alteration of Scale).

21. That the enactments relating to estate duty shall, in the case of persons dying after the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be amended with regard to—

(a) the annuities and other interests that are to be treated as passing on the death of a deceased person by virtue of paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1894, and as being property in which he had an interest;

(b) the exclusion of certain debts and incumbrances, from those which may be deducted from the value of the estate of a deceased person in determining the value of the estate for the purposes of estate duty;

(c) the inclusion in property passing on the death of a deceased person by virtue of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1894, of property applied to the discharge of certain debts and incumbrances and the payment of estate duty accordingly, notwithstanding anything in section three of that Act.

Miscellaneous.

Power to borrow for certain financial purposes.

22. That the whole or any part of the sums required in the current financial year for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the
Mr. Munro,
Colonel Herbert : 214.
Yea,
Mr. Groves,
Mr. Mathers :
Tellers for the
Yeas, 140.
Noes,
Mr. Adamsen : 118.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Fifth and Sixth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.
The Seventh Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, in l. 7, by leaving out the words “fourpence halfpenny,” and inserting the words “one penny.”—(Mr. Thomas Williams)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words be there inserted in the Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Eighth Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, in l. 9, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words:—

"Provided that the present rate of import duty shall still apply in the case of the import of a first copy where the importer signs an affidavit undertaking not to allow the whole or any part to be copied and to operate with only one copy.”—(Miss Wilkinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Ninth to the Fourteenth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Fifteenth Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, in l. 19, by leaving out “17s. 6d.” and inserting “15s. 6d.”—(Mr. Parker)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That “17s.6d.” stand part of the Resolution;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the
Captain Waterhouse,
Colonel Kerr : 188.
Yea,
Mr. Mathers,
Mr. Adamson :
Tellers for the
Yeas, 118.
Noes,
Mr. Anderson : 116.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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
Captain Waterhouse,
Colonel Kerr : 184.
Yea,
Mr. Whiteley,
Mr. Anderson :
Tellers for the
Yeas, 116.
Noes,
Mr. Mathers : 140.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the remaining Resolutions be now adjourned.—(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That the Sixteenth and subsequent Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Ways and Means of the 1st day of this instant May; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Second Reading of the Military Training Bill; Training Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve and Second Reading of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Camps Bill into consideration the Camps Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Limitation into consideration the Limitation Bill [Lords] 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 Fertilisers and Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Second Reading of the Protection of Animals Animals 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 Building Societies Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Places (Order and Decency) 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 Companies Act (1929) 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 Marking of Manufactured Goods 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 Coal Mines 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 Contraceptives (Regulation) 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 Official Secrets 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 Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) 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 Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hairdressers (Registration) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames River Steamboat Service Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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The House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 94.]

Wednesday, 3rd May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Southwark Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to Borough make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament, in the room of Edward Anthony Strauss, Esquire, deceased.—(Colonel Kerr.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Mumbles Pier Bill [Lords], as Bill [Lords] amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant to the Eastern India directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Indian Tariff Indian Tariff (Third Amendment) Act, 1939, passed under the procedure prescribed by Act, 1939, Section 67B (2) of the Ninth Schedule to the Government of India Act, 1935.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


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Sir Alan Anderson reported from the Select Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same without Amendment, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee 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.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Customer, 
Mr. Munro : 
249.

Tellers for the Customer, 
Mr. Groves : 
125.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, conveying to His Majesty, on the occasion of his departure for Canada and the United States of America, an assurance of the loyal affection of this House and of the deep interest as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sixteenth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 25th day of April last.

The Sixteenth Resolution,—

INCOME TAX.

Charge of Tax.

That—

(1) income tax for the year 1938–1939 shall be charged at the standard rate of five shillings and sixpence in the pound, and, in the case of an individual whose total income exceeds two thousand pounds, at such higher rates in respect of the excess over two thousand pounds as Parliament may hereafter determine;

(2) all such enactments as had effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1938–1939 shall have effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1939–1940.

And it is hereby 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, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Seventeenth Resolution,—


That income tax for the year 1938–1939 in respect of the excess of the total income of an individual over two thousand pounds shall be charged at rates in the pound which respectively exceed the standard rate by the amounts specified in the second column of the Table in section six of the Finance Act, 1931 (as originally enacted) increased—

(a) in the case of an amount relating to any part of the first six thousand pounds of the excess, by fifteen per cent. of that amount;

(b) in the case of any of the remaining amounts, by twenty per cent. of that amount.

And it is hereby 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, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Eighteenth Resolution,—

Amendments as to Surtax on, and apportionments of, income of certain companies.

That there may be included in any Act of the present Session relating to finance such amendments of section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1922 (which relates to surtax on the undistributed income of certain companies) and of any enactments relating to or amending that section or referring to apportionments thereunder, as Parliament may determine, and any such Act may provide that any of the said amendments shall have effect for the purpose of assessments for any year not earlier than the year 1936–1937 and authorise any necessary additional assessments for any such year, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Nineteenth Resolution,—

National Defence Contribution.

That the enactments relating to the national defence contribution shall have effect and be deemed always to have had effect subject to such amendments as will secure that, in the case of the business mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 7 of the Fourth Schedule to the Finance Act, 1937, any income received from investments or other property is taken into account in computing the losses to be carried forward under sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 2 of that Schedule, notwithstanding that that income has been separately charged to income tax by deduction or otherwise, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Twentieth Resolution,—

ESTATE DUTY.

Estate Duty (Alteration of Scale).

That, in the case of persons dying after the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rates of estate duty set out in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1930, shall, so far as they relate to estates the principal value of which exceeds five thousand pounds, be increased, in the case of each rate, by one-tenth of the amount thereof, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Twenty-first Resolution,—

Estate Duty (amendments as to certain interests arising on death and as to certain debts).

That the enactments relating to estate duty shall, in the case of persons dying after the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be amended with regard to—

(a) the annuities and other interests that are to be treated as passing on the death of a deceased person by virtue of paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1894, and as being property in which he had an interest;

(b) the exclusion of certain debts and incumbrances from those which may be deducted from the value of the estate of a deceased person in determining the value of the estate for the purposes of estate duty.

(c) the inclusion in property passing on the death of a deceased person by virtue of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1894, of property applied to the discharge of certain debts and incumbrances, and the payment of estate duty accordingly, notwithstanding anything in section three of that Act, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Twenty-second Resolution,—

Miscellaneous.

Power to borrow for certain financial purposes.

That the whole or any part of the sums required in the current financial year for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section twenty-three of the Finance Act, 1928, as amended by any subsequent enactment, may be provided out of money borrowed for the purpose under section one of the War Loan Act, 1919, instead of out of the permanent revenue (including Excise), and to make further provision in connection with finance, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Twenty-third Resolution,—

Unclaimed Dividends.

That the National Debt Commissioners shall, as and when the Treasury request, pay into the Exchequer out of their account, any dividends standing to the credit of that account, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Elliot reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to amend the law relating to 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 2nd day of this instant May and agreed to by the House on that day, and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties of Bill 126. Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise), to alter other duties, and to amend the law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise) and the National Debt, and to make further provision in connection with finance.

And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Camps Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Limitation Bill Bill [Lords.], not amended in the Standing Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 12, l. 34, by leaving out the words "one year," and inserting the words "two years."—(Mr. Foot).—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, 230. Colonel Kerr :]

Tellers for the Mr. Foot : 58.

Mr. Silverman ;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 12, l. 36, by inserting, after the word "default," the words "or the damage thereby occasioned."—(Mr. Silverman.)

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. 12, l. 39, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

Provided also that this section shall not apply in the case of any act, neglect, or default unless the person entering a claim in respect of such act, neglect, or default is notified that the claim will be invalid if action is not taken within the period prescribed in this section."—(Mr. Robert Gibson.)

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. 13, l. 2, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "or to any action in which the act, neglect, or default complained of is not, in the opinion of the court, of an important administrative character."—(Mr. Silverman.)

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. 13, l. 39, by leaving out paragraph (d).—(Mr. Foot.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;
Mr. Attorney-General, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;
Mr. Attorney-General, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall, is concerned therein;
Mr. Attorney-General, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Resolved, That the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1939, dated the fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, made by the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932, a copy of which was presented to this House on the said fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Resolved, That the Additional Import Duties (No. 1) Order, 1939, dated the fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, made by the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932, a copy of which was presented to this House on the said fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Resolved, That the Amendment of the Agricultural Marketing Acts' (Potassium Ferricyanide) Order, 1939, dated the twelfth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.—(Mr. Scrymgeour Weddell.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Defence Bill;
Resolved, That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And, it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seventeen minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 95.]

Thursday, 4th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of Monday the 3rd day of this instant May, relative to His Majesty's departure for Canada and the United States of America, had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:—

I thank you sincerely for your Address on the occasion of the visit of the Queen and Myself to our Dominion of Canada and to the United States of America.

I have received with great pleasure your loyal and affectionate message, which the Queen and I will bear constantly in mind during Our absence.
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Westminster (Abbey Division), in the room of Sir Sidney Herbert, Baronet, deceased.—(Captain M'garrison.)

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 pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of April last, the Standing Orders, which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, viz. :—

Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 180,—Copy of Report of the Attorney-General on the St. Peter’s Chapel Stockport Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Fifty-sixth Report of the Comptroller-General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks, with Appendices, for 1938.

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 Annual Report and Accounts of the Governors of Queen Anne’s Bounty for 1938.

The Order for resuming, upon Tuesday next, the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of March last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Coal Mines Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 12th day of this instant May.

Sir Robert Smith reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills: That they had gone through the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Standing Committee D. Wheat (Amendment) Bill.

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 Deputy Chairman reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders & Resolution; which was read as followeth:

That in the case of the Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the King Edward the Seventh Memorial Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Methodist Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Methodist Church Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Colne Valley Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Colne Valley Water Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Resolution, being read a second time, be agreed to.

Ordered, That in the case of the Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Westminster (Abbey Division), in the room of Sir Sidney Herbert, Baronet, deceased.—(Captain M'garrison.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.
The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the South Staffordshire Water Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Gosport Corporation Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report 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 Reorganisation of Offices (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill.

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz.: That it is desirable that the Solicitors Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Military Training 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 resolutely determined to take all necessary steps to defend the country and to fulfil its international obligations, and confident that the necessary man-power can be provided by voluntary recruitment, this House regrets that His Majesty's Government, having grossly mismanaged foreign policy, exhibited grave incompetence in organising the national resources for defence, and failed to limit profits or prevent the amassing of large fortunes, have now, in violation of repeated pledges, introduced a measure of conscription;”

—(Mr. Lees-Smith),—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.

—(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve and Second Reading of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, 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 taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as Justice Bill, 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 Air Ministry Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Committee on the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Second Reading of the Poultry Industry Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Civil Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Civil Defence Bill; Read, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. Jagger be added to the Committee of Public Accounts.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Captain Margesson);
And, it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of this instant May.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 96.]

Friday, 5th May 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Lambeth (Kennington Division), in the room of Sir George Harvey, deceased.—(Captain Margesson.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-seventh Annual Report of the Fishery Board for Scotland, for 1938.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the UnemploymentDirections of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Assistance Rules, dated 26th April 1939, entitled—
(1) the Unemployment Assistance (Determinations) Rules, 1939;
(2) the Unemployment Assistance (Allowances) Rules, 1939;
(3) the Unemployment Assistance (Appeal Tribunals) Rules, 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Coast Protection Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment was made to the Bill.

An Amendment was made to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 15, by leaving out the word "excavation"—(Mr. Holmes.)
And the Question being put, That the word "excavation" stand part of the Bill:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Herbert Williams,}{Mr. Ede :}
Yees, 61.
Tellers for the [Mr. Holmes,}{Sir George Courthope :}
Nees, 51.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 40, by inserting, after the word "may," the words "subject to compliance with the provisions of paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of the First Schedule to this Act."—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 8, by leaving out the words "or objected to the order being made."—(Mr. Foot.)
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. 3, by leaving out from the word "privileges," to the word "conferred," in l. 4.—(Mr. Ede.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.
A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time:

Earl Winterton, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;

Earl Winterton, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Earl Winterton, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—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 Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 3, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

“(4) The provisions of this Act, except sections five and six and the provisions of section eight thereof, in so far as they relate to these sections, shall not apply to a collection for a purpose of a personal nature extending only to those who are personally acquainted with the person or persons for whose benefit or on whose account the collection is being made or who by residence in the same immediate locality are likely to have special knowledge of the circumstances of such person or persons, subject to the following conditions:—

(i) that the collection is completed within seven days;
(ii) that a record is kept and retained for a period of at least six months, reckoned from the latest date of collection, of the amounts collected and the disbursements made therefrom;
(iii) that the collection is supervised by a committee consisting of at least three persons, not being members of one family, resident in or carrying on business or employed in the locality;
(iv) that the whole of the proceeds of the collection, without deductions for remuneration of collectors or for other such purpose, is devoted to the avowed purpose of the collection:—

Provided that this subsection shall cease to be applicable so soon as there is reasonable cause for believing that the amount collected has exceeded or will exceed ten pounds.”—(Mr. Tom Smith.)

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 Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 10, by inserting, after the word “purposes,” the words “or carries on a voluntary hospital and is desirous of promoting collections for the purpose of that hospital.”—(Mr. Herbert Williams.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then one minute before Three of the clock, till Monday next.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Charles MacAndrew Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Mining Subsidy Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

5th May 1939.
[No. 97.]

Monday, 8th May 1939.

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 Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Mumbles Pier Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the City of London (Various 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 Walsall Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Royal Wanstead School Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Captain Austin Hudson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the St. Helens Corporation Act, 1921, relating to the St. Helens Corporation Trolley Vehicles: 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.

Captain Austin Hudson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Corporation Act, 1926, relating to the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Corporation Trolley Vehicles: 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. Lindsay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Board of Education, and Statistics of Public Education for England and Wales, for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Vol. 194.
Copy of Draft Order in Council entitled the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 4 Order, 1939, relating to marking of imported Margarine.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings in Committee on Military Training [Money] 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Military Training 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 "whilst resolutely determined to take all necessary steps to defend the country and to fulfil its international obligations, and confident that the necessary man-power can be provided by voluntary recruitment, this House regrets that His Majesty's Government, having grossly mismanaged foreign policy, exhibited grave incompetence in organising the national resources for defence, and failed to limit profits or prevent the amassing of large fortunes, have now, in violation of repeated pledges, introduced a measure of conscription,"—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.

The Prime Minister, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Military Training [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, 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 temporary provision for rendering persons between the ages of twenty and twenty-one years liable to undergo training in the armed forces of the Crown and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred by any Secretary of State or other Minister of the Crown in consequence of the passing of the said Act or the making of any Order in Council thereunder.—(Sir Victor Warrencer.)

Mr. Johnston 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, put the Question thereupon forthwith.

The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Tuesday, 9th May 1939:

Tellers for the [Mr. Anderson],
Yea, [Mr. Groves]; 108.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse],
Noes, [Colonel Kerr]; 255.

Original Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers],
Yea, [Mr. Adamson]; 70.

Tellers for the [Captain Dugdale],
Noes, [Colonel Harvie Watt]; 177.

Original Question again proposed.

Whereupon Motion was an abuse of the rules of the House, put, That the Question do lie the Chair.—(Mr. Silverman.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Munro],
Yea, [Mr. Grimston]; 159.

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves],
Noes, [Mr. Adamson]; 65.

Question put, That the Chairman do report the Resolution to the House.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr],
Yea, [Mr. Grimston]; 80.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers],
Noes, [Mr. Adamson]; 40.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Wheat (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poultry Industry 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 Finance 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 Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under takings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Bodmin Gas Consumers' Company, Limited, which was presented on the 19th day of April and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under takings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Wellingborough Gas Light Company, Limited, which was presented on the 28th day of March and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under takings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the County Borough of Middlesex which was approved on the 19th day of April and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Authorities and Local Government Officers (Joint Councils) 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 (Prevention of Deer Hunting) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of June next.

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 a quarter of an hour after Five of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 98.]

Tuesday, 9th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

CAPTAIN Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Papers relative to the position, as at 31st March 1939, of certain Funds left in Trust for the Reduction of the National Debt.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Macdonald presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the British Guiana Refugee Commission to the Advisory Committee on Political Refugees appointed by the President of the United States of America.

**Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.**

**Shops Acts.**

Mr. Secretary Cobville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copies of four Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for Scotland:—

Burg of Blairgowrie and Rattray.

**Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.**

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Special Reports by the Minister of Health under the Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870, on—

(1) Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Corsham Water) Bill;
(2) Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Water) Bill;
(3) Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Swaffham Water) Bill;
(4) Ministry of Health Provisional Order (York Water) Bill.

**Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.**

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection:—That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Miss Rathbone, and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Henry Guest.

**Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.**

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills:—That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the London County Council (Money) Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Chairman of Ways and Means further reported from the Committee:—That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereto to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

**Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.**

**Standing Committee B Marriage Bill.**

Mr. Gordon Macdonald reported from Standing Committee B:—That they had gone through the Marriage Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

**Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.**

**No. 119. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.**

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have agreed to the All Hallows Lombard Street Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Willenhall Urban District Council Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of Council Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Government of India Act, 1955, and the Government of Burma Act, 1935, in certain respects, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers on the Southampton Harbour Board and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Southampton Harbour 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 Business of was put, That the Proceedings on Government, being 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 [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, {Mr. Furness : }274.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Noes, {Mr. Mathers : }136.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Concription proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make administrative preparations for making use for war purposes of the possessions of certain classes of persons and for matters connected therewith—(Mr. Mander); And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Question put 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. 10. And it was was resolved in the Affirmative.

**Ordered, That Mr. Mander, Mr. Acland, Mr. Batey, Commander Fletcher, Mr. Foot, Mr. Cressch Jones, Mr. Kirkwood, Mr. Gordon Macdonald, Mr. Malcolm MacMillan, Mr. Wilfrid Roberts, Mr. Ellis Smith and Mr. Tinker do prepare and bring in the Bill.**

Mr. Mander accordingly presented a Bill to Concription, to make administrative preparations for making use for war purposes of the possessions of certain classes of persons and for matters connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.
The Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Sir James Edmondson.)

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Reserve and Auxiliary Forces [Money] proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further and temporary provision for enabling the reserve and auxiliary forces of the Crown to be called out for service as may be found necessary, and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by any Secretary of State or other Minister of the Crown in consequence of the passing of the said Act or the making of an Order in Council thereunder.—(Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha.) 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha reported from the Military Committee on Military Training [Money] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make temporary provision for rendering persons between the ages of twenty and twenty-one years liable to undergo training in the armed forces of the Crown and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred by any Secretary of State or other Minister of the Crown in consequence of the passing of the said Act or the making of any Order in Council thereunder.

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, (Colonel Kerr : 136.

Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Mathers : 61.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill be now 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 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) 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 Hairdressers (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames River Steamboat Service Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Elections (Free Postage) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 99.]

Wednesday, 10th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the Clock.

Prayers.

A Motion being made, That the Bristol Waterworks Bill be now read the third time;

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall, is concerned therein; Captain Wallace, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney-General presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Seventh Interim Report of the Law Revision Committee (Rule in Chandler v. Webster).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 4th May 1939, entitled—

(1) the Bread, Flour, Confectionery, and Sausage Manufacture (Commencement of Employment) Regulations, 1939;
(2) the Bread, Flour, Confectionery, and Sausage Manufacture (Overtime) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of Jesus College, Cambridge, on 13th February 1939, amending existing Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th April 1939, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Reduction and Adjustment of Superannuation Allowance) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order made under the Electricity (Supply) Acts and the Public Works Facilities Act, 1930, in respect of the parishes of Arrochar, Kilmaronock and Luss, and part of the parish of Rosneath, in the county of Dunbarton.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B,—Mr. De la Bère; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Fyfe.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Major Mills reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Sheffield Corporation Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and

made Amendments thereunto and had amended the Title as followeth: A Bill to authorise the Lord Mayor Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Sheffield to construct street improvements and waterworks to provide accommodation for vehicles and to acquire lands for these and other purposes; to use compulsorily certain lands; to confer further powers upon the Corporation with regard to their waterworks undertaking; to make provision for the protection of the gathering grounds of their waterworks undertaking; to make further provision with regard to the health improvement local government and finance of the City; and for other purposes.

Major Mills further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on the Committee stage, Report stage and Third Reading of the Special Military Training Bill and Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill and the Report stage of the Financial Resolution relating to the last mentioned Bill shall be proceeded with as follows:—

A.—Military Training Bill.

(1) Committee Stage.

Five allotted days shall be given to the proceedings on any instructions relating to the Bill and to the Committee stage of the Bill, and the proceedings on each allotted day shall be as shown in the second column of the following table, and those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time shown in the third column for that day:—

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(2) Report stage and Third Reading.

One allotted day (not being a Friday) shall be given to the Report stage and Third Reading of the Bill and the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 11.0 p.m. on that day.

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B.—RESERVE AND AUXILIARY FORCES BILL.

(1) The Report stage of the Financial Resolution and Committee stage of the Bill.

One allotted day shall be given to the Report stage of the Financial Resolution, to the proceedings on any instructions relating to the Bill and to the Committee stage of the Bill, and those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 7.30 p.m. on that day.

(2) Report stage and Third Reading of the Bill.

If on the day allotted under this Order to the Report stage and Third Reading of the Military Training Bill, the Committee stage of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill has been concluded and the Report stage of the last mentioned Bill is set down as the next Order of the Day after the Order relating to the Military Training Bill, the Report stage of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill shall be proceeded with on that day immediately after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Military Training Bill, and the proceedings on the Report stage and Third Reading of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion one hour after the conclusion of the Proceedings on the Military Training Bill.

C.—GENERAL.

On the conclusion of the Committee stage of each of the Bills aforesaid, the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without question put.

Any day including the day on which this Order is passed on which the Military Training Bill is put down as the First Order of the Day shall be considered a day allotted to that Bill for the purposes of this Order and any day on which the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill is put down as the First Order of the Day shall be considered a day allotted to that Bill for the purposes of this Order:

Provided that, where a day so allotted is a Friday, this Order shall have effect as if for references to 7.30 p.m. or 8.30 p.m. and 10 p.m. there were respectively substituted references to 1.0 p.m. and 3.0 p.m., and as if for references to 12 midnight there were substituted references to 3.30 p.m.

For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order, and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall, at the time so appointed, put forthwith the Question on any Amendments or Motion for Adjournment, or any Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded and, in the case of Government Amendments or Government new Clauses or Schedules, he shall put only the Question that the Amendments be made, or that the Clauses or Schedules be added to the Bill, as the case may be.

Any Private Business which has been set down for consideration at 7.30 p.m., and any Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order No. 8, on any day allotted to the Military Training Bill shall on that day, instead of being taken as provided by the Standing Orders, be taken on the conclusion of the proceedings on that Bill or under this Order for that day, or, if the Order for the Report stage of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill is set down as the next Order of the Day after the Military Training Bill on that day, on the conclusion of the proceedings on the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill, or under this Order for that day, and any Private Business or Motion for Adjournment so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

On a day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, those proceedings shall be exempted from the operation of Standing Order No. 1 notwithstanding anything in that Standing Order.

Notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders of the House relating to the precedence of business, the Military Training Bill may be set down as the First Order of the Day on any Friday, and if so set down shall have precedence of any other business.

On a day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order no dilatory Motion with respect to proceedings on either of the Bills aforesaid or under this Order, nor Motion that the Chairman do report Progress or do leave the Chair, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, or to re-commit the Bill, shall be received unless moved by the Government, and the Question on such Motion, if moved by the Government, shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any proceedings which under this Order are to be concluded on any particular day being concluded on any other day, or necessitate any particular day or part of a particular day being given to any such proceedings if those proceedings have been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other business being proceeded with on any particular day, or part of a particular day, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, if any proceedings to be concluded under this Order on that particular day, or part of a particular day, have been disposed of.—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Captain Dugdale,
Yea, 383.
Colonel Herbert:

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley,
Noes, 133.
Mr. Charlton:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The House according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Training Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Classes of persons liable to be registered and called up for military training).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out from the word "subject," to the word "shall," in I. 12, and insert the words "ordinarily resident in Great Britain."—(Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Sir Ronald Ross, 21.
Tellers for the {Mr. Grimston, 261.
Noes, Sir James Edmondson:
Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out the words "the United Kingdom," and insert the words "Great Britain."—(Mr. Shinwell.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Grimston, 248.
Yeas, Captain Dugdale :
Tellers for the {Mr. Mathers, 181.
Noes, Mr. Adamson :

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that all persons who are unemployed, or have had at any time their allowance reduced or refused owing to the means test, or have been unemployed for a continuous period of one month at least in the preceding three years, or are the sons of men who died or were totally or partially disabled in the last war, shall only be so registered with their own consent given in writing."—(Mr. Stephen.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Stephen, 126.
Yeas, Mr. McComb:
Tellers for the {Sir James Edmondson, 199.
Noes, Mr. Muir:

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 7, after the word "register," to insert the words "after he attains the age of eighteen years and"—(Mr. Garro Jones.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Mathers, 132.
Yeas, Mr. Anderson :
Tellers for the {Sir James Edmondson, 215.
Noes, Colonel Herbert :

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, to leave out from the word "years," to the second word "the," in I. 10, and insert the words,—

"(4) The Minister shall permit any person so registered to postpone his liability to be called up for military training if he is satisfied that the person is undergoing a term of apprenticeship or is engaged in full-time education or otherwise studying for a professional examination or university degree.

(6) In any case to which the foregoing subsection is made applicable."—(Mr. Greenwood.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

And, it being Ten of the clock, the Chairman put the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Furness, 243.
Yeas, Sir James Edmondson :
Tellers for the {Mr. Groves, 151.
Noes, Mr. Anderson :

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Questions on Amendments moved by the Government, of which notice had been given, and the Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at Ten of the clock at this day's sitting.

Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Captain Dugdale, 248.
Yeas, Sir James Edmondson :
Tellers for the {Mr. Groves, 134.
Noes, Mr. Anderson :

Clause No. 2 (Exemption of certain classes of persons).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 33, to leave out from the word "the," to the word "been," in I. 34, and insert the words "passing of this Act."—(Mr. Alexander.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Colonel Kerr, 225.
Yeas, Mr. Muir :
Tellers for the {Mr. Mathers, 144.
Noes, Mr. Adamson :

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 37, to leave out from the word "forces," to the end of l. 40.—(Mr. Parker.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Thursday, 11th May 1939:

Tellers for the {Colonel Kerr, 237.
Yeas, Captain Dugdale :
Tellers for the {Mr. Groves, 133.
Noes, Mr. Mathers :

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman put the Questions on Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at Midnight at this day's sitting.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Air Ministry Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) 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 Official Secrets 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Second Reading of the Poultry Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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 this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry Second Reading of the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill;
Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill [Money];
Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Money) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Other Amendments made.

The Order of the day being read, for the Standing Committee on the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Money) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Standing Committee on the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Money) Bill:
Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Standing Committee on the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Money) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Standing Committee on the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill;
Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Standing Committee on the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill:
Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Thursday, 11th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London County Council (Improvements) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The City of London (Various 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.

Walsall Corporation Bill.

The Walsall Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

National Service.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Schedule of Reserved Occupations (Provisional—Revision, May 1939).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the enactments relating to streets buildings and structures in London; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London Building Acts (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Croydon to pay compensation for certain loss injury or damage resulting from a certain outbreak of typhoid fever in the said borough notwithstanding certain provisions of the Public Authorities Protection Act 1893 and the Fatal Accidents Act 1846; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Croydon Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The London Building Acts (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Southern Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Southern Railway Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Mr. Boulton further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Scottish Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords.], and verbally amended the same, and found the same as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

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Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Tiverton Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Tiverton Corporation Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Mr. Boulton further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Scottish Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords.], 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 Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

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Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Tiverton Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Tiverton Corporation Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:

That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Training Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 (Conscientious objectors).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(5) An applicant for registration as a conscientious objector who is aggrieved by any order of a local tribunal, and the Minister, if he considers it necessary, may, within the prescribed time and in the prescribed manner appeal to the appellate tribunal constituted under Part II of the Schedule to this Act, and the decision of the appellate tribunal shall be final:

Provided that if the decision of the local tribunal with respect to any order made by them was unanimous, the applicant shall not be entitled to appeal to the appellate tribunal except with the leave of the local or the appellate tribunal.

(6) The Minister or any person authorised by him shall be entitled to be heard on any application or appeal to a tribunal under this section."—(Mr. Lansbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 3, after the word "tribunal," to insert the words "and any person who is aggrieved by the transfer of his name to the military training register under the provisions of subsection (6) of this section."—(Mr. Lansbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 11, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "the," in l. 12, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 21, to leave out the words "may empower," and insert the words "shall require."—(Mr. Sorensen.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 32, after the word "allowances," to insert the words "including compensation for loss of remunerative time."—(Mr. James Griffiths.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Matthews: 133.

Tellers for the Colonels

Harris Watt,

Captain McEwen: 244.

Another Amendment made.

Question proposed, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

And, it being half-past Eight of the clock, Question put, That the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 10th May, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair.

Question, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Medical examination).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 39, after the word "time," to insert the words "(not being earlier than the tenth day after the date of the service of the notice )."—(Mr. Shinwell.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Whiteley: 135.

Tellers for the Nos,

Mr. Munro: 234.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 5, after the word "boards," to insert the words "and an appellate medical board."—(Mr. Silkin.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Whiteley: 146.

Tellers for the Nos,

Captain McEwen: 239.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 15, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(3) The result of any such examination shall be entered in the records of the person examined, and such entry shall be conclusive evidence of the person's physical condition and state of health at the time of examination."—(Mr. Ellis Smith.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

And it being Midnight, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 10th May, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Friday, 12th May 1939:

Questions put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Matthews: 132.

Tellers for the Nos,

Mr. Munro: 229.
The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Industry Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read for the Civil Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message Solicitors Bill of the 4th day of this instant May as [Lords.] communicates the Resolution, That it is desirable that the Solicitors Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament, be now taken into consideration.—[Mr. James Stuart.]

The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the Lords' Message into consideration.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Lords in the said Resolution. —[Mr. James Stuart]:—And a Debate arising thereon;

And objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

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-three minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.
Mr. Shakespeare presented, by His Majesty's Navy Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1940.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, by Army His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Army for the year ending 31st March 1940.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Air Services His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for Air Services for the year ending 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Acts, entitled—

(1) the Local Government Superannuation (Additional Contributory Payment) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.

(2) the Local Government Superannuation (Sum in lieu of Transfer Value) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Acts, by the Edinburgh Corporation.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Coventry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Coventry Corporation Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Training Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 5 (Calling up persons for military training).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 20, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that a military training notice shall not be served upon a person engaged in agriculture requiring him to present himself for service before the first day of October in any year, and."—(Mr. Turton.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 27, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided also that the Minister shall not exercise his power to serve military training notices unless he is satisfied that there will be available at the places specified in the notices accommodation for the persons concerned on a basis of floor space and air space equal to that prescribed for the standard peace time accommodation of members of His Majesty's regular forces at home stations."

—(Mr. Alexander.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,]

Yea, [Mr. Mathers:] 98.

No, [Captain Dugdale:] 190.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 2, after the first word "to," to insert the words "take duty in aid of the civil power in connection with a trade dispute, or to perform in consequence of a trade dispute any civil or industrial duty customarily performed by a civilian in the course of his employment, or to."

—(Mr. Shinwell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided also that any persons called up for military training under this Act shall be entitled freely to form associations for the discussion of military and political matters and the conditions of their service and to elect representatives to take up their grievances with the military and civil authorities."—(Mr. Ridley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

And, it being One of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 10th May, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Adamson,]

Yea, [Mr. Anderson :] 106.

No, [Captain McEwen:] 215.

Tellers for the [Sir James Edmondson,]

Yeas, [Mr. Anderson :] 106.

Noes, [Mr. Groves:] 215.

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Questions on Amendments moved by the Government, of which notice had been given, and the Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at One of the clock at this day's sitting.

Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr,]

Yeas, [Captain McEwen :] 218.

Noes, [Mr. Anderson :] 110.

Clause No. 6 (Reinstatement in civil employment).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 28, to leave out from the first word "for," to the word "was," in l. 29, and insert the words "training to which this section applies."

—(Colonel Llewellin.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question proposed, That the proposed words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "training," to insert the words "or made subject to the condition that he shall engage in and perform work of national importance."—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charleton,]

Yeas, [Mr. Adamson :] 113.

Noes, [Colonel Herbert :] 200.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 30, to leave out the words "when he was so called up," and insert the words "on the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine."—(Mr. Mander.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 30, after the word "up," to insert the words "upon receiving fourteen days notice from such person prior to the termination of his six months' training period that he desires to be reinstated."—(Major Guest.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

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Monday, 15th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Colne Valley Water Bill. THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Colne Valley Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London County Council (Money) Bill. 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.

Methodist Church Bill [Lords.] The House proceeded to take into consideration the Methodist Church Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

South Staffordshire Water Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Staffordshire Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North West Midlands Joint Electricity Authority Provisional Order Bill. Captain Austin Hudson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made under section one of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1922, relating to the North West Midlands Joint Electricity Authority: And the same was read at the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Palestine. Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statement of Policy concerning Palestine.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Civilians Estimates (Supplementary Estimates, 1939.) No. 123. Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1940.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Sir Reginald Dorman Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 11th May 1939, authorising the landing at London from New Zealand of two Romney Marsh Rams and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto (Order No. 5843).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Nurses Registration of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to the Rules of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Macdonald presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th April 1939, Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) (Gloucester Cheese) Regulations, 1939. Marking Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Scheme, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Newquay Town Planning Scheme No. 1. Act, 1932.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Jarrow Corporation Bill, from the Committee on Unopposed Bills:—Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be printed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill. And the said Order was amended, by leaving out the words “Committee or,” and in sub-paragraph 5 of paragraph C, 1. 9, after the second word “the,” by inserting the words “Committee or.”—(The Prime Minister.)
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Military Training Bill

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Training Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 6 (Reinstatement in civil employment).

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 5, to leave out from the words last inserted to the end of l. 16.—(Mr. Ede.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “applicable,” in l. 12, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas,] Mr. Cove : 241.

Tellers for the [Mr. Adamson, Noes,] Mr. Anderson : 132.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 16, at the end, to insert the words,—

“Provided also that where a defence on any of the grounds set forth in the foregoing paragraphs (a) and (b) is successfully maintained, the court shall nevertheless order the employer to pay to the person concerned, a sum not less than an amount equal to twelve weeks’ remuneration at the rate at which his remuneration was last payable to him by the employer.”—(Mr. Boyd Davies.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Adamson, Yeas,] Mr. Anderson : 135.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Noes,] Colonel Harris Watt : 241.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, after the words last inserted, to insert the words,—

“(2) Any person whose employer has failed to reinstate him in accordance with the provisions of this section, may submit his complaint to a Military Training (Hardship) Committee, and if the Committee are satisfied that the complaint is well-founded they shall advise the Minister accordingly, whose duty it shall be to institute proceedings against the employer.”—(Mr. Montague.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

And, being half-past Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 10th May, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas,] Mr. Cove : 141.

Tellers for the [Captain Dagdale, Noes,] Mr. Muir : 267.

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Questions on Amendments moved by the Government, of which notice had been given, and the Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at half-past Seven of the clock at this day’s sitting.

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Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Dagdale, Yeas,] Mr. Muir : 269.

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes,] Mr. Mothers : 132.

Clauses No. 7 and No. 8 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Information to be furnished by education authorities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 16, after the word “to,” to insert the words “the names, ages, addresses, occupations, and academic standing of.”—(Mr. Harvey.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 16, to leave out the words “or who have received.”—(Mr. Coce.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas,] Mr. Furness : 249.

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes,] Mr. Whiteley : 146.

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Grinston, Yeas,] Captain McEwen : 253.

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes,] Mr. Mothers : 148.

Clause No. 10 (Power to provide for consequential matters).

Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 25, after the word “Council,” to insert the words “at any time within twelve months after the passing of this Act.”—(Mr. Foot.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Percy Harris, Yeas,] Sir Hugh Seely : 141.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr, Noes,] Captain McEwen : 243.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 11 agreed to.

Clause No. 12 (Regulations and Orders).

Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 15, after the word “ make,” to insert the word “draft.”—(Mr. Lawson.)

Question put, That the word “draft” be there inserted.—The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Tuesday, 16th May 1939:

Tellers for the [Mr. Mothers, Yeas,] Mr. Adamson : 136.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr, Noes,] Mr. Muir : 247.
And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman proceeded successively to put forthwith the Questions on Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at Midnight at this day’s sitting.

An Amendment made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 13 agreed to.
Clauses No. 14 to No. 16 amended, and agreed to.
Clause No. 17 agreed to.
Then the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 11th day of this instant May, That this House doth concur in the Resolution, That it is desirable that the Solicitors Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith; and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Wheat (Amendment) 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 taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Air Ministry Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Second Reading of the Poultry Industry Bill; Industry Bill,
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill,
Second Reading of the Finance Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry Second Reading of the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill;
Ordered, That the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Hall-marking into consideration the Hall-marking of Foreign Plate Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Marriage Bill to take into consideration the Marriage 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.
Local Authorities and Local Government Officers (Joint Councils) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities and Local Government Officers (Joint Councils) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Coal Mines Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of March last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Coal Mines Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And, it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eighteen minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4),

I hereby nominate Sir Robert Smith Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of the Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker.

15th May 1939.

[No. 103.]

Tuesday, 16th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hailsham Water) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Burnham and District Water) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Kent Water) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Swaffham Water) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between the United Kingdom and the Italian Government regarding Quotas for Imports into Italy. Rome, 14th March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following:

Private Bills (Lords) (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

London Building Acts (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

Southampton Harbour 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.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Croydon Corporation) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

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.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (London Building Acts) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (London Building Acts (Amendment) 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.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Water) Bill.
Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords]:—Brigadier-General Clifton Brown, Sir Thomas Cook, Colonel Crudzas, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Gedkiss, Mr. Hepworth, Sir John Mellor, Mr. Allan Reid, Major Shaw, and Wing-Commander Wright.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords:—Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the London and North Eastern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Wild Birds (Duck and Geese) Protection Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Limitation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Bognor Gas and Electricity Company and to change the name of the Bognor Gas and Electricity Company of the Under-taking of the City of Chichester Gas Company; to confer further powers upon the Conservators; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Medway Conservancy Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Bognor Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Training Bill.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Power to apply Act to British subjects ordinarily resident outside Great Britain),—(Mr. Attorney-General),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Parliamentary Franchise),—(Mr. Benn),—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 Yeas, (Mr. Mathers)
- Mr. Whiteley, 140.
- Mr. Munnor, 241.

Tellers for the Noes, (Capt. Waterhouse)
- Mr. Munnor, 248.

Another Clause (Civil contracts with respect to wages, &c.),—(Mr. Jagger),—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

And, it being half-past Seven of the clock, Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Mathers)
- Mr. Whiteley, 144.
- Mr. Munnor, 248.

Tellers for the Noes, (Colonel Harris Watt)
- Mr. Jagger, 248.

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Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 9, to leave out the words " of one or other of the," and insert the words " drawn in equal numbers from each of the two."—(Mr. Shinwell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted. Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 13, to leave out from the word " forty-one," to the end of the paragraph. —(Mr. Parker.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted. Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 20, after the word " members," to insert the words " (being persons not connected with any of His Majesty’s Forces)."—(Mrs. Hardie.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted. Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 23, at the end, to insert the words " and of the four other members not more than one shall be resident within the district in which the tribunal exercise their jurisdiction."—(Mr. Watson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted. Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to Bill reported, the Bill, as amended, to the House, pursuant to the Order of the House of 16th May.
Mr. Deputy 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 Thursday next; and be printed.

Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Calling out of reserve and auxiliary forces).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 10, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that no such person shall, by virtue of this section, be liable to take duty in aid of the civil power in connection with a trade dispute, or to perform, in consequence of a trade dispute, any civil or industrial duty customarily performed by a civilian in the course of his employment."—(Mr. Lawson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Wednesday, 17th May 1939:

And it being one hour and thirty minutes after the conclusion of proceedings on the Military Training Bill, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 10th May, as amended by the Order of the House of 15th May, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Mathers,

Mr. Adamson:

Yea,

211.

Mr. Adamson:

Tellers for the

Captain Dugdale,

Sir James Edmondson:

No,

227.

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Question on Amendments moved by the Government, of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to bring the Committee stage to a conclusion.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Captain Dugdale,

Mr. Munro:

Yea,

224.

Tellers for the Mr. Mathers,

Mr. Adamson:

No,

109.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 4 to No. 7 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill, as amended, to the House, pursuant to the Order of the House of 10th May.

Mr. Deputy 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 Thursday next; and be printed.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Local Government (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 Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Industry Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Defence Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Hall-marking into consideration the Hall-marking of Foreign Plate 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 Flour Milling Industry (Prevention of Abuses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Second Reading of the Marking of Manufactured Goods Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Places (Order and Decency) 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 Companies Act (1929) 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 Building Societies 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 Official Secrets 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 Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) 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 Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hairdressers (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Elections (Free Postage) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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 fourteen minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Sir Robert Young Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill.

E. A. FrizzBoy, Speaker.

16th May 1939.

[No. 104.]

Wednesday, 17th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Gosport Corporations Bill [Lords.] be now read the third time:

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, 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.

Ordered, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Burnham and District Water) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hailsham Water) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Kent Water) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Swaffham Water) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.


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 made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Borough of Eccles.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \(\text{Mr. Munro}\),
Yea, \(\text{Captain McEwen : } 248\).
Tellers for the \(\text{Mr. Groves,}\)
Noe, \(\text{Mr. Charleton : } 131\).

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Licensing put. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require justices to declare that they are not disqualified by section forty of the Licensing (Consolidation) Act, 1910, from acting as justices for any purpose under the Licensing Acts; to amend the said section forty; and for purposes connected therewith—(Captain Arthur Evans).

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \(\text{Captain Arthur Evans,}\)
Yea, \(\text{Mr. Emmott : } 186\).
Tellers for the \(\text{Mr. James Griffiths,}\)
Noe, \(\text{Mr. Jenkins : } 79\).

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Captain Arthur Evans, Mr. Craven-Ellis, Mr. Foot, Mr. Greswell, Mr. Temple Morris, Mr. Raikes, Sir Frank Sanderson, and Sir Arnold Wilson do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Captain Arthur Evans accordingly presented Licensing a Bill to require justices to declare that they are not disqualified by section forty of the Bill. Licensing (Consolidation) Act, 1910, from Bill 142, acting as justices for any purpose under the Licensing Acts; to amend the said section forty; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for expenditure not provided for in the Army Estimates for the year:— Schedule.

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Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £90 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Shinwell.)
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Mr. Whiteley,"
Yea, Mr. Anderson: 130.

Tellers for the "Mr. Stuart,
Noes, 214.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Air Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

2. £100 (Supplementary) for expenditure not provided for in the Air Estimates for the year.

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7. Reserve and Auxiliary Forces - £100

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

3. £100 (Supplementary) for expenditure not provided for in the Navy Estimates for the year.

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7. Royal Naval Reserves - £100

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

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Vote 2A. Reserve of Merchant Ships.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £2,100,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the purchase and upkeep of merchant ships as a reserve of shipping against a national emergency, and incidental expenses connected therewith.

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Question put, and agreed to.

14A. Reserve of Agricultural Machinery.

5. £1,250,000, for the purchase and storage of tractors and other agricultural machinery as a reserve against a national emergency, and for incidental expenses connected therewith.

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 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 Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Hall-marking to take into consideration the Hall-marking of Foreign Foreign Plate 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 Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

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-nine minutes after One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[No. 105.]

Thursday, 18th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz. —

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Corsham Water) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz. —

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newhaven and Seaford Water) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (York Water) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Standing Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the London County Council (Improvements) [Lords], Petition for the London County Council Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with;—That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Viscountess Davidson, Mr. Hogg, and Sir Ernest Graham-Little; and had appointed in substitution: Sir George Jones, Major Leighten, and Brigadier-General Sir Ernest Makins.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Saint Nicholas Millbrook (Southampton) Church (Sale) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the London Midland and Scottish Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Camps Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Mumbles Pier made by this House to the Mumbles Pier Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Metropolitan Water Board to execute works and to acquire lands, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the abandonment of the Droitwich Canal and the Droitwich Junction Canal and the vesting thereof in the Droitwich Corporation; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Metropolitan Water Board Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

George Alfred Isaacs, Esquire, Member for New Member for Southwark (North Division), sworn.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Military Training Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, in respect of the Amendments in Clause 3, p. 7, l. 18, and in Clause 3, p. 7, l. 29, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. William Morrison.—(Mr. Ernest Brown.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Amendments to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and on re-committal, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (Place and time for legal proceedings).—(Mr. Attorney-General),—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Application to Scotland).—(Mr. Creech Jones),—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Provision of educational and social facilities).—(Mr. Creech Jones.)

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 Clause and Clause were, severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Penalty for refusal on conscientious grounds to obey order).—(Mr. Messer.)

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 (Penalties for offences).—(Mr. Foot.)

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:—It passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 20, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"Provided that in the case of any such person in which to the satisfaction of the Minister and/or Military Training (Hardship) Committee it is established that immediate calling up would imperil the existence of the business which he alone carries on, there shall be accorded one year’s postponement of the military training specified to enable him to make suitable arrangements for his absence from the said business."—(Mr. Perkins.)

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. 11, by inserting, after the word "registered," the words "or may permit any person so registered to be exempt from his liability to be called up for military training."—(Mr. Ellis Smith.)

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. Mathers, Mr. Adamson:

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Munro, Captain McEwen:

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, by leaving out ll. 27 to 31.—(Mr. Davidson.)

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 James Edmondson, Captain McEwen:

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Mathers:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 51, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(5) The Minister may make regulations to provide for enabling parties to proceedings before a Military Training (Hardship) Committee or before the umpire or any deputy-umpire to appear either in person or by a representative of any trade union to which they belong or by a friend."—(Mr. Silverman.)

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 Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 55, by inserting, after the second word "the" the word "sworn."—(Mr. Ede.)

And the Question being put, That the word "sworn" 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. 11, l. 16, by inserting, after the word "months" the words "or such shorter period as may from time to time be considered desirable."—(Mr. Maxton.)

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 Bill, Mr. Adamson, 130.

Tellers for the Bill, Mr. Anderson: 237.

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. 13, l. 22, by inserting, after the word "time," the words "unless, being a serving territorial, he has twice in the two annual returns immediately previous to his militia service, been passed as efficient by his territorial unit, in which case he shall retain, during his militia service, his territorial status and rank and be considered and described as a territorial militiaman attached to the regular army."—(Colonel Macnamara.)

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. 15, l. 12, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words:—

"(2) An employer shall not be deemed to have discharged his obligations under this section unless the person reinstated in employment with him as this section requires is allowed to retain that employment for a period not less than the period during which he was employed by that employer before being called up for service under this Act, or for three months, whichever period be the greater:

Provided that it shall be a defence to any proceedings under this subsection that the person so employed was dismissed for serious and wilful misconduct."—(Mr. Silverman.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Bill, Mr. Adamson, 128.

Tellers for the Bill, Mr. Anderson: 338.

So it passed in the Negative.

And, it being after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant May, successively to put forthwith the Questions on Amendments moved by the Government, of which Notice had been given, and the Question necessary to bring to a conclusion the proceedings on the Bill.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Bill, Mr. Adamson, 204.

Tellers for the Bill, Mr. Mathers, 69.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Resolved, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Wheat (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Resolved, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the **Criminal Justice Bill**, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the **Official Secrets 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 **Poultry Industry 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 **Aerodromes Bill (Scotland)** (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the **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 **Deposit Fund (General Government) Bill (re-committed)** 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 **India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords]**;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the **Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill**;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the **Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill**, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the **Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill**;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the **Poultry Industry Bill**;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the **Civil Defence Bill**;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the **Licensing (Declaration by Justices) Bill**;

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. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-one minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

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Friday, 19th May 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Corsham Water) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newhaven and Seaford Water) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (York Water) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by Aliens Order, His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of 1920.

Alien Passengers, excluding Transmigrants, landed, embarked, and refused leave to land in the United Kingdom during 1939 (in four quarterly parts).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Glastonbury and District Gas Company, Limited.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Scheme for effecting the union of the benefices (being a rectory) of Woolwich (Saint John), both of which benefices are situate in the county of Kent and in the diocese of Southwark.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments therunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Camps Bill, Bill 144.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class II.

Vote 1. Foreign Office.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £128,156 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Mr. George Strauss 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, put the Question thereupon forthwith.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Whiteley,

Yeas, 86.

Mr. Anderson:

Tellers for the

Mr. Grimston,

Noes, 142.

Colonel Herbert:

Original Question again proposed.

Whereupon Question put (Abuse of Rules.)

That a sum not exceeding £128,056 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to [Lords.] and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to [Lords.] and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Royal Wanstead School Bill [Lords] was Royal Wanstead School Bill [Lords] 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 Amendment made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Jarrow Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sheffield Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Southern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Tiverton Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Southampton Harbour Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's United States Command, —Copy of Papers relating to the British War Debt, May 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Recommendations relating to the use of certain powers of purchase of the undertakings authorised by the Caterham Electric Lighting Order, 1900, and the Woldingham and District Electricity Special Order, 1924, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Recommendations relating to the use of certain powers of purchase of the undertakings authorised by the Caterham Electric Lighting Order, 1900, and the Woldingham and District Electricity Special Order, 1924, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Recommendations relating to the use of certain powers of purchase of the undertakings authorised by the Caterham Electric Lighting Order, 1900, and the Woldingham and District Electricity Special Order, 1924, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The London Building Acts (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Southamptont Harbour Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Recommendations relating to the use of certain powers of purchase of the undertakings authorised by the Caterham Electric Lighting Order, 1900, and the Woldingham and District Electricity Special Order, 1924, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Cowbridge Rural Planning Scheme No. 1. 

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha 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 Sussex under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921.

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 Regulations, dated 17th May 1939, entitled the Cinematograph Film Stripping Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,  Mr. Kerr; Mr. Groves:
Tellers for the Noes, Captain Waterhouse; Colonel Kerr:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the policy of His Majesty's Government relating to Palestine, as set out in Command Paper No. 6019—(Mr. Secretary MacDonald);

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 " as the proposals of His Majesty's Government relating to Palestine, this House is of opinion that Parliament should not be committed pending the examination of these proposals by the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations,"—(Mr. Thomas Williams),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Colonel Kerr reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of this instant May, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Army Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for expenditure not provided for in the Army Estimates for the year.

2. Territorial Army and Reserve Forces—Grants.

Vote—£ £


Vote—£ £

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, 1939.


Vote—£ £

5. Reserve of Agricultural Machinery—Grants.

Vote—£ £

The first Three Resolutions, being read a second time, were postponed.

Then the remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the postponed Resolutions be taken into further 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 taking into consideration the Wheat Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Criminal Justice Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Official Secrets Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 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 to-morrow.

Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Poultry Industry Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poultry Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Civil Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Civil Defence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Camps Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities and Local Government Officers (Joint Councils) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment, which, upon the 3rd day of March last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Coal Mines Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection Second Reading of the Protection of Animals (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Voluntary Second Reading of the Voluntary Hospitals (Relief from Rating) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Second Reading of the Licensing (Declaration by Justices) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 108.]

Tuesday, 23rd May 1939.

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 Private Bills (Lords) Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)
Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

- Bogor Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords].
- Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords].
- Medway Conservancy Bill [Lords].
- Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords].
- Metropolitan Water Board 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.:

- St. Helens Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill.
- Southend-on-Sea Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

- Falmouth Docks [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Unemployment Assistance Board for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for Scotland:

- City and Royal Burgh of Perth.

Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 16th May 1939, entitled the Education (Scotland) Agricultural Colleges Additional Grant Regulations Minute, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made—

1) from India of one Axis Deer (Order No. 5844); and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ramsbotham presented, pursuant to the War Pensions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Acts of Orders, dated 22nd May 1939, entitled,—

1) to the Portsmouth and Sussex (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1939;
2) the Ashton-under-Lyne, Derby and Stockport (War Pensions Committees) Orders Amendment Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the London directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Traffic Regulations, dated 18th May 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 50) Ronthwe Street, West Ham) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Rules made under the Faculty Jurisdiction Measure, 1938, by the Committee thereby established.

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 Amendments Scottish to the Universities Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) Bill, with which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to constitute a joint board comprising representatives of the Stroud Rural District Council the Stroud Urban District Council and the Nailsworth Urban District Council, to transfer to and vest in the said Board the undertaking of the Stroud Water Company and the water undertakings of the Stroud Urban District Council and the Stroud Rural District Council; to empower the said Board
Palestine.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Urban District Council of Milford Haven to enlarge their Prescelly Reservoir and to confer further powers upon the Council in regard to their water undertakings; to empower the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Tenby to construct works to enable them to take a supply of water from the Urban District Council of Milford Haven; to make further provisions with respect to the finances of the Urban District; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Stroud District Water Board &c Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Milford Haven and Tenby Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Sir Frank Sanderson, supported by Sir Patrick Hannan, Sir Lambert Ward, Mr. Herbert Williams, Rear-Admiral Sir Murray Suter, Sir Thomas Moore, Sir John Withers, Vice-Admiral Taylor, Mr. Green-Ellis, Rear-Admiral Beamish, Captain Arthur Evans, and Sir Robert Gover, presented a Bill to make compulsory the exercise of the parliamentary franchise; and for purposes incidental thereto: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Civil Defence Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister); and for other purposes; which, upon the 22nd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That this House approves the policy of His Majesty's Government relating to Palestine, as set out in Command Paper No. 6019, are inconsistent with the letter and spirit of the mandate and not calculated to secure the peaceful and prosperous development of Palestine, this House is of opinion that Parliament should not be committed pending the examination of these proposals by the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations;'—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 Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Captain Mergesson, Sir John Murray, Noes, Mr. Anderson:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Captain Kerr, Mr. Munro:

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Mathers:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House approves the policy of His Majesty's Government relating to Palestine, as set out in Command Paper No. 6019.

The House, according to Order, resolved Civil Defence itself into a Committee on the Civil Defence Bill.

Clause No. 14 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 15 (Special provisions as to commercial buildings when owner does not occupy the whole building).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 28, at the end, to insert the words—

'"(5) The Rating and Valuation (Air-Raid Works) Act, 1938, shall be read and have effect as if, in addition to the matters referred to in section one of that Act (which relates to relief of air-raid protection works from rates) that section provided that in ascertaining under the principal Act (as defined in subsection (4) of that section) the value for rating purposes of a hereditament no regard shall be had to the said increase or to such portion of the rent as is attributable to expenses as defined in subsection (5) of this section or to any part of such expenses.'" (Mr. Spence.)

Question proposed, That these words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
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Other Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 16 agreed to.
Clauses No. 17 and No. 18 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 19 and No. 20 agreed to.
Clause No. 21 (Erection of shelters provided by the Crown).
Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 29, to leave out the word "may," and insert the word "shall."—(Sir George Broadbridge.)
Question, That the word "may" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 29, after the word "may," to insert the words "subject to such directions as the local authority may give."—(Mr. David Adams.)
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 2, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that the powers conferred by this subsection shall not be exercisable with reference to any land belonging to the Metropolitan Water Board, in which there are laid any mains, pipes, apparatus or works of that Board."—(Mr. Robert Morrison.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 3, to leave out subsection (3), and insert the words:

"(3) Where works as provided in this Part of the Act are executed in or on any premises, building or land, by or on the advice of a local authority, the owner of the premises, building or land shall be entitled to recover from the local authority, compensation for any depreciation he has thereby sustained in the value of such estate or interest."—(Sir George Broadbridge.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses No. 38 and No. 39 agreed to.
Clauses No. 40 and No. 41 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 42 (Duties of local authorities).
Amendment proposed, in p. 33, l. 36, after the word "buildings," to insert the words "and the extension of existing buildings."—(Mr. Ede.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses No. 43 agreed to.
Clauses No. 44 to No. 46 amended, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 taking into consideration the Unemployment Insurance 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 taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of this instant May; and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Wheat (Amendment) 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 Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) 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 Wheat (Amendment) 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 Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) 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 Flour Milling Industry (Prevention of Abuses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of June 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 upon Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Places (Order and Decency) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Act (1929) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia (Property) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of December last, That the Contraceptives (Regulation) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hairdressers (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

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 two minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
3 Geo. VI. 24th May. 1939.
[No. 109.]

Wednesday, 24th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords]
was 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 Coventry Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The St. Helens Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Southend-on-Sea Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 5th May 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Substitution) (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Captain Crookshank also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 24th May 1939, made under the Finance Act, 1935, entitled the Import Duties (Substitution) (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Account of the Commissioners for the Refutation of the National Debt, showing the amount issued from the Exchequer and applied in the year ended 31st March 1939, in respect of the Old Sinking Fund and of the New Sinking Fund (1928).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Account be printed.


Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on 10th March 1939, amending an existing Statute of the House.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Destructive Insects and Pests Acts.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 16th May 1939, entitled the Importation of Plants Order of 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Ministry Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Ministry of Health relating to the borough of Congleton; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Ministry Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Ministry of Health relating to the borough of Margate; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Ministry Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Ministry of Health relating to the urban district of Matlock; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Congleton) Bill [Lords] was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and that the said Account be printed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Margate) Bill [Lords] was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and that the said Account be printed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Matlock) Bill [Lords] was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and that the said Account be printed.

The Saint Peter’s Chapel Stockport Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and that the said Account 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 [Mr. Munro, Mr. Furness ;]—202.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Mathers ;]—121.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Civil Defence Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 47 (Evacuation of civil population).

Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 14, after the word "measures," to insert the words "including the compulsory reservation of premises and the imposition of restrictions upon transferees."—(Mr. Ede.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 48 (Requisition of premises and vehicles).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 39, l. 2, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided also that the traffic commissioners shall not consent to the taking of possession of any vehicle belonging to public utility undertakers who carry on a water, gas, or electricity undertaking and used or required for use for the purpose of their undertaking."—(Mr. Ross Taylor.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 39, l. 18, to leave out subsection (3), and insert the words:

"(3) In any case in which a local authority take possession of any premises or vehicle, or the Commissioners of Works take possession of any premises under this section, there shall be paid by that local authority, or, if possession is taken by the Commissioner of Works, out of moneys provided by Parliament, such compensation to such persons as Parliament may hereafter determine."—(Sir John Anderson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question put, That the proposed words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \textit{Sir James Edmondson,}

\textit{Major Harvie Watt : } 195.

Tellers for the \textit{Mr. Mathers,}

\textit{Mr. Anderson : } 125.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 49 (Special provisions as to supply of water for extinguishing fires).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 41, l. 26, to leave out from the word "apply," to the end of l. 28.—(Mr. Fleming.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 50 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 51 agreed to.

Clause No. 52 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 53 and No. 54 agreed to.

Clause No. 55 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 56 (Compensation in the event of injury to persons engaged in air-raid precautions activities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 44, l. 37, at the end to insert the words—

"(4) Before making, revoking, or varying any scheme under the powers of this section, the Treasury shall consult with associations representing various classes of local authorities exercising functions under the Act of 1937 or this Act."—(Mrs. Hardie.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 57 and No. 58 agreed to.

Clause No. 59 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 60 to No. 65 agreed to.

Clause No. 66 (Exemption of certain works from building byelaws, &c.).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 51, l. 1, after the word "advice," to insert the words "or requirement or with the concurrence or approval."—(Mr. Ross Taylor.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 51, l. 5, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that the factory inspector or the mines inspector, as the case may be, shall send to the local authority a copy of any report submitted by the occupier of any factory premises or the owner of any mine together with a copy of any report submitted by him to such occupier or owner.

Where, on receipt of any such report, it appears to the local authority that such works may—

(i) adversely affect sewers, pipes, cables, mains provided by such local authority; or

(ii) affect the stability of the premises in which such works are to be executed or of property adjoining thereto,

the local authority may require plans of such works to be submitted to them for approval."—(Mr. Westwood.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 67 to No. 70 agreed to.

Clause No. 71 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 72 (Definitions of "factory", "factory premises", "mine" and "commercial building", and interpretation of references to persons working and persons employed).

Amendment proposed, in p. 52, l. 39, at the end, to insert the words—

"(b) the said expression does not include any factory in use for the purpose of the employment or training of blind persons, where the Minister has approved a scheme for the evacuation of such persons in event of emergency and where in event of such emergency taking place such persons are evacuated."—(Miss Horsbrugh.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 73 (Other provisions as to interpretation).
Amendments made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 56, l. 23, after the word "electricity," to insert the words "municipal transport, market."—(Mr. Westwood.)
Question, put, That those words be there inserted.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the f Mr. John, Yeas, Mr. Adamson : 115.
Tellers for the f Colonel Kerr, Noes, Mr. Munro : 166.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 56, l. 23, after the word "electricity," to insert the words "hydraulic power."—(Sir Robert Tasker.)
Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 56, l. 24, after the word "undertaking," to insert the words "and any catchment board."—(Mr. Ede.)
Proposal, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 74 amended, and agreed to.
Clause No. 75 agreed to.
Postponed Clause No. 7 disagreed to.
A Clause (Consultation with joint committees under Act of 1937),—(Sir John Anderson),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.
Another Clause (Contributions in respect of works commenced before the passing of this Act),—(Sir John Anderson),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.
Another Clause (Loans by local authorities to owners of dwelling-houses),—(Sir John Anderson),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.
Another Clause (Powers of local authorities to construct underground car-parks suitable for use as air-raid shelters),—(Sir John Anderson),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.
Another Clause (Powers of local authorities to construct underground car-parks suitable for use as air-raid shelters),—(Sir John Anderson),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.
Another Clause (Enlargement of scope of town planning schemes),—(Mr. Elliot),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.
Another Clause (Reports to be sent to county councils),—(Mr. Ede),—brought up, and read the first time.
Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time :—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Clause (Delegation of functions),—(Mr. Ede),—brought up, and read the first time.
Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time :—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, be taken into consideration upon Monday the 5th day of June next; and be printed.
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 Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) (Scotland) 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.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1926) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuff Acts (1926) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Captain Margesson.) And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 110.]

Thursday, 25th May 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Jarrow Corporation Bill. ORDERED, That the Jarrow Corporation Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 6th day of June next.

Sheffield Corporation Bill. The Sheffield Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport Bill [Lords]. The Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport 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.

Southern Railway Bill. A Motion being made, That the Southern Railway Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Tiverton 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 said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, by His British Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendices to the Report of the British Guiana Refugee Commission to the Advisory Committee on Political Refugees appointed by the President of the United States of America.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Civil Air His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between the Secretary of State for Air and British Airways, Limited, for the operation of regular air services between London and Brussels, London, Berlin and Warsaw, and London, Frankfurt and Budapest.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Gas directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Undertakings Acts. Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, on the application of the Sutton-in-Ashfield Urban District Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by Shops Acts pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Palatine of Lancaster (for the Urban Districts of Haydock and Little Lever).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, by Agricultural His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report Marketing made under the Agricultural Marketing Acts, on Agricultural Marketing Schemes for 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Report of Lord Chancellor of the Lanesey number of Visits made, the number of Patients seen, and the number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunaticks between 1st October 1938 and 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the latest available figures (approximate or estimated) showing the quantities of foodstuffs consumed in Great Britain (approximate or estimated) showing the quantities of foodstuffs consumed in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.)
and Northern Ireland per annum, giving the proportions imported and home-produced, as follows:—

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(Sir Joseph Lamb.)

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from the Committee on Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from the Panel appointed to serve on the Committee on Unopposed Bills:—Mr. Cawder; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Pickthorn.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Charles MacAndrew further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Colonel Ponsonby and Mr. Forrit; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Hutchinson and Sir Harold Webe.

Standing Committee B.

Sir Charles MacAndrew further reported to the Committee: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Water Supply Bill):—Mr. Berney, Mr. Butcher, Sir William Davison, Mr. Ede, Mr. Edwards, Sir Francis Frenscle, Mr. Garro Jones, Colonel Henesy, Mr. Hills, Major Neven-Spence, Major Procter, Mr. Wilfrid Roberts, Sir Archibald Southby, Mr. Herbert Williams, and Mr. Wise.

Sir Charles MacAndrew further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D:—Major Rayner; and had appointed in substitution: Major Kellett.

Scottish Standing Committee.

Sir Charles MacAndrew further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (added in respect of the Solicitors Amendment (Scotland) Bill [Lords]):—Sir Thomas Cook; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Medlicott.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Water) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Kent Water) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Stalybridge Hyde Mossley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board 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.

Mr. Boulton further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the London Passenger Transport Board Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title as followeth: "A Bill to empower the London Passenger Transport Board to provide certain services of trolley vehicles; to construct new works; to acquire lands; and to raise additional moneys; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands and the completion of certain works; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes." 

Mr. Boulton further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.
Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Mr. Boulton further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Robert Morrison reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on the London Government Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords: That they had considered the Bill; and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

No. 127. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Robert Wilmot, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Lambeth (Kennington Division), and was sworn.

Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill, without any Amendment.

Military Training Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Military Training Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords].

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the King Edward the Seventh Welsh National Memorial Association Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport Bill [Lords].

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Smethwick Oldbury Rowley Regis and Tipton Transport Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Military Training Bill. Bill 152.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Military Training Bill be printed.

New Member sworn.

John Wilmot, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Lambeth (Kennington Division), was sworn.

Mr. Burgin, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Stanley, and Mr. William Morrison, presented a Bill to establish a Ministry of Supply and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; 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)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);
17. Methodist Church Act, 1939.

Finance Bill. And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question; And the Question being put; The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the fCaptain Waterhouse, Yeas, fColonel Kerr : } 228. Tellers for the f Mr. Adamson, Noes, f Mr. Anderson : } 110. So it was resolved in the Affirmative. The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday the 5th day of June next. Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Military Training Bill be taken into consideration forthwith.—(Mr. William Morrison.) The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Military Training Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 6th day of June next. Vol. 194.

Criminal Justice Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Industry Bill; Industry Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Unemployment Insurance Bill, as amended in the Standing Bill Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the first Three of the [17th May] Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of this instant May, and which Resolutions were then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Wheat into consideration the Wheat (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) (re-committed) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 5th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Local Government Amending Act (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 5th day of June next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of June next.

And, it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Colonel Ponsonby Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Water Supply Bill.

E. A. FitZROY,
Speaker.
25th May 1939.

Friday, 26th May 1939.

PRAYERS.

THE Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hailsham Water) Bill, was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

25th May 1939.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burgin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Note as to powers proposed to be transferred initially to the Ministry of Supply under the Ministry of Supply Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd May 1939, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Special Voluntary Contributors) Regulations, 1939.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson);


Mr. Speaker,
The Lords authorized by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to an Act which is 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 Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act as followeth:

Military Training Act, 1939.

Adjournment. And the Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday the 5th day of June next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

[No. 112.]

Monday, 5th June 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Absence.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from this day's Sitting.

Prayers.

Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Death of a Member.

Mr. Deputy Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of the Right Honourable Sir Philip Albert Gustave David Sassoon, Baronet, G.B.E., C.M.G., late Member for the Borough of Hythe, and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

Stalybridge Hyde Mosley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Stalybridge Hyde Mosley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Tynemouth Corporation Bill (Lords.), as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Bognor Gas and Electricity Bill (Lords.) was read a second time, and committed.

The Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill (Lords.) was read a second time, and committed.

The Medway Conservancy Bill (Lords.) was read a second time, and committed.

The Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill (Lords.) was read a second time, and committed.

The Metropolitan Water Board Bill (Lords.) was read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Kent Water) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Water) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The following Papers, presented by His Parlimentary Command during the Whitsuntide Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian (Adjournment Papers):

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 3rd May 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 5) Order, 1939.

Copy of Ninety-first Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England for the year preceding 1st November 1938, with an Appendix.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Import Duties Act, 1932 (Order No. 5, 1932) relating to the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 5) Order, 1939.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 31st May Exchequer 1939, regarding the audit of certain accounts and Audit Departments Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Gas directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Undertakings Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Newton Abbot and District Gas and Coke Company, Limited.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Insects and Plants (Scotland) Order of 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Animals Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Captain Austin Hudson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations relating to Richmond Park.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Scunthorpe Planning Scheme.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Grenfell and Mr. Thomas Henderson; and had appointed in substitution: Major Milner and Mr. Wilmot.

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 Estimates, 1939.

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £14,514,000 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 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Labour, including sums payable by the Exchequer to the Unemployment Fund, grants to local authorities, associations and other bodies in respect of unemployment insurance, employment exchange and other services; expenses of transfer and resettlement; expenses of training of unemployed persons and, on behalf of the Army Council and Air Council, of soldiers and airmen for employment; contribution towards the expenses of the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations); expenses of the Industrial Court; expenses in connection with national service; and sundry services.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £14,513,900 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Westwood.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yeas," Mr. Mathers, Mr. Adamson: 129.

Tellers for the "Nees," Captain Waterhouse, Captain McEwen: 207.

Original Question again proposed.

And it being after Eleven of the clock and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 taking Civil Defence into consideration the Civil Defence Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill, Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Justice Bill into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Industry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Industry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Insurance Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Private Bills Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions (Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.):

- Milford Haven and Tenby Water Bill [Lords].
- Saint Peter’s Chapel Stockport Bill [Lords].
- Stroud District Water Board &c. Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Provisional Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions [No Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.):

- Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage District) Bill.
- North West Midlands Joint Electricity Authority Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Jarrow Third Reading of the Jarrow Corporation Bill, Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow, at half an hour after Seven of the clock.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty’s Norway Command,—Copy of Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Norwegian Government for the Exemption through an Agency [with Notes exchanged]. London, 21st December 1938. [The Agreement has not been ratified by the Government of the United Kingdom.]

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney-General presented, by His Majesty’s Commission,—Copy of Eighth Report of the Law Revision Committee (Contributory Negligence).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir George Courthope presented, pursuant to Forestry, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Nineteenth Annual Report of the Forestry Commissioners for the year ended 30th September 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Gas Acts, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Nineteenth Annual Report of the Forestry

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics in regard to Alien Passengers who entered and left the United Kingdom in 1938.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the aforementioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County borough of Dewsbury.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Copy of Order in Council, dated 25th May 1939, approving an Admiralty Memorial under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1935.

Foreign Jurisdiction Acts.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 25th May 1939, entitled the Palestine (Amendment) Order in Council, 1939.

Merchant Shipping Acts.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 25th May 1939:

1. entitled the Cyprus Maritime Revocation Order, 1939; and
2. declaring that the Government of Uruguay has acceded to the Load Line Convention.

Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Selection (Standing Committee.) Standing Committee B.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Water Supply Bill)—Sir William Davison; and had appointed in substitution: Commander Tufnell.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the modification of the law relating to the administration of justice in the event of the outbreak or probability of war and for purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords.]

The West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, supported by Mr. Secretary Colville, Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, Captain Crookshank, Mr. Ramsbotham, and Mr. Scrymgeour Weldonburn, presented a Bill to provide for securing farmers against low prices for oats, barley and fat sheep, and for securing a market for barley, for promoting the ploughing up in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine of grass land and rendering it fit for arable crops, for the establishment of a reserve of agricultural machinery, for increasing the resources of any company formed for such purposes as are mentioned in the Agricultural Credits Act, 1924, to amend the Agricultural Returns Act, 1925, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on 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 [ ] Captain Dugdale,
Yea, [ ] Mr. Munro:
No, [ ] Mr. Adams:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Unemployment Insurance Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Abolition of waiting period).—(Mr. Grenfell.)

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. Whiteley,
Yea, [ ] Mr. Mathers:
No, [ ] Colonel Harvie Watt:
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Laying of regulations).—(Mr. Foot.)

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 [ ] Sir Percy Harris,
Yea, [ ] Sir Hugh Seely:
No, [ ] Colonel Harvie Watt:
So it passed in the Negative.
Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of section 44 of 25 Geo. 5, c. 8).—(Mr. Foot.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Exemption from attendance at employment exchange).—(Mr. Foot.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 39, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "nor shall it include the provision of accommodation, including board, of children boarded out by a local authority."—(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

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. Whiteley, 128. Mr. Mathers,]

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, 201. Mr. James Stuart,]

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Wheat (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 17, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of the foregoing subsection the committee shall, before making a report to the Minister, make inquiries into—

(a) the desirability or otherwise of maintaining or increasing the acreage under wheat, in preference to other forms of agriculture;
(b) the cost of production of wheat on farms of varying size; and
(c) the desirability or otherwise of establishing a board (if none exists) to regulate the marketing of wheat;

and the results of their inquiries into these and any other matters shall be embodied in their report."—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers, 100. Mr. Adamson,]

Tellers for the [Sir James Edmondson, 175. Colonel Herbert,]

So it passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 36, by leaving out the words "flaked or rolled wheat mixture."—(Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

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 Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill, presented at any time not later than five clear days after the Second Reading of the Bill, be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That Petitions against the Bill may be deposited in the Committee and Private Bill Office, provided that such Petitions shall have been prepared and signed in conformity with the Rules and Orders of this House relating to Petitions against Private Bills.

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.—(Captain Balfour.)

Mr. Secretary Colville, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the acquisition by the Secretary of State for Air...
of certain land in Middlesex, and for the stopping up of certain highways in Middlesex and Surrey, and to confirm an agreement between the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London and the Secretary of State for Air relating to the extension of the site of Kenley Aerodrome, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses of the Secretary of State for Air under the said Act and the said agreement. —(Captain Balfour.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Bill;—

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament. —(Colonel Muirhead) —And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned. —(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ministry of Second Reading of the Ministry of Supply Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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 two minutes before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Wednesday, 7th June 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House Mr. Speaker's of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from this day's Sitting.

Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman Prayers, of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Ministry (Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage District) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The North West Midlands Joint Electricity Authority Provisional Order 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 Tenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Racecourse Betting Control Board, for No. 129. 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant Local to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—

Copies of Regulations,—

(1) dated 11th May 1939, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Teachers) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939;

(2) dated 15th May 1939, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Transfer Value) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Administration of Justice (Emergency Adminis- Provisions) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, Mesage from 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 to which

Undertakings Bill [Lords.]
they desire the concurrence of this House, viz.: That it is desirable that the Water Undertakings Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class II.

Vote 7. Colonial Office.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £122,923 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

And it being half-past Seven of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 6, further Proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Jarrow Corporation 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. Levy.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Postponed Proceeding on Question, That a sum not exceeding £122,923 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, resumed.

Question again proposed.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £122,923 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Paling.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Mr. Mathers, Yeas: 117.
Mr. Adamson: 97.

Tellers for the
Captain Waterhouse, Noes: 188.
Colonel Kerr:

Original Question again proposed.

And it being after Eleven of the clock and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Agricultural Development Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) [Money];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 115.]

Thursday, 8th June 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

THE Clerk at the Table informed the House Mr. Speaker's of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker Absence, from this day's Sitting.

Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman Prayers, of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Provisional Order Bills Standing Orders applicable thereto have been complied with, viz:—

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Falmouth) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hemel Hempstead Water) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Oxford) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.
Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Heywood and Middleton Water Board) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Slough) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following 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 Order Confirmation (Matlock) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Stalybridge Hyde Mossley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board 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 Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords.] be now read the third time;

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, 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.

Mr. Butcher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Index to Treaty Series 1936–38 [In Continuation of "Treaty Series (No. 12, 1936)," Cmd. 5193].

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Production of His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report upon the Production of Civil Aeroplanes of a Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for Air.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution which was read, as followeth:—That, in the case of the Falmouth Docks Order [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newhaven and Seaford Water) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (York Water) Bill, and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newhaven and Seaford Water) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the alleged provisions contained in the Preamble of the Merthyr Tydfill Corporation Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bognor Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Ponsonby reported from Standing Committee B, Water Supply Bill. Bill 156.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June; and be printed.

No. 130.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Charities (Fuel Allotments) Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next. (Captain Margesson.)

Mr. William Morrison, by His Majesty's Ministry of Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Ministry of Supply [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to establish a Ministry of Supply, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) the salaries of the Minister of Supply and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry, and the salaries and allowances of other secretaries and officers and servants appointed by the Minister of Supply;
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Resolved, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Civil Defence
[Money]
(No. 2).

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Civil Defence [Money] (No. 2), proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision for civil defence, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants to the Government of Northern Ireland towards the expenses incurred by that Government for the purpose of civil defence, so however that not more than seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds in all shall be paid during the four financial years ending with the thirty-first day of March nineteen hundred and forty-three, and not more than fifty thousand pounds shall be paid in any subsequent financial year,—(Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare.)

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.

Air Ministry
(Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension)
[Money]
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant June, that an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Development Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, and the Public Works Facilities Act, 1930, in respect of the parishes of Arrochar, Kilmaronock and Luss, and part of the parish of Rosneath, in the county of Dunbarton, which was presented on the 10th day of May 1939, be approved.—(Captain Austin Hudson.)

Mr. Hely-Hutchinson, Mr. Mander, Mr. Montague, and Rear-Admiral Sir Murray Stuer were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

And it being half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[No. 116.]

Friday, 9th June 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Absence.

Prayers.

Whereupon Sir Dennis Herbert, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

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Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 9th June 1939, relative to a contribution to the King George the Fifth Memorial Fund.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Cwille presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd May 1939, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Reckoning of Service on Transfer) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Corsham Water) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they 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.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class VI.

Vote 1. Board of Trade.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £238,324 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March nineteen hundred and forty-three, and not more than fifty thousand pounds shall be paid in any subsequent financial year.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then one minute after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 117.]

Monday, 12th June 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communi- cation to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of the Right Honourable Sir Francis Dyke Acland, Baronet, late Member for the County of Cornwall (North Division), and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

The Bognor Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into considera- tion the Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Milford Haven and Tenby Water Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The Saint Peter's Chapel Stockport Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Stroud District Water Board &c. Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newhaven and Seaford Water) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to Military Training Act, 1939, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th June 1939, entitled the Military Training (Prevention of Evasion) Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Regulations, dated 9th June 1939, entitled the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939.

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 Summary of Accounts of Loan Societies in England and Wales for 1938, furnished to the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Major Tryon, Mr. Attorney-General, and Captain Balfour, presented a Bill to provide for the establishment of a corporation to be known as the British Overseas Airways Corporation; to facilitate the acquisition by that corporation of certain air transport undertakings; to make further and better provision for the operation of air transport services, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: and the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on 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 Yeas, Mr. Munro, Mr. Furness: 234.

Tellers for the Nos, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Adamson: 101.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That it is expedient that a tribunal Tribunals be established for inquiring into a definite matter of urgent public importance, that is to say, to investigate and report upon all the circumstances surrounding the loss of H.M.S. "Thetis," and the subsequent attempts to save the lives of those in the ship.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking Civil Defence into consideration the Civil Defence Bill, as Bill amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House—

(a) in respect of Clauses 7 and 8; and

(b) in respect of the amendment in Clause 6, the amendments in Clause 11, the second amendment in Clause 12, p. 11, l. 6, the amendments in Clause 21, p. 22, l. 36, Clause 21, p. 23, l. 5, Clause 21, p. 23, l. 36, Clause 54, p. 51, l. 19, Clause 59, p. 54, l. 36, and the new Clause (Power of local authorities to construct air-raid shelters in streets), standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Sir John Anderson; and
(c) in respect of the amendment in Clause 83 and the new Clause (Provisions as to Northern Ireland), standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare.

—(Sir John Anderson.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Powers of local authorities to construct underground shelters and other premises required for civil defence purposes).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 8, to leave out the words "twenty-eight," and insert the word "fourteen."—(Dr. Haden Guest.)

Question put, That the words "twenty-eight" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Kerr, Yeas, Mr. Grimston : 210.
Norris, Mr. Mathers : 106.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that, where in the opinion of the local authority it is not practicable to give such notice in writing, the local authority may post a notice on the land."—(Mr. Ede.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, By leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words "and, as respects any other land, shall be exercisable subject to the following conditions:

(a) that the local authority shall not interfere with any mains, pipes, apparatus, or works belonging to such undertakers unless they have given to those undertakers not less than fourteen days' notice of their intention so to do nor in any case in which those undertakers intimate in writing to the local authority within fourteen days after the receipt of such notice their intention themselves to carry out and thereafter proceed at reasonable dispatch to carry out any reasonably necessary removal, diversion, or alteration of their mains, pipes, apparatus, or works;

(b) that the local authority shall repay to the undertakers the amount of any expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with any such removal, diversion, or alteration; and

(c) that if the local authority cause any damage to any such mains, pipes, apparatus, or works, they shall repay to the undertakers the amount of the expenses reasonably incurred by them in making good the damage."

—(Mr. Ross Taylor.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Mr. Herbert Morrison 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.

Proposed words amended in l. 13, by leaving out the words "and thereafter proceed at reasonable dispatch to carry out," and in l. 17, at the end, by inserting the words "and proceed forthwith to complete such works with reasonable dispatch."—(Sir Stafford Cripps.)— and, as amended, there inserted.

Another Amendment proposed, after the words last inserted, to insert the words,—

"(7) Approval of an air-raid precautions scheme submitted by a local authority under the provisions of the Act of 1937, shall not be withheld on the ground that it provides for any deep or heavily protected shelter."—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Whitley, Yeas, Mr. Mathers : 122.
Noes, Mr. Adamson, Sir James Edmondson : 206.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 8 agreed to.

Clauses No. 11, No. 12, No. 21, No. 54, No. 59 and No. 83 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Provisions as to Northern Ireland),—(Mr. Peake),—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:—The Committee proceeded to a Division.

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Tellers for the (Colonel Kerr, Yeas, Colonel Harvie Watt : 155.
Nos, Mr. Mathers : 76.

Clause added.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Marnghesson.)

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.

Mr. William Morrison reported from the Ministry Committee on Ministry of Supply [Money], a Supply Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to establish a Ministry of Supply, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) the salaries of the Minister of Supply and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry, and the salaries and allowances of other secretaries and officers and servants appointed by the Minister of Supply;
The Order of the day being read, for the
India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Poultry Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the first Three of the
Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Agricultural Development Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for British Overseas Airways Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

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 nine minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 118.]

Tuesday, 13th June 1939.

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] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Orders not being referred on the First Reading thereof, the Orders not being referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, the Standing Orders not previous
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London Passenger Transport Board Bill.

A Motion being made, That the London Passenger Transport Board Bill be now read for the third time;

Mr. Secretary Coleville, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall, is concerned therein; Mr. Secretary Coleville, 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.

Milford Haven and Tenby Water Bill [Lords.]

The Milford Haven and Tenby Water Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Corsham Water) Bill.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Corsham Water) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Treaty Series No. 20, 1939.

Mr. Buller presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty of Commerce and Navigation Between His Majesty and the Sultan of Muscat and Oman. Muscat, 5th February 1939 [Ratifications exchanged at Muscat on 7th February 1939].

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Gas Undertakings Acts.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made, under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Mansfield.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Territorial Army.)

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council and the Air Council for the Establishment and Constitution of an Association for the County of Antrim under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921, and the Auxiliary Air Force and Air Force Reserve Act, 1924.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

Sir Robert Smith reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills: That they had gone through the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto:

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehic)les) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill, with Amendments: of Children (Regulation) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Tynemouth Corporation Bill [Lords.], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the modification of the law relating to the administration of justice in Scotland, in the event of the outbreak or imminent of war and for purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the West Surrey Water Company to construct additional waterworks; to enlarge the capital and borrowing powers of the Company; to make better provision with respect to the laying and maintenance of pipes for the supply of water within the limits of supply of the Company; to confer further powers upon the Company; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have appointed a Committee Solicitors Bill consisting of Three Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider the Solicitors Bill [Lords.] and request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their members to be joined with the said Lords: and they propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room C, on Wednesday the 21st day of this instant June, at Eleven of the clock.

The London Gas Undertakings (Regulations) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The West Surrey Water Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Adoption Lords to the Adoption of Children (Regulation) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

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Selection (Standing Committees.)

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Riding Establishments (Registration and Inspection) Bill):—

Lord Apeley, Mr. Davidson, Sir Ralph Glyn, Captain Kenig, Mr. Hils, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Hulme, Mr. McEntee, Sir Mervyn Manningham-Buller, Mr. Peake, Mr. Wilfrid Roberts, Mr. Solicitor-General, Mr. Tree, Commander Tufnell, and Mr. Charles Williams.

Standing Committee C.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill (Lords):—Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Bellenger, Sir George Broadbridge, Mr. Bromfield, Mr. Trevor Cox, Mr. Cross, Mr. Hollins, Mr. Magnay, Sir Adam Maillard, and Mr. Solicitor-General.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Selection (Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill Select Committee.)

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had nominated the following Three Members to serve on the Select Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill:—Mr. Boys, Sir Henry Page Croft, and Mr. Garro-Jones.

Ordered, That the Report 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 Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 'Captain Duplade,' Yeas, Mr. Munro: 247.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Groves,' Noes, Mr. Mathers: 122.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Civil Defence Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Civil Defence (re-committed) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Another Clause (Power of local authorities to construct air-raid shelters in streets),—(Sir John Anderson)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, as amended, in l. 31, at the end, to add the words:—

"(6) The powers of this section shall not be so exercised as to obstruct or render less convenient the access to, or exit from any premises belonging to any public utility undertaking and used for the purposes of their undertaking."—(Colonel Sandeman Allen.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment to the proposed Clause, as amended, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had made Amendments and added two Clauses to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, in the Committee and on re-committal, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (Execution of works by owner of dwelling-house),—(Sir John Anderson)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Provision of air-raid shelter in certain buildings),—(Sir John Anderson.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time.

The proposed Clause was amended in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "applies," the words "shall if so required by more than one-half in number of the occupiers of the separate parts of the building or block and in any other case."—(Mr. Ede.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, so amended, in l. 7, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "not being a building or block constructed by a local authority under the enactments relating to housing, or a building or block of buildings in connection with the construction of which assistance was given by a local authority under those Acts."—(Mr. Duncan.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause, so amended:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The proposed Clause, so amended, was further amended, in l. 21, by leaving out from the beginning to the word "on," in l. 23, and inserting the words "Unless the occupiers of more than one-half in number of the separate parts of the building or block (other than parts thereof which are in the occupation of the owner of the building or block) dissent from the scheme, then the owner shall complete the same and,"—(Mr. Herbert Morrison),—instead thereof.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, so amended, in l. 44, by leaving out the words "one-tenth,"—and inserting the words "one-seventh,"—(Mr. Robert Morgan),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words 'one-tenth' stand part of the proposed Clause, so amended:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, so amended, in l. 53, by leaving out subsection (9).—(Mr. Ede.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause, so amended:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 'Sir James Edmondson,' Yeas, Colonel Harvie Watt: 228.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Groves,' Noes, Mr. Mathers: 125.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the proposed Clause, so 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. 10, l. 40, by leaving out from the word "code," to the end of l. 41, and inserting the words "prescribing requirements with which the shelter must comply, and giving advice as to incidental matters and as to methods to be followed in providing the shelter."—(Sir John Anderson),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment in l. 3, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "and such code shall not exclude the provision of a deep or heavily protected shelter."—(Dr. Haden Guest.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the said 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 another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 22, by inserting, after the word "living," the words "or, during an air-raid, transacting business."—(Mr. 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 Yeas, Mr. Mathers: 119.

Mr. Adamson: 119.

Mr. Ernest Evans: 96.

Mr. Grimston: 160.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That further Consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee and on re-committal, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question, proposed upon the 6th day of this instant June, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament.

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;


Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) (re-committed) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to. Preamble agreed to. Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The 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.

British Overseas Airways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Overseas Airways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Supply (17th May) Report.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Agricultural Development Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Development Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Water Undertakings Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Lords' Message of the 7th day of this instant June, communicating...
Military Training Act, 1939, and Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939.


Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the boundaries of the borough of Bootle; to confer further powers on the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the said borough with regard to the health improvement, good government and finance of the borough; to provide for the constitution of the Rimrose Brook Joint Sewerage Board; to authorise the purchase of the Church of Saint John in the borough by the Corporation and the application of the purchase money to the erection of a new church in substitution therefor; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Bootle 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 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 [Mr. Graham White, Yeas, Mr. Foot: 136.
Tellers for the [Colonel Harvie Watt, Noes, Captain McEwen: 207.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved supply itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

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£180,707 to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge for air raid precautionary services.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) 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 Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration to-morrow.
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Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 13th day of this instant June as relates to the appointment of a Committee on the Solicitors Bill [Lords] be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Three Members be appointed to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords, to consider the Solicitors Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Two be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

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,—Major Milner, Sir George Mitcheson, and Sir Herbert Williams.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson);

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson);

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.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Gas directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Acts.

Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts on the application of the Whitelaw United Gas Company Limited, to amend a previous Order—

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copies of Schemes made under the Workmen’s Compensation Acts, dated 12th June 1939, entitled:—

(1) the Metal Grinding Industries (Silicosis) Amendment Scheme, 1939; (2) the Sandstone Industry (Silicosis) Amendment Scheme, 1939; (3) the Various Industries (Silicosis) Amendment Scheme, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order made upon the 14th day of this Military instant June, That the Paper relative to the Military Training Act, 1939, and Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939, do lie upon the Table was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Mr. William Morrison presented, pursuant Military to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—(Training Act, 1939, and Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the number of offences relating to motor vehicles in England and Wales, the number of persons prosecuted for such offences, the results of the proceedings in Courts of Summary Jurisdiction, and the number of alleged offences in respect of which written warnings were issued by the police, during the year ended the 31st day of December 1938 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 130, of Session 1937–38).—(Mr. Peake.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this Persons in House, a Return showing the number of persons in receipt of Poor Relief in England and Wales on the night of the 1st day of January 1939 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 102 of Session 1937–38).—(Mr. Elliot.)

Sir Hugh O’Neill reported from Standing Committee C: That they had gone through the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.
Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Heywood and Middleton Water Board) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

 Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Margate) Bill [Lords]; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Congleton) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Matlock) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Droitwich) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Oxford) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (North West Midland Joint Electricity Authority) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Droitwich Canals (Abandonment)) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Abandonment) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Abandonment) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee Ministry Provisional Order Confirmation (Abandonment) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
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[Lords], and verbally amended the same, and found the same as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereof.

Mr. Boulton further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Boulton reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Saint Peter's Chapel Stockport Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Mr. Boulton further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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 Sea Fisheries Provisional Order (Tollesbury and West Mersea) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of certain marriages; 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 London County Council and other authorities; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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.

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 Colonel Kerr, Mr. Munro : 229.
Tellers for the Mr. Groves, Mr. Mathers :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, by His Majesty's Agricultural Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Agricultural Development [Money.], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question put, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision, amongst other matters, for securing farmers against low prices for oats, barley and fat sheep, and for securing a market for barley, for promoting the ploughing up of grassland and rendering it fit for arable crops, for the establishment of a reserve of agricultural machinery, and for increasing the resources of any company formed for such purposes as are mentioned in the Agricultural Credits Act, 1938, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of:—

1. A subsidy in respect of land which is under oats, or under a mixed crop comprising oats or barley, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine or in any subsequent year, subject to the following conditions,—

(a) there shall be a higher rate and a lower rate of subsidy, and the higher
rate shall not apply to land in a farm which during the first eight months of the year comprised any land under wheat unless the farm is excluded from the benefit of deficiency payments under the Wheat Act, 1932,

(b) the higher rate for any year shall be a rate per acre equal to fourteen times the difference between the average price per hundredweight for that year for home-grown oats and eight shillings (or such other amount as may be substituted for that amount by an order duly approved) or the rate of two pounds six shillings and eightpence per acre, whichever is the less, and the lower rate for any year shall be a rate ascertained in like manner, but with the substitution of six times for fourteen times the said difference and of one pound for two pounds six shillings and eightpence; and

(c) the total amount which may be paid by way of subsidy for any year shall not exceed the amount which might have been so paid if the acreage of land qualifying for subsidy for that year had not exceeded two million five hundred thousand acres.

2. Any increase in the sums payable out of moneys provided by Parliament under Part II of the Agriculture Act, 1937, attributable to any provisions of the said Act of the present Session fixing at thirty-one shillings and sixpence per acre the rate of a subsidy for the year nineteen hundred and thirty-eight the payment of which is authorised by the said Part II, or extending the time for making elections or applications under the said Part II, or authorising the payment under the said Part II of a subsidy for that year at the rate of thirteen shillings and sixpence per acre in respect of land excluded from subsidy under the said Part II by section seven of the Agriculture Act, 1937.

3. In respect of the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, or of any subsequent year, being a year in the case of which provision is made under the Wheat Act, 1932, attributable to any provisions of the said Act of the present Session with the approval of the Treasury.

4. A subsidy, in respect of land which is under barley in the month of June immediately preceding the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and forty, or any subsequent year, being a year in the case of which provision is made under the Wheat Act, 1932, attributable to any provisions of the said Act of the present Session with the approval of the Treasury.

(a) the rate of subsidy for any year shall not exceed two pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence per acre;

(b) the total amount which may be paid by way of subsidy for any year shall not exceed the amount which might have been so paid if nine-tenths of the total amount of such payments for any year shall not exceed the amount which might have been the amount thereof if nine-tenths of the amount of home-grown barley harvested in that year had not exceeded eighteen million hundredweights:

Provided that, in the case of the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the said conditions shall not apply, but the amount of the said payments shall be such as may be determined under the said Act with the approval of the Treasury.

4. A subsidy, in respect of land which is under barley in the month of June immediately preceding the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and forty or any subsequent year, being a year in the case of which provision is made under the said Act of the present Session for minimum prices for home-grown barley, and in the case of which the average price per hundredweight for home-grown barley used or to be used for feeding livestock is less than eight shillings per hundredweight (or such other amount as may be substituted for that amount by an order duly approved), subject to the following conditions,—

(a) the rate of subsidy for any year shall not exceed two pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence per acre;

(b) the total amount which may be paid by way of subsidy for any year shall not exceed the amount which might have been so paid if nine-tenths of the total amount of such payments for any year shall not exceed the amount which might have been the amount thereof if nine-tenths of the amount of home-grown barley harvested in that year had not exceeded eighteen million hundredweights;

(c) the area of any land in respect of which subsidy may be paid shall be subject to reduction as may be provided by or under the said Act where it includes land on which there was growing in the said month barley in respect of which the provision aforesaid as to minimum prices has effect by virtue of the said Act.

5. Any expenses incurred by any Barley Advisory Committee constituted under the said Act of the present Session.

6. A subsidy in respect of fat sheep sold or slaughtered in the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and thirty-nine or in any subsequent year, subject to the following conditions,—

(a) the amount of subsidy in respect of any sheep shall be an amount, for each pound of the standard weight (as determined under the said Act of the present Session with the approval of the Treasury) of sheep of the description to which that sheep belongs, equal to the amount (if any) by which the average price of sheep per pound for the month in which the sheep is examined under provisions in that behalf of the said Act is less than the standard price for that month;

(b) the standard prices for the several months in any year shall be determined, as may be provided by the
said Act, in such manner as to render the average thereof equal to the standard price for that year; and
(c) the standard price for any year shall be tenpence per pound, but shall be related to a United Kingdom sheep population of twenty-seven millions, and shall be subject to reduction by one-eighth of a penny for each complete quarter of a million by which such population exceeds twenty-seven millions and by a further one-eighth of a penny for each complete quarter of a million by which it exceeds twenty-eight millions, and the said figure of twenty-seven millions shall be subject to reduction, to such extent as may be provided by the said Act, for the purpose of ascertaining the standard price for years following on biennial periods in which the standard price has been in excess of the average price:
Provided that the terms of this condition shall be subject to variation by an order duly approved.

7. Such of the expenses of the examination of sheep for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session as may be thereby directed to be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, any expenses incurred by the Livestock Commission in connection with the execution of the said Act, and any increase attributable to the execution of the said Act in the sums payable out of moneys provided by Parliament by virtue of subsection (3) of section one of the Livestock Industry Act, 1937.

8. Grants in respect of the ploughing up, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, of land then under grass and the bringing of the land into a state of cleanliness and fertility, subject to the condition that the rate of such a grant shall not exceed one pound for a half acre.

9. Any expenses incurred by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries in connection with the acquisition and storage of stocks of agricultural tractors and other agricultural machinery or in doing anything appearing to him necessary for the storage, preservation, and transport of such stocks.

10. Payments, in the year beginning on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and in each or any of the nineteen next succeeding years, to the Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, being payments by way of grant or by way of loan not exceeding in any year sixty thousand pounds.

11. Any expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session by a Secretary of State, the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, or the Department of Agriculture for Scotland.

B. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of—

1. Any sums retained out of the proceeds of any sale of sheep forfeited under any provision in that behalf made by or under the said Act.

2. Any sums representing the proceeds of any disposal of stocks of agricultural tractors or other agricultural machinery acquired under the said Act.

In this Resolution the expression "order duly approved" means an order made with the approval of the Treasury and approved by a resolution passed by each House of Parliament, and references to an average price, to an acreage of land qualifying for subsidy, to an amount of barley harvested, and to the United Kingdom sheep population, shall be construed as references to that price, acreage or amount, or to that population, as the case may be, as ascertained in accordance with any provisions in that behalf of the said Act of the present Session.—(Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr: Mr. Grimston:]
Yeas, 297
Tellers for the [Mr. John: Mr. Adamson:]
Noes, 199

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the [14th June] Report.
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ministry Committee on the Ministry of Supply Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance 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 taking Criminal Justice 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 the Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Deer and Ground Game (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 Poultry Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords], 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 the Second Reading of the British Overseas Airways 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) 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 Post Office and Telegraph (Money) 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 Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

And, it being after half past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-four minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Mr. Gordon Macdonald Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Riding Establishments (Registration and Inspection) Bill.

E. A. FrizRoy, Speaker.

15th June 1939.

[No. 121.]

Friday, 16th June 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Oxford) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Congleton) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Margate) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Matlock) 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 North West Midlands Joint Electricity Authority Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Swaffham Water) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Heywood and Middleton Water) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

London Traffic Act, 1924.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Regulations, dated (1) 7th June 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 31) (Orpington) Regulations, 1939; (2) 12th June 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 32) (Mickle Street, Southwark) Regulations, 1939; (3) 12th June 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 33) (Ashford) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated——

(1) 7th June 1939, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Actuarial Valuation) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Vote 3. Post Office.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £50,634,000 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 the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £50,633,900 be granted for the said Service. (Mr. Lees-Smith.) The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then nine minutes 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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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4) I hereby nominate Colonel Ponsonby Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Agricultural Development Bill.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

16th June 1939.
[No. 122.]

Monday, 19th June 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Elliot presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Persons in receipt of Poor Relief in England and Wales.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by Control of His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum by the Secretary of State for Air on the Report of the Committee on Control of Flying.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under Section 2 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, that they are of opinion (1) that the following Order, namely, the Fife County Council Order, so far as paragraph (iii) of Clause 256 is concerned, raises questions of public policy of such novelty and importance, and that the provisions of the following Order, namely, the Lipton Trust Order, relate to matters outside Scotland to such an extent and raise questions of public policy of such novelty and importance that they 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 Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Local Authorities and Local Government Officers (Joint Councils) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order for taking into consideration, to-morrow, the Water Supply Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant June.

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 Yeas, Mr. Munro : 94.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Mathers : 240.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Furness, Yeas, (Sir James Edmondson : ) 188.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers, Noes, (Mr. Anderson : ) 116.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 14, to leave out from the beginning, to the word "to," in l. 15, and insert the words "There shall be transferred."—(Mr. Ridley.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, (Captain McEwen : ) 206.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Charlton, Noes, (Mr. Mathers : ) 101.]

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Payments by Minister for creation of reserves).

Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr, Yeas, (Mr. Grimston : ) 169.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers, Noes, (Mr. Adamson : ) 88.]

Clauses No. 5 and No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Marjessop.)

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, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith reported from the Committee on Agricultural Development [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision, amongst other matters, for securing farmers against low prices for oats, barley and fat sheep, and for securing a market for barley, for promoting the ploughing up of grassland and rendering it fit for arable crops, for the establishment of a reserve of agricultural machinery, and for increasing the resources of any company formed for such purposes as are mentioned in the Agricultural Credits Act, 1928, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of:

1. A subsidy in respect of land which is under oats, or under a mixed crop comprising oats or barley, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine or in any subsequently year, subject to the following conditions:

(a) there shall be a higher rate and a lower rate of subsidy, and the higher rate shall not apply to land in a farm

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which during the first eight months of the year comprised any land under wheat unless the farm is excluded from the benefit of deficiency payments under the Wheat Act, 1932; (b) the higher rate for any year shall be a rate per acre equal to fourteen times the difference between the average price per hundredweight for that year for home-grown oats and eight shillings (or such other amount as may be substituted for that amount by an order duly approved) or the rate of two pounds six shillings and eightpence per acre, whichever is the less, and the lower rate for any year shall be a rate ascertained in like manner, but with the substitution of six times for fourteen times the said difference and of one pound for two pounds six shillings and eightpence; and

(c) the total amount which may be paid by way of subsidy for any year shall not exceed the amount which might have been so paid if the acreage of land qualifying for subsidy for that year had not exceeded two million five hundred thousand acres.

2. Any increase in the sums payable out of moneys provided by Parliament under Part II of the Agriculture Act, 1937, attributable to any provisions of the said Act of the present Session fixing at thirty-one shillings and sixpence per acre the rate of a subsidy for the year nineteen hundred and thirty-eight the payment of which is authorised by the said Part II, or extending the time for making elections or applications under the said Part II, or authorising the payment under the said Part II of a subsidy for that year at the rate of thirteen shillings and sixpence per acre in respect of land excluded from subsidy under the said Part II by section seven of the Agriculture Act, 1937.

3. In respect of the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, or of any subsequent year, being a year in the case of which provision is made under the said Act of the present Session for the payment of contributions into a fund established for the purpose of the making of subsidy payments in respect of land under barley, payments into the said fund for each hundredweight of any excess of nine-tenths of the amount of home-grown barley harvested in that year over the amount of home-grown barley by reference to which the amount of the contributions to be paid into the said fund is under the said Act to be determined, subject to the following conditions,— (a) the rate of any such payment shall not exceed the difference between the average price for home-grown barley by reference to which the amount of home-grown barley used, or to be used, for feeding livestock and eight shillings per hundredweight (or such other amount as may be substituted for that amount by an order duly approved); and

(b) the total amount of such payments for any year shall not exceed the amount which might have been the amount thereof if nine-tenths of the amount of home-grown barley harvested in that year had not exceeded eighteen million hundredweights:

Provided that, in the case of the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the said conditions shall not apply, but the amount of the said payments shall be such as may be determined under the said Act with the approval of the Treasury.

4. A subsidy, in respect of land which is under barley in the month of June immediately preceding the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and forty or any subsequent year, being a year in the case of which provision is made under the said Act of the present Session for minimum prices for home-grown barley, and in the case of which the average price per hundredweight for home-grown barley used or to be used for feeding livestock is less than eight shillings per hundredweight (or such other amount as may be substituted for that amount by an order duly approved), subject to the following conditions,—

(a) the rate of subsidy for any year shall not exceed two pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence per acre;

(b) the total amount which may be paid by way of subsidy for any year shall not exceed two million five hundred thousand acres.

Provided that, in the case of the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the said conditions shall not apply, but the amount of the said payments shall be such as may be determined under the said Act with the approval of the Treasury.

5. Any expenses incurred by any Barley Advisory Committee constituted under the said Act of the present Session.

6. A subsidy in respect of fat sheep sold or slaughtered in the year beginning on the first day of August nineteen hundred and thirty-nine or in any subsequent year, subject to the following conditions,—

(a) the amount of subsidy in respect of any sheep shall be an amount, for each pound of the standard weight (as determined under the said Act of the present Session with the approval of the Treasury) of sheep of the description to which that sheep belongs, equal to the amount (if any) by which the average price of sheep per pound for the month in which the sheep is examined under provisions in that behalf of the said Act is less than the standard price for that month;

(b) the standard prices for the several months in any year shall be determined, as may be provided by the
said Act, in such manner as to render the average thereof equal to the standard price for that year; and

(e) the standard price for any year shall be tenpence per pound, but shall be related to a United Kingdom sheep population of twenty-seven millions, and shall be subject to reduction by one-eighth of a penny for each complete quarter of a million by which such population exceeds twenty-seven millions and by a further one-eighth of a penny for each complete quarter of a million by which it exceeds twenty-eight millions, and the said figures of twenty-seven millions shall be subject to reduction, to such extent as may be provided by the said Act, for the purpose of ascertaining the standard price for years following on biennial periods in which the standard price has been in excess of the average price:

Provided that the terms of this condition shall be subject to variation by an order duly approved.

7. Such of the expenses of the examination of sheep for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session as may be thereby directed to be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, any expenses incurred by the Livestock Commission in connection with the execution of the said Act, and any increase attributable to the execution of the said Act in the sums payable out of moneys provided by Parliament by virtue of subsection (3) of section one of the Livestock Industry Act, 1937.

8. Grants in respect of the ploughing up, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, of land then under grass and the bringing of the land into a state of cleanliness and fertility, subject to the condition that the rate of such a grant shall not exceed one pound for a half acre.

9. Any expenses incurred by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries in connection with the acquisition and storage of stocks of agricultural tractors and other agricultural machinery or in doing anything appearing to him necessary for the storage, preservation, and transport of such stocks.

10. Payments, in the year beginning on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and in each or any of the nineteen next succeeding years, to the Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, being payments by way of grant or by way of loan not exceeding in any year sixty thousand pounds.

11. Any expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session by a Secretary of State, the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, or the Department of Agriculture for Scotland.

B. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of—

1. Any sums retained out of the proceeds of any sale of sheep forfeited under any provision in that behalf made by or under the said Act.

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And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 20th June, 1939:

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 one minute after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

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[No. 123.]

Tuesday, 20th June 1939.

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.:

Booting Corporation Bill [Lords].
London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords].
London Gas Undertakings (Regulations) Bill [Lords].
West Surrey Water Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between the Secretary of State for Air and Imperial Airways, Limited, for the operation of regular air services on certain routes in Europe.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Act, 1921. Regulations, dated 6th June 1939, entitled the Elementary Education Grant Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Public Health directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (England) Order, dated 10th June 1939, entitled the Wolverhampton (Alteration of local Act) Order 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill have power to report from day to day the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Mr. Cape reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on the Breaking-up of Streets by Statutory Undertakers, That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them and Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords]):- Mr. Christie, Mr. Collindridge, Sir Thomas Cook, Mr. Clement Davies, Mr. De Chair, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, Mr. Edwards, Captain Heigens, Mr. Hollins, Major Mills, Major Owen, Mr. Ramsbotham, Colonel Ropner, Sir Ernest Shepperson, and Mr. Robert Taylor.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Major Despencer-Robertson; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. York.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D:—Mr. Cooke; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Shaw.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee: That they had added the following Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Agricultural Development Bill):- Sir Richard Acland, Colonel Acland-Troyte, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Anstruther-Grey, Mr. Attorney-General, Major Brainiweather, Mr. Charles Brown, Brigadier-General Clifton Brown, Mr. Secretary Colville, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, Mr. Drew, Captain Dugdale, Sir Joseph Lamb, Mr. John Morgan, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Price, Captain Ramsay, Sir Edward Ruggles-Brise, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Snadden, Mr. Henderson Stewart, Mr. Thornton-Ruggles-Brise, Mr. Watson, Mr. Thomas Williams and Sir Walter Womersley.

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 have agreed to the Southern Railway Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make further provision with respect to the transfer of lands to the National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or National Beauty and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the time for compulsory purchase of lands authorised by the Barmouth Urban District Council Act 1929; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Macclesfield to construct further waterworks; to reduce the amount of compensation water which they are required to discharge into the River Bolin; to confirm an agreement for the purchase of the undertakings of the Electricity Company of Macclesfield Limited; to make further provision with regard to streets buildings sewers and drains and the health and good government of the borough; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Seven Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider the Water Undertakings Bill [Lords], and request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

The National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Barmouth 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 Macclesfield Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Cyril Entwistle reported from Standing Committee C: That they had gone through the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereof.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

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Mr. Haslam, supported by Mr. Roland Robinson, Major Braithwaite, Mr. Channon, Mr. Lobban, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Charles Taylor, and Mr. Liddall, presented a Bill to amend the Shops (Sunday Trading Restriction) Act, 1936, in respect of holiday resorts: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on 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 Captain Waterhouse, Tellers for the Mr. Purness :

Yea, Mr. Mathers, 262.

No, Mr. Adamson : 142.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Electricity Bill to limit the charges which may be made by electricity undertakings in respect of the hire of electricity meters, to amend the Electricity Supply Acts, 1882 to 1936; and for purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. De la Bère, Mr. Richards, Mr. Bathhone, Captain Peter Macdonald, Mr. MacLaren, Sir Smadley Crooke, Mr. Wilfrid Roberts, and Mr. Lyons do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. De la Bère accordingly presented a Bill Electricity Supply (Meter Charges) Bill, to limit the charges which may be made by electricity undertakings in respect of the hire of electricity meters, to amend the Electricity Supply Acts, 1882 to 1936; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That this House approves the proposal of His Majesty's Government to devote to the purposes of the National Memorial to His late Majesty King George the Fifth certain property in the City of Westminster now vested in the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, namely, part of the site now occupied by Number 5, Old Palace Yard and the sites formerly occupied by Numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4, Old Palace Yard, and by Numbers 1, 2, 3 and 3a, Poets' Corner, to the intent that the land comprised therein should form an open space surrounding a statue of His late Majesty King George the Fifth.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Ministry of Supply Bill, into itself a Committee on the Ministry of Supply Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 7 (Power to require delivery of supplies and carrying out of works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 22, to leave out the words " or any other person."—(Mr. Alexander.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 14, after the word "given," to insert the words "and the material conditions."—(Mr. Pickthorn.)

Question proposed. That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, to leave out l. 22 and 23, and insert the words "to be selected as hereinafter provided."—(Sir Arnold Gridley.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 
Mr. Munro: Yeas, 278
Sir Irving Albery: Noes, 33

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Power to require storage).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 21, after the word "the," to insert the words "anticipated or."—(Mr. Simmonds.)

Question proposed. That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Power to require production of documents and keeping of records).

Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 4, after the word "required," to insert the words "and who has a current contract with the Minister."—(Sir Arnold Gridley.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Powers of controllers of businesses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 6, to leave out paragraph (c).—(Mr. Hely-Hutchinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 10, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) Where, under the powers conferred upon him by this Act, the Minister authorises a controller to carry on the whole or any part of the business of an undertaker, it shall be incumbent upon the controller, as the agent of the Minister, to maintain the assets of the business or of that part of the business which he has been authorised to carry on, in the same condition of repair as that in which he took them over, and nothing in this Act shall empower the controller to sell or otherwise dispose of any of the land, plant, machinery, or other fixed assets of the business, nor to discharge any employees without the consent of the undertaker."—(Mr. Hely-Hutchinson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 11 to No. 19 agreed to.

A Clause (Power to require report of independent auditor).—(Mr. Stokes),—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to finance, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Board of Education in certifying cinematograph films to be of an educational character for the purpose of the allowance of rebates of customs and excise duties.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Resolution to be reported.

Wednesday, 21st June 1939:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Burgin, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Mining Industry (Amendment) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to remove the limitation imposed by subsection (2) of section five of the Mining Industry Act, 1920, upon the total amount of the salaries and remuneration of the staff and of the expenses of the Department of Mines in any year, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase in the sums payable thereout attributable to the removal of the said limitation.—(Mr. Lloyd.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Captain Margesson.)

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for raising further money for the development of the postal, telegraphic and telephonic systems, and for raising money for the purpose of repaying to the Post Office Fund moneys applied thereout for such development, it is expedient—

(i) to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums, not exceeding in the whole forty million pounds, as may be required for the purposes of such development or of such repayment;

(ii) to authorise the Treasury to borrow, by means of terminable annuities or by the issue of Exchequer Bonds, for the purpose of providing money for sums so authorised to be issued or of repaying to the Consolidated Fund all or any part of the sums so issued;

(iii) to provide for the payment of such terminable annuities, or of the principal of and interest on any such Exchequer Bonds, out of moneys provided by Parliament for the service of the Post Office, or, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.—(Major Tryon.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 taking into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Secrets 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 Deer and Ground Game (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 Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords], 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 British Overseas Airways 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, was presented on the 19th day of May and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

And, it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

PRAYERS.

May it please the House of Commons,

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented a Bill to Dundee Corporation, to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Undertakings proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command.—Copy of Agreement regarding the extension to the Sudetenland of the Anglo-German Transfer Agreement of 1st July 1938 and the supplementary Agreement of 13th August 1938. London, 16th June 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1937.—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th June 1939, entitled the Dyeing and Cleaning (Overtime) Regulations, 1939.

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 agreed to the Amendments Oswestry Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the North Lindsey Water Board; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the borough of Wembley; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the borough of Bacup; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee Water Undertakings Bill [Lords] do meet in the Chairman of Committees' Committee Room on Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Ministry Confirmation (Wembley) 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 Ministry Confirmation (Wembley) 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 (Bacup) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Draft Order entitled the Military Training (Consequential Provisions) Order, 1939, presented to this House on the 14th day of June, be approved.—(Mr. William Morrison);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

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An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "in view of the unprecedented demand made upon those to whom the Military Training Act applies, provision should be made, where hardship would otherwise occur, to enable them and their dependants to meet obligations already entered into, and this House, therefore, cannot approve an Order which merely provides for the possible postponement of their liabilities, leaving them, upon return to civil life, to face a load of debt,"—(Sir Charles Ecclestone), 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, Captain Dugdale, 186; Mr. Matthews, 127.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That the Draft Order entitled the Military Training (Consequential Provisions) Order, 1939, presented to this House on the 14th day of June, be approved.

Resolved, That the Draft Order entitled the Military Training and Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Consequential Provisions) (Insurance) Order, 1939, presented to this House on the 15th day of June, be approved.—(Mr. William Morrison.)

Resolved, That the Draft Order entitled the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Consequential Provisions) Order, 1939, presented to this House on the 14th day of June, be approved.—(Mr. William Morrison.)

Resolved, That the said Order be discharged.

Captains Dugdale reported from the Committee on Finance [Expenses of Board of Education];

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Report be read this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Committee on the Post Office and Telegraph [Money] Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Fifth May Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shops Second Reading of the Shops (Sunday Trading Restriction) Act (1936) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Electricity Supply Bill (Meter Charges) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday 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 a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
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Thursday, 22nd June 1939.

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 pursuant to the Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant June, the Standing Orders, which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, viz.:

British Overseas Airways Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of the Wellington (Salop) Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Hundred and Seventeenth Report of the Commissioners of Crown Lands.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from Standing Committee B: That they had gone through the Mining Subsidiary Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Plymouth) Bill; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Newquay and District Water Bill, that the following Bill should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

Mr. Lewis reported from the Committee Ministry of Health Provisional Order; That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage District) Bill; that they were of the opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, should be first considered, they had determined that the following Bill should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

Sir Robert Crawford reported from Standing Committee B: That they had gone through the Mines (Lithium) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

The House has passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the limits of supply of the Folkestone Waterworks Company; to authorise the Company to construct new works and to acquire lands; to confirm the construction of certain existing works; to
consolidate with amendments the provisions of the Folkestone Water Acts and Order 1848 to 1930 relating to the capital and borrowing powers of the Company; to authorise the Company to raise additional money; to confer further 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 London County Council to execute street works and acquire lands in the City of Westminster; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Folkestone 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 (Improvements) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Captain Arthur Evans and Colonel Mayhew; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Ernest Shepperson and Sir Robert Smith.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

His Majesty's return from Canada, Newfoundland and the United States of America.

Resolved, nemine contradicente. That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty assuring His Majesty, on the occasion of His return from Canada, Newfoundland and the United States of America, of the loyal and affectionate welcome of this House to His Majesty and Her Majesty the Queen.—(The Prime Minister).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(Clause No. 1 (Increased duties and drawbacks on tobacco)).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Mathers:
Yea, {Colonel Herbert :} 257.
Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley:
Noo, {Mr. Mathers :} 127.

Clause No. 2 (Increased duties and drawbacks on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharin).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. James Stuart:
Yea, {Colonel Horace Watt :} 209.
Tellers for the Mr. Groves:
Noo, {Mr. Whiteley :} 130.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

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Clauses No. 4 and No. 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Reduction of entertainments duty on stage plays, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 25, to leave out from the word " shall," to the end of the subsection, and insert the words " cease to be charged in a case where all the performers whose words or actions constitute the entertainment are actually present and performing, and the entertainment consists solely of one or more of the following items, namely, a stage play, a ballet (whether a stage play or not), a performance of music (whether vocal or instrumental), a lecture, a recitation, a music hall or other variety entertainment, a circus or a travelling show."—(Mr. George Hall.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word " for," in l. 25, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Sir James Edmondson:
Yea, {Captain McEwen :} 210.
Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley:
Noo, {Mr. Mathers :} 138.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 25, after the word " if," to insert the words " in the Second Schedule to the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1931, for the words 'three halfpence' there were substituted the words 'one penny,' and as if."—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Charleton:
Yea, {Mr. Adamson :} 138.
Tellers for the Sir James Edmondson:
Noo, {Captain McEwen :} 204.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 28, at the end, to insert the words " and as if subsection (3) of section one of the Finance Act, 1935, were amended so as to include amongst the entertainments in respect of which such reduced rates of Entertainments Duty are chargeable, a bonâ fide zoo or exhibition of animals in respect of which His Majesty's Commissioners of Customs and Excise are satisfied that it is of substantial educational and scientific value.―"—(Mr. Joel.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 7 disagreed to.

Clauses No. 8 and No. 9 agreed to.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
Captain Crookshank reported from the Committee on Post Office and Telegraph [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for raising further money for the development of the postal, telegraphic and telephonic systems, and for raising money for the purpose of repaying to the Post Office Fund moneys applied thereout for such development, it is expedient—

(i) to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums, not exceeding in the whole forty million pounds, as may be required for the purposes of such development or of such repayment;

(ii) to authorise the Treasury to borrow by means of terminable annuities or by the issue of Exchequer Bonds, for the purpose of providing money for sums so authorised to be issued or of repaying to the Consolidated Fund all or any part of the sums so issued;

(iii) to provide for the payment of such terminable annuities, or of the principal and interest on any such Exchequer Bonds, out of moneys provided by Parliament for the service of the Post Office, or, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) 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 Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) 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 Ministry of Supply Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Marriage into consideration the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Scotland], 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 British Overseas Airways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the first three of the [17th May] Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Sir William Brass be added to the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons) (Mr. James Stuart.)

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 20th day of this instant June as relates to the appointment of a Committee on the Water Undertakings Bill [Lords] be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the Lords' Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Seven Members be appointed to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords, to consider the Water Undertakings Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith; and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Committee was nominated of,—Mr. Edwards, Sir Francis Fremantle, Mr. James Griffiths, Mr. Levy, Mr. Medlicott, Major Mills, and Mr. Rathbone.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message on the 21st day of this instant June as relates to the time and place of meeting of the Joint Committee be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee, as proposed by their Lordships.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith; and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

And, it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Major Miller Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords].

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Major Lloyd George Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill.

E. A. FirzRoy,
Speaker.

22nd June 1939.

Friday, 23rd June 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Prayers.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 21st day of this instant June relative to His Majesty's Return from Canada, Newfoundland and the United States of America had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I thank you sincerely for your Address and for your loyal and affectionate greetings on the return of the Queen and Myself from our journey, in the course of which we have in turn visited Canada, the United States of America, and Newfoundland.

We shall always remember the wonderful and inspiring welcome which we received from our subjects in Canada and Newfoundland and the kindness and genuine friendliness of the people of the United States. We have been greatly touched by the warmth of our reception on our return to this Country.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 13th day of this instant June relative to the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment) Order, 1939, had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.

The Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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 Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries (Superannuation) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage District) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Falmouth) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 14th June 1939, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order dated 17th January 1939, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (1928), as amended by subsequent Orders.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of—

(1) the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the county borough of Darlington;

(2) the Ennerdale Rural District Council.

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:—


Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee:—That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House:—And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Order for taking into consideration Water Supply upon Tuesday next the Water Supply Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 4th day of July next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Ministry of Supply Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by leaving out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Dalton.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 27, by leaving out the words “by the Minister.”—(Sir Arnold Gridley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, l. 39, by leaving out the words “by the Minister.”—(Sir Arnold Gridley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 24, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words “ and to submit to the Minister a report thereon, and the authorised person, who may be the person who has previously carried out the regular audit of the books and documents of the person providing, dealing in, storing, or having control of the said articles, may incorporate in his report any information which he considers relevant whether he has acquired it from his study of the books and documents or from any other source.”—(Sir Richard Acland.)

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. 11, l. 38, by leaving out Clause 11.—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 38, by leaving out Clause 11.—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
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 and Telegraph (Money) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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.

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—

(Colonel Harvie-Watt.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 127.]

Monday, 26th June 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Bootle Corporation Bill [Lords.] be read a second time to-morrow.

The London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The London Gas Undertakings (Regulation) Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The West Surrey Water Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage District) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Falmouth) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented a Bill to Stirling confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Burgh Order Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Stirling Burgh:—and the same was read the first time; and ordered, under Section 9 of the Act, to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of July next.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The Order made upon the 5th day of this Parks instant June that the Paper relative to Parks Regulation Regulation Acts do lie upon the Table was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Major Tryon presented, pursuant to the Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Imperial and Foreign Post, Warrant, dated 20th May 1939, entitled the Imperial and Foreign Post Amendment (No. 2) Parcels) Warrant, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented,—Offences Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated relating to Motor Vehicles. the 15th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Offences relating to Motor Vehicles.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant National to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Galleries of Scotland Act, Copy of Order, dated 20th June 1939, entitled the National Galleries of Scotland (Application of Transferred Property) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, by His Army (Sup- Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the furthery Ministry, numbers required to be voted for the Army for Estimates the year ending 31st March 1940.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the Electricity directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Supply Acts. Report respecting the applications to and proceedings of the Minister of Transport, under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, from 1st April 1938 to 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mines Department.  
Mr. Lloyd presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statistical Summary of Output and of Costs of Production, Proceeds, and Profits of the Coal Mining Industry for the quarter ended 31st March 1939.  
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.  

Wheat Act, 1932.  
Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 14th June 1939, entitled the Wheat (Quota Payments) No. 2 Order, 1939.  

Agriculture Act, 1937.  
Copy of Scheme, dated 16th June 1939, made under the Agriculture Act, 1937, varying the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme, 1938.  
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.  

Selection (Air Ministry (Heaton and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill Select Committee.)  
Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from the Select Committee on the Air Ministry (Heaton and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill:—Sir Henry Page Croft; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Anneley Somerville.  
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.  

Selection (Standing Committees.) Standing Committee C.  
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Mr. York; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Storey.  

Standing Committee D.  
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Mr. Crowder and Mr. Storey; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Spens and Mr. York.  

Standing Committee D.  
Colonel Gretton further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D (added in respect of the Agricultural Development Bill):—Mr. Anstruther Gray; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Wedderburn.  

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.  

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Milford Haven and Tenby Water Bill [Lords], and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.  
The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.  

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.  

Ordered, That the Report 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 Yeas: Mr. Munro:  
Mr. Adamson:  
Mr. Groves:  

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.  

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means. (In the Committee.)  

Charge of Armament Profits Duty.  
Resolved, That where, in any accounting period ending after the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the receipts of a business include receipts under armament contracts (as defined by any Act giving effect to this Resolution) of not less than two hundred thousand pounds in a year, or proportionately less for any less period, and the profits of the business for that accounting period (or for so much thereof as is subsequent to the said day) exceed a certain standard, there shall be charged on so much of the excess as arises from such contracts a tax of sixty per cent.—(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 to-morrow.  
The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.  

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill Committee on the Finance Bill;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.  

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.  

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;  

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
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Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Criminal Justice Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Official Secrets Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

British Overseas Airways Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Overseas Airways Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Public Accounts.
Ordered, That Mr. Malan be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and that Sir George Schuster be added to the Committee.—(Mr. James Stuart.)

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 128.]

Tuesday, 27th June 1939.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for Writ of the County of Cornwall (Northern Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Francis Dyke Acland, Baronet, deceased.—(Sir Percy Harris.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, 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. —
Folkstone Water Bill [Lords].
London County Council (Improvements) Bill [Lords].
Macclesfield Corporation Bill [Lords].
National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Bootle Corporation Bill [Lords] was, Bootle Corporation Bill as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Acts.
Copies of Reports as to the Statistics and state of the Finances of the Universities of Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow, and St. Andrews for 1937-38, made to the Secretary of State under the provisions of the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lindsay presented, by His Majesty’s Education Command,—Copy of Report of the Board of Education on Education in Wales for 1938.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords, as amended in the Standing Committee;
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The Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Marriages Validity Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of July next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Shops (Sunday Trading Restriction) Act (1936) Amendment Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make it compulsory for the Governor and Directors of the Bank of England to consult with His Majesty's Government on all financial matters affecting the national interests (Mr. George Strauss); 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. 10.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Strauss, Yeas, Colonel Herbert : 204.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Charleton, Noes, Mr. Adamson : 135.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 12, to leave out the words "paragraphs set out in Parts I and II of," and insert the words "paragraph set out in."—(Mr. Jagger.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir James Edmondson, Yeas, Mr. Cazalet : 211.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Charleton, Noes, Mr. Adamson : 132.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 14, at the end, to add the words,—

"Provided that the duties of excise as specified in Parts I and II of the Third Schedule to the Finance Act, 1934, shall continue to apply in the case of mechanically propelled vehicles owned and/or used by maternity or district nurses for the purposes of their work."—(Mrs. Tate.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 14, at the end, to add the words,—

"Provided that no increase of duty shall be payable by ex-service officers or men who are in receipt of wounds or disability pension for the loss of one or both legs as a result of service in the great war."—(Sir Smalley Crooke.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 14, at the end, to add the words,—

"Provided that the duties of excise as specified in Part II of the Third Schedule to the Finance Act, 1934, shall continue to apply in the case of mechanically propelled vehicles owned and used by commercial travellers for the purpose of their business."—(Mr. Hutchinson.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, Mr. Mathers : 137.]
Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Noes, Mr. Grimston : 216.]

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, Mr. Munro : 211.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Noes, Mr. Mathers : 132.]

Clauses No. 11 and No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Amendments, in relation to inter-connected companies, of enactments referring to apportionments of income).


—(Captain Cazalet.)

Question proposed, That "1936–37" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 14 (Apportionment of income under s. 21 of Finance Act, 1922, to be automatic in the case of certain investment companies).

Amendment proposed in p. 10, l. 32, to leave out from the beginning, to the first word "the," in l. 34.—[Mr. Benson.]

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. 35, to leave out the word "investment."—[Mr. Benson.]

Question put, That the word "investment" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Kerr, Yeas, 184.
Sir James Edmondson;)

Tellers for the (Mr. Mathers, Nos, 4 Mr. Adamson : 84.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 12, after the word "deduction," to insert the words "other than deductions for any national defence contribution payable by the company."—[Mr. Attorney-General.]

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment in l. 2, at the end, to add the words "and for reasonable sums paid by the company for management expenses and directors' fees."—[Mr. Spens.]

Question proposed, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment.

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Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—[Captain Morleyson.]

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.

Mr. Furness reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 26th day of this instant June a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Charge of Armament Profits Duty.

That, where, in any accounting period ending after the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the receipts of a business include receipts under armament contracts (as defined by any Act giving effect to this Resolution) of not less than two hundred thousand pounds in a year, or proportionately less for any less period, and the profits of the business for that accounting period (or for so much thereof as is subsequent to the said day) exceed a certain standard, there shall be charged on so much of the excess as arises from such contracts a tax of sixty per cent.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
THE Coventry 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 Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Newquay and District Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Motion was made, That Standing Orders 240 and 262 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. William Morris, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill accordingly was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts, on the application of—

(1) the urban district council of Rhondda;
(2) the Sileby Gas-Light and Coke Company Limited.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crooksank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Duties of the Customs of the Isle of Man, and Accounts of the Accumulated Fund, and of Passenger Tax and Harbour Dues, for the year ended 31st March 1939, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, Acts, dated 9th June 1939, entitled the Sheffield (Adjudicating Officers) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Scheme for effecting the union of the benefice (being a vicarage) of Liverpool, Saint Stephen, and the benefice (being a vicarage) of Liverpool, Saint Anne, both of which benefices are situate in the county of Lancaster and in the diocese of Liverpool.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return of Licences granted under the Act 39 & 40 Vic. cap. 77, showing the number of experiments performed under the Act during 1938, and the registered places at which such experiments may be performed (in continuance of Parliamentary Paper No. 149 of 1937–38).—(Mr. Peake.)

The London Government Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 6th day of July next; and to be printed.

Rear-Admiral Sir Murray Sueter reported from the Select Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them this day to the House.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Ministry of Health relating to the City of Bradford; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Ministry of Health (Bethesda) Bill [Lords], without any Confirmation.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bethesda) 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 (Bradford) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings in Committee on Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) [Money] (No. 2) 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. Maclean, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Thomas Henderson, Mr. Stephen, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Hardie, and Mr. Davidson do prepare and bring in a Bill to provide for the registration and licensing of debt collectors: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. McGovern accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the registration and licensing of debt collectors: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 13, to leave out "1938-39," and insert "1939-40."—(Captain Cazalet.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 29, at the end, to add the words,—"Provided that if the Special Commissioners are satisfied that there has been no substantial avoidance of surtax they may certify the facts to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, and if these Commissioners do not lodge an objection within three months from the date of such certificate no further action shall be taken under this section."—(Mr. Dodd.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 29, to leave out the words "investment company," and insert the words "company to which the provisions of section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1922, apply."—(Mr. Benson.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 30, to leave out the words "investment company," and insert the words "company to which the provisions of section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1922, apply."—(Mr. Benson.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 34, to leave out the words "or is likely to be, able," and insert the words "in law or equity entitled."—(Mr. Spens.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 31, after the word "that," to insert the words,—"(a) for the purposes of this section if the total income distributed by the company in or during the said year or period is greater than the total income apportioned among the members of the company in accordance with subsection (2) of this section for the said year or period the amount by which the total income distributed exceeds the total income apportioned shall be apportioned to the members of the company for the purposes of surtax in accordance with subsection (2) of this section."—(Mr. Benson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 13, to leave out "1938-39," and insert "1939-40."—(Captain Cazalet.)
Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 16, after the word "income," to insert the words "prior to the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and forty."—(Mr. Benson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 19 (Information as to payments to employees and others).

Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 35, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Alexander.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 20 agreed to.

Clause No. 21 (Estate duty on certain interests arising on death).

Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 20, after the word "provided," to insert the words "with the knowledge and consent of the deceased."—(Mr. Spens.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 22 (Exclusion of certain debts, &c., from deduction in valuing for estate duty).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words,—"Provided also that this section shall not have effect in any case in which the consideration given consisted of or included property derived from the deceased if and to the extent that such property was the subject-matter of a settlement made by the deceased before and in consideration of the marriage of the deceased or of any issue of the deceased."—(Colonel Acland-Troyte.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 23 and No. 24 agreed to.

Clause No. 25 (Payment into Exchequer out of unclaimed dividends account).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Sir James Edmondson, 189.
Captain McEwen : 189.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Ellis Smith, 102.
Mr. Tinker : 102.

Clauses No. 26 to No. 29 agreed to.

A Clause (Reduction of duty on certain mechanically propelled vehicles used for agricultural purposes),—(Captain Wallace),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Charge of armament profits duty),—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Meaning of "armament business" and "armament contract"),—(Mr. Burgess),—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Pellick-Lawrence) :—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Clause accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

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.

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) (No. 2) proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the better organisation of the cotton industry and certain industries related thereto, and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund or moneys provided by Parliament of the sums required for the making of any payment under the Cotton Spinning Industry Act, 1936, by the Board of Trade to the board constituted under that Act (hereinafter referred to as "the Spindles Board"), being a payment the liability for which is attributable to any provision made by the said Act of the present Session for extending the period during which the powers conferred on the Spindles Board by subsection (1) of section two, and subsection (1) of section four, of the said Act of 1936 are exercisable, for reducing the rate at which the levy under the last-mentioned Act is payable for any year, and for deferring payment of any instalment of that levy; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received under the said Act of 1936 by the Board of Trade from the Spindles Board, being the receipt of which is attributable to any provision made by the said Act of the present Session for extending the said period.—(Mr. Stanley.)

Resolution to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 Amendments made by the Lords to the Access to Mountains Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

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-two minutes before One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Captain Orklockhan, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 29th June 1939, made under the Beef and Veal Customs Duties Act, 1937, entitled the Beef and Veal Duties (Reductions) (No. 1) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the General Board of Control for Scotland, for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts on the application of—

(1) the Musselburgh Gas Company;
(2) the Corporation of the City of Glasgow;
(3) the Ashford Urban District Council;
(4) the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Bridgnorth;
(5) the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Huddersfield.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stow presented, by the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Huddersfield, a Resolution; which was read as followeth :—

That, in the case of the British Overseas Airways Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with —That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth :—

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hailsham Water) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, British Overseas Airways Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with —That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, British Overseas Airways Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with —That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Select Committee on the Air Ministry, (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Aerodromes Bill, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them this day to the House.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Gretton reported from the Committee Selection of Standing Committee C. That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords] ;—Sir Ernest Shipper-

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee B. That they had placed the following Ten Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Daisied Burial Grounds Act (1884) Amendment Bill) ;—Mr. Bernays, Mr. Butcher, Sir Samuel Chapman, Mr. Hannah, Sir Patrick Hannon, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Miss Horsbrugh, Sir Graham Kerr, Mr. Leonard and Mr. Thorne.

Colonel Gretton further reported from the Standing Committee C. That they had placed the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill) ;—Mr. Collindridge, Colonel Craddus, Mr. Culverwell, Sir Granville Gibson, Captain Graham, Mr. George Hall, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Magnay, Sir Joseph Nall, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Radford, Sir Hugh Stedy, Mr. Sloan, and Colonel Windsor-Clive.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hailsham Water) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords to the Access to Mountains Bill ;—That the Bill was read a second time, without Question put, and was committed to the Standing Committee of Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Access to Mountains Bill ;

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the General Board of Control for Scotland, for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made under the Gas Undertakings Acts on the application of—

(1) the Musselburgh Gas Company;
(2) the Corporation of the City of Glasgow;
(3) the Ashford Urban District Council;
(4) the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Bridgnorth;
(5) the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Huddersfield.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Gas Undertakings Acts.
The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Luton Water) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South Kent Water) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the South Staffordshire Water Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Jarrow Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Stalybridge Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

A Bill to provide for the inspection of riding establishments ; and for other purposes connected therewith.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next ; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Gordon Macdonald reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Riding Establishments (Registration and Inspection) Bill, and made Amendments thereto ; and had amended the Title as followeth : A Bill to provide for the inspection of riding establishments; and for other purposes connected therewith.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next ; and be printed.

Another Amendment proposed, in I. 16, after the word " Government," to insert the words " or any local or public authority."—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, to leave out ll. 35 to 39.—(Mr. Noel-Baker.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Whiteley : 
Mr. Grimston : 
Noes, 
Mr. Charlton : 
Mr. Mather : 
Mr. Anderson : 
Mr. Mathers, 
Mr. Adamson : 
Mr. Rolfe : 
Mr. Simmonds :

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in I. 27, after the word " works," to insert the words " directly or indirectly."—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, to leave out ll. 35 to 39.—(Mr. Noel-Baker.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Colonel Kerr : 
Colonel Harvie Watt : 
Mr. Mather : 
Mr. Anderson :

Noes, 
Mr. Charlton : 
Mr. Adamson : 
Mr. Rolfe : 
Mr. Simmonds :

Claus, as amended, added.

Another Clause (Computation of standard profits).—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed, in I. 12, at the end, to insert the words,—
"(3) If the business was commenced on or before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, the standard period shall be the year nineteen hundred and thirty-four."—(Mr. Noel-Baker.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Mather : 
Mr. Adamsso
Noes, 
Mr. Adamson :

Clause, as amended, added.

Another Clause (Computation of standard profits).—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed, in I. 12, at the end, to insert the words,—
"(3) If the business was commenced on or before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, the standard period shall be the year nineteen hundred and thirty-four."—(Mr. Noel-Baker.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Mathers : 
Mr. Adamson :

Noes, 
Mr. Mather :

Clause, as amended, added.

Another Amendment proposed, in I. 16, to leave out from the word " thirty-six," to the end of the subsection, and insert the words " or the year nineteen hundred and thirty-four."—(Mr. Simmonds.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause added.
Another Clause (Provisions as to computation of profits and capital), (Captain Crookshank), brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Succession and amalgamation), (Mr. Burgin), brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Duty to give information), (Mr. Burgin), brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Application to armament profits duty of Fifth Schedule to Finance Act, 1937, &c.), (Captain Crookshank), brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Deduction of armament profits duty in computing liability to income tax and national defence contribution), (Captain Crookshank), brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Interpretation, &c.), (Captain Crookshank), brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Reduced customs duties on tea), (Mr. Barnes), 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 Yeas, (Mr. Mathers, Mr. Anderson), 119.

Tellers for the Noes, (Colonel Kerr, Sir James Edmondson), 174.

Another Clause (Deduction in respect of dependent relatives), (Mr. Viant), 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 Yeas, (Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Mathers), 109.

Tellers for the Noes, (Sir James Edmondson, Colonel Kerr), 156.

Another Clause (Personal allowance of married persons), (Mr. Simpson), 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 Yeas, (Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Adamson), 94.

Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Munro, Captain Marpsson), 136.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again. (Captain Marpsson.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Colonel Kerr reported from the Committee on Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) [Money] (No. 2) a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the better organisation of the cotton industry and certain industries related thereto, and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund or moneys provided by Parliament of the sums required for the making of any payment under the Cotton Spinning Industry Act, 1936, by the Board of Trade to the board constituted under that Act (hereinafter referred to as the Spindles Board), being a payment the liability for which is attributable to any provision made by the said Act of the present Session for extending the period during which the powers conferred on the Spindles Board by subsection (1) of section four, of the said Act of 1936 are exercisable, for reducing the rate at which the levy under the last-mentioned Act is payable for any year, and for deferring payment of any instalment of that levy; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received under the said Act of 1936 by the Board of Trade from the Spindles Board, being the receipt of which is attributable to any provision made by the said Act of the present Session for extending the said period.

The said 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 taking Criminal consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera-

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking consideration the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera-

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) 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 Marriage (Scotland) 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 Second Reading of the British Overseas Airways 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Newton Abbot and District Gas and Coke Company, Limited, which was presented on the 5th day of June and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Maldon Gas Light Company, Limited, which was presented on the 6th day of June and published, be approved. —(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Sutton-in-Ashfield Urban District Council, which was presented on the 25th day of May and published, be approved with the following modifications:

Clause 6, p. 3, l. 6, leave out "Second";
Clause 6, p. 3, ll. 6 and 7, leave out "and in the First Schedule to this Order";
Clause 6, p. 3, l. 11, leave out "Schedules," and insert "Schedule";
Clause 6, p. 3, l. 14, leave out "Schedules," and insert "Schedule";
Page 3, leave out Clause 7;
Clause 60, p. 23, l. 15, leave out "Second";
Page 23, leave out the First Schedule.—(Mr. Cross.)

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 four minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4), I hereby nominate Colonel Sir Lambert Ward, instead of Major Milner, Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords].

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker.

29th June 1939.

[No. 131.]

Friday, 30th June 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

CAPTAIN Crookshank presented, pursuant to Public Works a directions of an Act of Parliament, — Loan Board.
Copy of Sixty-fourth Annual Report, with Appendices, of the Public Works Loan Board, 1938-39.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleille presented, by His Small Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Scottish Land Court under the Small Landholders (Scotland) Acts, for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by Church His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-eighth Report of the Church Estates Commissioners for the year preceding 1st March 1939.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare also presented, Shops Acts. pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Borough of Beverley.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Local Authorities and Local Government Officers (Joint Councils) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Supply [9th allotted Day] itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class V.


Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £14,514,000 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 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Labour, including sums payable by the Exchequer to the Unemployment Fund, grants to local authorities, associations and other bodies in respect of unemployment insurance, employment exchange and other services; expenses of transfer and resettlement; expenses of training of unemployed persons and, on behalf of the Army Council and Air Council, of soldiers and airmen for employment; contribution towards the expenses of the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations); expenses of the Industrial Court; expenses in connection with national service; and sundry services.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £14,513,900 be granted for the said Service. (Mr. James Griffiths.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers, Yeas, Mr. Adamson :]

[Mr. Grimson, Noes, Mr. Farness :] 118.

Original Question again proposed.

And it being after Four of the clock and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Finance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then eight minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 132.]

Monday, 3rd July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Hythe, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Philip Albert Gustave David Sassoon, Baronet, G.B.E., C.M.G., deceased. (Captain Marples.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Jarrow 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 South Staffordshire Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Stalybridge Hyde Moseley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Folkestone Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The London County Council (Improvements) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Macclefield Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th June 1939, entitled the Military Training (Adjustment of Contracts) Regulations, 1939.
Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939. Copy of Regulations, dated 30th June 1939, entitled the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Adjustment of Contracts) Regulations, 1939. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Experiments on Living Animals. No. 143. Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 28th day of June last, for a Return relative to Experiments on Living Animals.

Metropolitan Police Staff Superannuation Acts. Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order enabling officers of the staff of the Metropolitan Police and Police Courts to make an allocation to spouses and dependants of part of their superannuation benefits.

Workmen’s Compensation Acts. Copies of Schemes, dated 28th June 1939, entitled:—
(1) the Silicosis and Asbestosis (Medical Arrangements) Amendment Scheme, 1939;
(2) the Various Industries (Silicosis No. 2) Amendment Schéme, 1939.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Local Government Act, 1933. Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Local Government Financial Statistics, England and Wales, for the year 1936-7.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Economic Advisory Council (Nutrition in the Colonial Empire.) Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of First Report of the Committee on Nutrition in the Colonial Empire. Part I, Nutrition in the Colonial Empire.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Post Office (Telegraphs.) Major Tryon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd June 1939, entitled the Telegraph (Empire Social Telegram) Regulations, 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill. Rear-Admiral Sir Murray Suerter reported from the Select Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them this day to the House.
Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill. Rear-Admiral Sir Murray Suerter reported from the Select Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for Thursday next; and be printed.
Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Lindsay, supported by Captain Crookshank, presented a Bill to facilitate the provision in Liverpool of public elementary school (Liverpool) accommodation for senior children: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on 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 (Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, (Captain Dugdale, Mr. Groves, Noes, (Mr. Whiteley, So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.) Another Clause (Reduction of duties on certain licences)—(Mr. Craven Ellis)—brought up, and read the first time. Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time. Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Charge of national defence contribution not to apply to industrial and provident societies)—(Mr. Barnes)—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. Whiteley,Yeas, (Mr. Mathers : 110.
Tellers for the (Captain Dugdale, Noes, (Colonel Harvie Watt : 201.
Another Clause (Charge of national defence contribution not to apply to housing associations)—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence)—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. Groves, Yeas, (Mr. Whiteley : 109.
Tellers for the (Colonel Harvie Watt, Noes, (Captain McEwen : 204.
Another Clause (Additional information to be supplied)—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence)—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. Groves, Yeas, (Mr. Mathers : 115.
Tellers for the (Mr. Furness, Noes, (Colonel Harvie Watt : 207.
Another Clause (Exemption from duty of agricultural implements and raw materials),—(Sir Richard Acland).—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Hugh Seely, Yeas, ], Sir Percy Harris : 121.
  [Sir Charles Dilke, Noes, ], Colonel Harvie Watt : 240.
  [Sir Harry Johnstone, Noes, ].

Another Clause (Taxation of friendly societies),—(Mr. Cocks),—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. Groves, Yeas, ], Mr. Anderson : 122.
  [Mr. Charteris, Noes, ], Mr. Munro : 219.

Another Clause (Relief for voluntary contributors under the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Acts),—(Mr. Tinker),—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. Whiteley, Yeas, ], Mr. Charleton : 124.
  [Mr. James Stuart, Noes, ], Colonel Harvey Watt : 186.

First Schedule agreed to.

Second and Third Schedules amended, and agreed to.

Fourth and Fifth Schedules agreed to.

Sixth Schedule disagreed to.

Seventh to Ninth Schedules agreed to.

A Schedule (Computation of Profit and Capital for purposes of Armaments Profits Duty),—(Mr. Chancelor of the Exchequer),—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed, in l. 30, to leave out the word "ten," and insert the word "six."—(Mr. Patrick-Lawrence.)

Question put, That the word "ten" stand part of the proposed Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir James Edmondson, Yeas, ], Mr. Munro : 209.
  [Sir Robert Wardlaw-Milne, Noes, ], Mr. Charleton : 107.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 51, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(4) If any person proves to the satisfaction of the Board of Referees that after the end of the last chargeable accounting period he has incurred any loss or expense arising out of or as a consequence of armament contracts (including a fall in value of stocks and stores) or in the termination of commitments and liabilities, the amount of any such losses and expenses, so far as the same shall not have already been allowed, shall be deemed to be an allowable deduction in arriving at the profits of that business for the purpose of the Armaments Profits Duty, and any necessary repayment shall be made accordingly."—(Captain Strickland.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 65, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(c) where any expenditure is incurred by a person carrying on a business following an order by the Minister of Supply or by any other Minister (with the exception of the Minister for Civil Defence) for the purpose of the protection of buildings, plant or personnel, such expenditure, so far as it is not met by capital repayment by His Majesty's Government, shall be allowed as a deduction in calculating the amount of excess profits assessed to armaments profits duty."—(Sir Arnold Gridley.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Schedule added.

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 Thursday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords] as amended in the Standing Committee;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Robert Gibson.)

And, the Motion being opposed, after a brief Question put, explanatory statement of the reasons for Ro. 40.,-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. 40:—And it passed in the Negative.

Then the House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 10, by leaving out paragraph (i).—(Mr. Robert Gibson.)

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. James Stuart, Yeas, ], Colonel Kerr : 155.
  [Mr. Robert Gibson, Noes, ], Mr. McGovern : 23.

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 take into consideration the Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) 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 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.

Milk Industry (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Milk Industry (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Criminal Justice Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Official Secrets Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

British Overseas Airways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Overseas Airways 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Riding Establishments Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Debt Collectors (Registration and Licensing) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Senior Public Elementary Schools (Liverpool) Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 133.]

Tuesday, 4th July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Portsmouth (South Division), in the room of Major Sir Herbert Robin Cayzer, Baronet, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Captain Dugdale.)
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Monmouth (Monmouth Division), in the room of Major John Arthur Herbert, who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff to His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Captain Budge.)

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.:

Barmouth Urban District Council Bill [Lords].
Falmouth Docks 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, 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 Order Confirmation (North Lindsey Water Board) Bill [Lords].
Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Wembley) 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 Order Confirmation (Bacup) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Stirling Burgh Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 30th May 1939, relating to the Additional Import (Key Industry) Duties (No. 1) Order, 1939.

Captain Crookshank also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 4th July 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Additional Import (Key Industry) Duties (No. 1) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pur- suant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County borough of Middlesbrough.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Pethick-Lawrence reported from the Com- mittee of Public Accounts:—That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices:—And the Report was brought up and read.

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 the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Unemployment Insurance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Coast Protection Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Merthyr made by this House to the Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Coast Lords to the Coast Protection Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and Bill 185. be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Merchandise Bill to amend the Merchandise Marks Act, 1926; and that Mr. Edwards, Mr. Greenwood, Sir Charles Edwards, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Dalton, and Mr. Latham do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Edwards accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Merchandise Marks Act, 1926, and the same was read the first time, and ordered Bill 183, to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Poor Law Bill to give discretionary powers to public assistance committees to disregard payments made in respect of holidays when assessing relief to applicants for public assistance; and
for purposes connected therewith; and that Miss Ward, Mr. Storey, Mr. Magnay, Sir Alexander Russell, Mr. Dewville, and Brigadier-General Spears do prepare and bring it in.

Miss Ward accordingly presented a Bill to give discretionary powers to public assistance committees to disregard payments made in respect of holidays when assessing relief to applicants for public assistance; and for purposes connected therewith; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £2,602,227 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of Health for Scotland; including grants, a grant in aid and other expenses in connection with housing, certain grants to local authorities, &c., grant in aid of the Highlands and Islands Medical Service, grants in aid in respect of National Health Insurance benefits, &c.; certain expenses in connection with the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions, and other services;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £2,602,127 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Maxton.)

And, it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had 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, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Senior Public Elementary Schools (Liverpool) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Access to Mountains Bill.

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 15, l. 13, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 15, l. 13, leave out ('' by the owner of '') and insert ('' on ''), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the Commons were Special Entry, willing to waive their Privileges, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 15, l. 16, at end insert ('' or of the public ''), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the Commons were Special Entry, willing to waive their Privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Water Supply into consideration the Water Supply Bill, as Bill amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 134.]

Wednesday, 5th July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Milford Haven and Tenby Water Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Stirling Burgh Water Bill Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bacup) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (North Lindsey Water Board) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.
The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Wembley) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Port Glasgow Burgh and Harbour; and the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such sum as may be necessary to enable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to pay to the London County Council such contribution towards the cost of the construction of an embankment wall on the River Thames to be authorised by any Act of the present Session as may, with the consent of the Treasury, be agreed between the said Commissioners and the London County Council—(The Deputy Chairman);

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 24th April 1939, made under the Poor Law Acts, entitled the Public Assistance (Amendment) Order, 1939.

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th May 1939, entitled the Housing Act (Form of Charging Order) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C.—Sir Granville Gibson; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Mitchell.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Isidore Salmon reported from the Select Committee on Estimates: That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read.

No. 145. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Tiverton Corporation Bill, without any Amendment.

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The Prime Minister, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented a Bill to provide for the making, in certain cases, of grants to, and to the widows of, persons who have been Members of the House of Commons; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Groves, supported by Sir Thomas Moore, presented a Bill to prohibit experiments on dogs: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply [11th allotted Day.] itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

The Order of the day being read, for the Milk Industry (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Milk Industry Second Reading of the Milk Industry (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) 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 British Overseas Airways 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) 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 Water Supply Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Marriages Validity Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Sir Francis Fremantle.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Marmaduke.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (4),
I hereby nominate Sir Cyril Entwistle Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Disused Burial Grounds Act (1884) Amendment Bill and the Highways Protection Bill.

E. A. FrizRoy,
Speaker.

6th July 1939.

Thursday, 6th July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The Stirling Burgh Order Confirmation Bill Stirling Burgh 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 Port Glasgow Burgh and Harbour Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved London itself into a Committee on London County Council (General Powers) [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session authorising the London County Council, among other things, to construct certain embankments and embankment walls on the River Thames, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such sum as may be necessary to enable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to pay to the London County Council such contribution towards the cost of the construction of the embankment wall (Work No. 1) to be authorised by the intended Act as may, with the consent of the Treasury, be agreed between the said Commissioners and the London County Council.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.


Copy of Order in Council, dated 23rd June Greenwich 1939, approving an Admiralty Memorial under the Greenwich Hospital Acts.


(1) the Northern Lighthouse Board (Establishment) Order, 1939;
(2) the Egyptian Tonnage Order, 1939.
Copy of Order in Council, dated 23rd June 1939, entitled the Forestry (Transfer of Lands from the Commissioners of Crown Lands) Order, 1939.

Copies of Representations of the General Medical Council made under the Medical Acts to the Privy Council under—
(1) the University of Sheffield Act, 1905;
(2) the University of Wales (Medical Graduates) Act, 1911.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—
Copy of Regulations, dated 29th June 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 34) (Clayponds Lane South) Regulations, 1939.

Copies of Special Orders made under the Electricity (Supply) Acts and Public Works Facilities Act, 1930.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Preamble of the West Surrey Water Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report 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 Civil Defence Facilities Act, 1930, to increase the capital and borrowing powers of—
(1) the Wessex Electricity Company;
(2) the Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Electric Power Company.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Standing Committee A: That they had gone through the Electricity (Supply) Acts and the Public Works Facilities Act, 1930, to increase the capital and borrowing powers of—

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Sir Robert Young reported from Standing Committee A: That they had gone through the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Nees Edwards, Esquire, Member for the New Member County of Glamorgan (Caerphilly Division), was sworn, sworn.

Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Chancellor of Overseas Business of Trade and the Exchequer and Mr. Robert Hudson, presented a Bill to extend the powers of the Board of Trade to give guarantees for the purpose of establishing or encouraging overseas trade; to enable the Board to acquire and dispose of securities guaranteed by them under this Act or under the Export Guarantees Act, 1939, 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 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 Yeas: Mr. Groves, Mr. Waterhouse; 323

Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Charleton, Mr. Dugdale; 236

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Lords have agreed to the Marriage Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Supply Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Sunderland Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Marriage Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wheat (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Supply Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Civil Defence Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and 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.

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The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. Groves, Mr. Waterhouse; 323

Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Charleton, Mr. Dugdale; 236

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Lords have agreed to the Civil Defence Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Supply Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Marriage Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

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Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Supply Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the new Clause (Amendment of 26 Geo. 5 & 1 Edw. 8, c. 21), standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Stanley.

(Mr. Stanley.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee)

A Clause (Amendment of 26 Geo. 5 & 1 Edw. 8, c. 21),—(Mr. Stanley),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had added a Clause to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, and on re-committal, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (Amendment of price schemes in relation to persons carrying on business in certain parts of the United Kingdom),—(Mr. Cross),—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 6, by leaving out paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), and inserting the words,—

"(a) one of the members of the Cotton Industry Board appointed thereto under paragraph 1 of the First Schedule to this Act as being independent persons, who shall be chairman of the committee;
(b) four members selected from the members of the Cotton Industry Board appointed thereto in accordance with sub-paragraphs (a) to (h) of paragraph 2 of the said Schedule, of whom two shall be persons appointed by that board to have special knowledge of the business of spinning yarn from staple rayon fibre, weaving rayon yarn or finishing fabrics woven from rayon yarn;
(c) the member of the Cotton Industry Board appointed thereto in accordance with sub-paragraph (j) of the said paragraph 2;
(d) two additional members being persons who appear to the Cotton Industry Board to have special knowledge of the business of selling fabrics woven from rayon yarn; and
(e) four other additional members."—(Mr. Stanley),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, in l. 20, by leaving out the words "Cotton Industry Board," and inserting the words "Board of Trade,"—(Mr. Petherick),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment 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. 8, l. 5, by leaving out the word "may," and inserting the word "shall,"—(Mr. Rhys Davies),—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.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Furness, Colonel Harvie Watt);
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Adamson, Mr. Anderson);

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 22, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"(3) The terms of contracts specified in a price scheme shall not include any term the effect of which would be to restrict or regulate any sale of goods after they have been sold or subjected to a process by a person registered under the scheme:—Provided that the terms so specified in a scheme containing provisions for the determination of prices in connection with the sale, by persons registered under the scheme, of any product of spinning, doubling or weaving which has not been subjected to any process of finishing, may include terms designed to secure that the price at which that product is sold in the United Kingdom on any occasion after the sale thereof by a person so registered is not less than the price for the time being determined under the scheme, being the price which would have been applicable to the sale of that product on that occasion if the seller were the person so registered."—(Mr. Cross.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment by leaving out l. 7 to 21.—(Mr. Petherick.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment 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. 25, l. 38, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"(b) to establish a fund to assist the export trade by the imposition of a levy, subject to such conditions as may be deemed proper on persons entered in the general register."—(Mr. Ellis Smith.)

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. Whiteley, Yeas, } Mr. Mathers : 73.
Tellers for the {Mr. Grimston, Noes, } Sir James Edmondson : 166.

So it was resolved in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 39, l. 38, by inserting after the word " finishing " the words " and that the packeting of surgical cloths and the labelling of such cloths to indicate that they are intended for surgical and therapeutic purposes, or for the purposes of personal hygiene, shall not be deemed to be making-up or packing."—(Mr. Sexton.)

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.

A Schedule was offered to be added to the Bill (Limitations on, and Special Exemptions from, Determination of Normal Minimum Price or Charge under a Price Scheme).—(Mr. Stanley.)

And the said Schedule was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Schedule, in l. 108, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"8. The decision of the Cotton Industry Board on an application made by any person registered under the scheme for the determination by that Board in accordance with the preceding provisions of this Part of this Schedule of the special allowance for cost and depreciation appropriate to that person in respect of the relevant product shall be notified to that person not later than seven days after the submission to the Cotton Industry Board of such particulars in regard to the application as may reasonably be required by that Board for the purpose of arriving at such decision."—(Mr. Petherick.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Schedule:—It passed in the Negative.

And the said Schedule was made part of the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 44, l. 6, by leaving out the word " fifteen," and inserting the word " seventeen."—(Mr. Burke.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "fifteen" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the {Colonel Kerr, Yeas, } Sir James Edmondson : 127.
Tellers for the {Mr. Mathers, Noes, } Mr. Adamson : 71.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 7th July 1939:

Other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Air Ministry Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, 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 upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Justice Bill into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the House of Commons Members' Fund Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Overseas Airways 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 India and Burman (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last; and which Resolutions were then postponed;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Whitehaven United Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 15th day of June and published, be approved with the following modification:—
Clause 4, p. 2, l. 45, leave out "July," and insert "October."—(Mr. Cross).

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Mansfield, which was presented on the 13th day of June and published, be approved, subject to the following modifications:—
Clause 4, p. 2, l. 41, leave out "bourough of Mansfield," and insert "existing limits";
Clause 5, p. 2, l. 46, leave out "existing limits," and insert "bourough of Mansfield."—(Mr. Cross.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Coast Protection 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 London Government Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.—(Mr. Ammon.)

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-three minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.
The Order made upon the 29th day of March last, That the Disused Burial Grounds Act (1884) Amendment Bill be committed to a Standing Committee, was read, and discharged;

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order made upon the 4th day of this instant July, That the Barmouth Urban District Council Bill [Lords] be read a second time, was read, and discharged.

The Milk Industry (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Grimston.)

Sir Reginald Dorman Smith, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Milk Industry [Payments] proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise certain payments out of the Exchequer to milk marketing boards in respect of certain milk, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) to milk marketing boards by which payments are or have been made to producers in respect of accredited milk, standard milk, tuberculin tested milk, certified milk or milk from attested herds, being in any case milk sold or used at any time during the two years ending with the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and forty, and forty, of sums in respect of that milk in accordance with the tables at the end of this Resolution;

(b) to any milk marketing board which, in respect of any period between the first day of October, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, and the beginning of October, nineteen hundred and forty, gives effect or has given effect to approved arrangements for increasing the demand for milk by the sale thereof at a reduced price for consumption—

(i) by pupils who attend recognised public elementary, secondary or day schools and persons under eighteen who attend other schools or institutions or undergo courses of instruction; or

(ii) by expectant or nursing mothers or children under five,

of sums not exceeding the loss incurred by the board in carrying out the arrangements;

(c) to milk marketing boards, in respect of milk used in manufacturing butter or cheese during the two years ending with the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and forty, of sums calculated, in the case of milk used for butter, by reference to the amount by which the price of imported butter falls, in a winter half-year, below sixty-seven shillings and sixpence per hundredweight, and, in a summer half-year, below sixty-two shillings and sixpence per hundredweight, for which the payments for any year shall not be made in respect of more than two hundred and fifty million gallons of milk in all;

(d) of the administrative expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Secretary of State;

and to authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received under the said Act by any Minister of the Crown.

### Table I.

Milk produced in England which is sold otherwise than by retail or semi-retail or is used in manufacturing cheese at a farm, and milk produced in Scotland sold to or through a milk marketing board or used in manufacturing cheese at a farm.

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—(Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith.)

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 House, according to Order, resolved itself Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

London Government.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to consolidate with amendments certain enactments relating to local government in London, it is expedient to
authorise the forfeiture and payment into the Exchequer in certain cases of sums equal to one-half of the salaries of persons appointed to act temporarily as medical officers of health for areas within the administrative county of London, being sums otherwise payable by the London County Council to the authorities appointing such persons.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then one minute before Four of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 10th July 1939.

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 Sunderland 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 Milford Haven and Tenby 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.

The Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Colonel Llewellyn reported from the Committee on London County Council (General Powers) [Money] a Resolution; which was read, as follows:—

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session authorising the London County Council, among other things, to construct certain embankments and embankment walls on the River Thames, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such sum as may be necessary to enable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to pay to the London County Council such contribution towards the cost of the construction of the embankment wall (Work No. 1) to be authorised by the intended Act as may, with the consent of the Treasury, be agreed between the said Commissioners and the London County Council.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, by Army Estimates, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Import Majesty's Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 7th June 1939, relating to the Additional Import Duties (No. 5) Order, 1939.

Captain Crookshank also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 10th July 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 5) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Anderson presented, by His Majesty's Sectional Command,—Copy of Report upon investigations of the standard of protection afforded by Sectional Steel Shelters.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pur-Supplementary Estimates, 1939.

suant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Committees by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Urban district of Atherton (in pursuance of the powers delegated to them by the County Council for the County Palatine of Lancaster).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Acts by—

(1) the Peebles, Roxburgh and Selkirk County Councils;

(2) the Perth County Council; the Perth and Kinross Joint County Council, and the Kinross County Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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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 1938;

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report upon the Accidents which occurred on the Railways of Great Britain during 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd June 1939, entitled the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) (Green Peas) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bootle Corporation Bill [Lords], and verbally amended the same, and found the same as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report 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 Yeas, {Sir James Edmundson: 209.

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Anderson: 130.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection.—(Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That all Petitions against the Bill, presented at any time not later than five clear days after the Second Reading of the Bill, be referred to the Committee.—(Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "five," and inserting the word "ten,"—(Mr. Craven-Ellis), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "five" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "ten" be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the word "six" was there inserted.—(Mr. Craven Ellis.)

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill, presented at any time not later than six clear days after the Second Reading of the Bill, be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Petitions against the Bill may be deposited in the Committee and Private Bill Office, provided that such Petitions shall have been prepared and signed in conformity with the Rules and Orders of this House relating to Petitions against Private Bills.

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 report from day to day the minutes of evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood.)

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, by his Majesty's British Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to British Overseas Airways [Money] proposed to be moved,
under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision, amongst other matters, for the establishment of a British Overseas Airways Corporation, and to make further and better provision for the operation of air transport services, it is expedient—

A. To charge on the Consolidated Fund any sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling any guarantee of the redemption or repayment of, and the payment of interest on, any stock issued or temporary loan raised by the Corporation, being stock or loans the aggregate amount of the principal whereof outstanding at any time (exclusive of amounts borrowed for redeeming stock or paying off a loan) does not exceed ten million pounds.

B. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of—

(a) any sums received by way of repayment of sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund for fulfilling any such guarantee as aforesaid or by way of interest thereon; and

(b) any sums paid by the Corporation to the Secretary of State under the said Act.

C. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) grants to the Corporation of such amounts as may be determined by the Secretary of State under the said Act;

(b) such grants as the Secretary of State may agree to make in consideration of undertakings with respect to overseas air transport services entered into with him by any company in which the Corporation has a financial interest and to which a subsidy is payable by the Government of some country other than the United Kingdom in consideration of corresponding undertakings entered into by that company with that Government; and

(c) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in the provision of facilities for the operation of aircraft of the Corporation or of any such company as aforesaid:

Provided that the aggregate amount of the grants to be made under this Resolution in any financial year, when added to the aggregate amount of any subsidies paid in that year under agreements made before the commencement of the said Act in pursuance of section one of the Air Navigation Act, 1936, as amended by the Air Navigation (Financial Provisions) Act, 1938, shall not exceed four million pounds, and no such grant shall be made after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-three. (Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
The Lords Amendment in p. 32, leave out ll. 24 to 26, and insert,—

("Provided that—

(a) so much of any building or block of buildings as consists of, or is comprised in, any factory premises or commercial building shall be disregarded;
(b) the said expression does not include any building or block of buildings owned by any local authority;
(c) if and so long as arrangements are in existence under which particular classes of persons are provided free of charge on behalf of His Majesty with materials for air-raid shelter, the said expression does not include a building or block of buildings in the case of which the majority of the occupiers of the residential parts fall within those classes,
and any question whether any building or block of buildings is or is not excluded from the operation of this section by virtue of paragraph (a) of this sub-section the amount, if any, proposed by the Lords Amendment, and adding the words, "(b) the said expression does not include any building or block of buildings owned by any local authority;"
the next Amendment, being read a second time;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Sir John Anderson);
The House proceeded to a Division.
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the f Colonel Kerr, Yeas, Sir James Edmondson: 162.
Tellers for the f Mr. Mothers, Noes, Mr. Adamson: 108.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Lords Amendment in p. 32, l. 33, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 33, l. 3, leave out from the beginning to (" dissent "), in l. 4, the next Amendment, being read a second time;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Sir John Anderson);
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the f Captain Dugdale, Yeas, Sir James Edmondson: 133.
Tellers for the f Mr. Mothers, Noes, Mr. Anderson: 81.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Then the subsequent Lords Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 33, l. 24, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 33, l. 24, at end, insert—

("b) there shall then be added to the sum ascertained under paragraph (a) of this subsection the amount, if any, proposed by the

scheme as compensation to persons (including the owner) interested in the premises in which the shelter is situated, or the amount (if any) properly paid by, or, as the case may be, reasonably allowed to, the owner in respect of such compensation, whichever is the less ");
the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "scheme," to the end of the Lords Amendment, and adding the words, "to be paid by the owner as compensation to persons having an estate or interest in the premises in which the shelter is to be provided or the amount, if any, properly paid by the owner in respect of such compensation, whichever is the less; and

(ii) the amount, if any, proposed by the scheme to be allowed as compensation to the owner in respect of his interest in the premises in which the shelter is to be provided or the amount reasonably allowed to the owner in respect of such compensation, whichever is the less,"
—(Sir John Anderson)—instead thereof; and, so amended, was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment in p. 33, l. 32, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment in p. 33, l. 35, leave out ("one-tenth"), and insert ("one-eighth"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Sir John Anderson);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the f Mr. Munro, Yeas, Mr. Furness: 126.
Tellers for the f Mr. Adamson, Noes, Mr. Anderson: 79.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Lords Amendment in p. 33, l. 36, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment in p. 34, l. 24, at end insert ("and where a part of a building or block of buildings is occupied under a lease of which the unexpired term is less than six months, that person shall be deemed for the purposes of this section to be the occupier of that part who would be the occupier thereof if every such lease thereof had been surrendered.

(11) The provisions of the last preceding section shall apply in relation to the owner of a building or block of buildings who is providing an air-raid shelter of a permanent character under a scheme under this section, as it applies in relation to the owner of any such premises as are mentioned in subsection (1) of that section.

the next Amendment, being read a second time;
And it appearing that the Commons were Special Entry, willing to waive their Privileges, the same was agreed to.
Then the subsequent Lords Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 54, l. 12, being read a second time, were agreed to.
The Lords Amendment, in p. 54, l. 12, leave out ("penalties") and insert ("fines, not in any case exceeding fifty pounds"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, by adding at the end thereof, the words "or imprisonment not exceeding three months,"—(Mr. Herbert Morrison).—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 59, l. 37, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 59, l. 37, after ("cease") insert ("and any such directions may require the lands or buildings to be restored, to such extent as may be specified, to their former condition"), 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. 59, l. 40, at end insert,—

(4) In this section the expression "use," in relation to lands owned by or leased to a local authority, includes the erection of buildings and other structures thereon, the making of excavations therein, and the alteration and maintenance of any such buildings, structures or excavations, and, in relation to buildings owned by or leased to an authority, includes the alteration and maintenance of those buildings.

The next Amendment, being read a second time:

And it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their Privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the second Amendment in p. 62, l. 8, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 62, l. 8, at end insert new Clause E (Provision of air-raid shelter not to increase valuation for rating), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to remove doubts, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 71, l. 17, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 71, l. 17, at end insert new Clause F (Saving for telegraphic lines), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their Privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 74, l. 35, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment, in p. 74, l. 35, at end insert,—

(8) For the purposes of this Act the number of persons who work in or about a mine shall be deemed to be a number ascertained as follows, that is to say—

(a) by having regard to all the people employed in or about the mine and ascertaining how many of them are from time to time simultaneously present in or about the mine otherwise than below the surface, and

(b) if the numbers so ascertained fluctuate, by ascertaining the highest number which, throughout any consecutive period of fifteen minutes, is equalled or exceeded, ("gas") insert ("or water"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords Amendment, in l. 3, by leaving out from the second word "be" to the end of the Lords Amendment, and adding the words "the highest number which throughout any consecutive period of fifteen minutes is present on the surface of the mine,"—(Mr. Herbert Morrison).—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Lords Amendment:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Lords Amendment was amended in l. 11, by leaving out from the word "highest," to the end of the Lords Amendment, and adding the words "figure below which throughout any consecutive period of fifteen minutes the numbers do not fall,"—(Mr. Attorney-General),—instead thereof; and, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 77, l. 15, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 77, l. 15, leave out ("supply gas") and insert ("do so"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the Commons were Special Entry, willing to waive their Privileges, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 77, l. 16, after ("gas") insert ("water"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the Commons were Special Entry, willing to waive their Privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the second Amendment in p. 87, l. 33, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 87, l. 33, at end insert,—

(For section sixty-seven there shall be substituted the following section):

67. Section one of the Rating and Valuation (Air-Raid Works) (Scotland) Act, 1938 (which provides for relief from rates in respect of air-raid protection works in Scotland) shall, in relation to any lands and heritages forming part of a building, have effect as if any structural alterations or improvements made in the building or on land occupied or used with the building for the purpose of providing air-raid shelter were structural alterations or improvements to the lands and heritages, and in estimating the yearly rent or value of any lands and heritages for the purposes of valuation and rating no regard shall be had to any increase in the rent thereof (whether made by virtue of this Act or not) which is attributable to the provision of air-raid shelter for persons living or working in the lands and heritages, ("the highest number which throughout any consecutive period of fifteen minutes is present on the surface of the mine,").
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; and hath made Amendments to two of them, to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Supply Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

Sir Walter Womersley reported from the Committee on Milk Industry [Payments] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise certain payments out of the Exchequer to milk marketing boards in respect of certain milk, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) to milk marketing boards by which payments are or have been made to producers in respect of accredited milk, standard milk, tuberculin tested milk, certified milk or milk from attested herds, being in any case milk sold or used at any time during the two years ending with the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and forty, of sums not exceeding the loss incurred by the board in carrying out the arrangements;

(b) to any milk marketing board which, in respect of any period between the first day of October, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, and the beginning of October, nineteen hundred and forty, gives effect or has given effect to approved arrangements for increasing the demand for milk by the sale thereof at a reduced price for consumption—

(i) by pupils who attend recognised public elementary, secondary or day schools and persons under eighteen who attend other schools or institutions or undergo courses of instruction; or

(ii) by expectant or nursing mothers or children under five,

of sums not exceeding the loss incurred by the board in carrying out the arrangements;

(c) to milk marketing boards, in respect of milk used in manufacturing butter or cheese during the two years ending with the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and forty, of sums not exceeding the loss incurred by the board in the case of milk used for butter, by reference to the amount by which the price of imported butter falls, in a winter half-year, below one hundred and twenty-five shillings per hundredweight, and, in a summer half-year, below one hundred and fifteen shillings per hundredweight, and, in a summer half-year, below sixty-seven shillings per hundredweight, and in a winter half-year, below sixty-two shillings per hundredweight, so however that the payments for any year shall not be made in respect of more than two hundred and fifty million gallons of milk in all; of sums calculated, in the case of milk used for cheese at a farm.

(d) of the administrative expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Secretary of State;

and to authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received under the said Act by any Minister of the Crown.

Table I.

Milk produced in England which is sold otherwise than by retail or semi-retail or is used in manufacturing cheese at a farm, and milk produced in Scotland sold to or through a milk marketing board or used in manufacturing cheese at a farm.

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The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Sir Walter Womersley reported from the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means of the 7th July of this instant July a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

London Government.

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to consolidate with amendments certain enactments relating to local government in London, it is expedient to authorise the forfeiture and payment into the Exchequer in certain cases of sums equal to one-half of the salaries of persons appointed to act temporarily as medical officers of health for areas within the administrative county of London, being sums otherwise payable by the London County Council to the authorities appointing such persons.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Air Ministry Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) (re-committed) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the
Committee of 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 Junior Public Elementa-
ary Schools (Liverpool) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking
into consideration the Amendments made by
the Lords to the Wheat (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken
into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking
into consideration the Building Societies (No. 2)
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera-
tion this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Overseas Trade Guarante-
tees Bill;
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 consid-
eration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking
into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as
amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera-
tion upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Deer and Ground Game
(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 Administration of
Justice (Emergency Provisions) 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 House of Commons
Members' Fund Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.


[No. 138.]

Tuesday, 11th July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

SECRETARY Sir Kingsley Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command, Estimate of additional Personnel and a further Sum required to be voted for Air Services for the year ending 31st March 1940.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command, Estimate of a further Sum required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1940.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

West Riding of Yorkshire (for the urban district of Slaithwaite).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Regulations, dated 12th June 1939, entitled National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Scheme for authorising the sale of the site of the Church of Emmanuel, otherwise The Unity, in the United Parish of Bristol, Saint Philip and Saint Jacob with Emmanuel, in the County of Gloucester and in the Diocese of Bristol.

Mr. Rickards reported from the Committee on Group H of Private Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Medway Conservancy Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true, and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Mr. Rickards further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

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Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Rickards reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group H 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.

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Colonel Baldwin-Webb; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Percy Hurst.

Sir Charles MacAndrew further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Highways Protection Bill):—Sir William Brass, Mr. Cary, Mr. Erskine Hill, Mr. James Hall, Captain Austin Hudson, Mr. McIntee, Mr. Maclaren, Mr. Medlicott, Mr. Petherick, and Mr. Henry Strauss.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from the Selection Committee of Selection: That they had nominated the following Three Members to serve on the Select Committee on the British Overseas Airways Bill:—Mr. Latham, Mr. Peat, and Sir Alexander Russell.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Southend-on-Sea Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Southend-on-Sea Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Marriage (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Colonel Ponsonby reported from Standing Standing Committee D: That they had gone through the Agricultural Development Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 196. Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.
Standing Committee C : That they had gone through the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

No. 152.

War Risks Insurance Bill.

Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Attorney-General, and Mr. Cross, presented a Bill to make provision for authorising the Board of Trade, in the event of war and in other circumstances, to undertake the insurance of ships and other goods; for the payment by the Board of Trade, in time of war, of compensation in respect of goods lost or damaged in transit; for requiring persons to insure goods against certain risks in time of war; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, for purposes connected with the insurance of ships and other goods; for requiring persons to insure goods against certain risks in time of war; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Business of the House.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments in Clause 21, p. 23, l. 9, and Clause 28, p. 31, l. 4, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.—(Mr. Burgin.)

The House immediately resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 21 and No. 28 amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Amendments to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee and on re-committal, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Allowance in respect of earned income).—(Mr. Lees-Smith.)

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 second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, [Mr. Mathers :]

Tellers for the [Mr. Grimston, Noes, [Colonel Harrie Watt :] 132.

136.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Deduction in respect of dependent and infirm relatives).—(Mr. Graham White.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Graham White, Yeas, [Mr. Ernest Evans :]

Tellers for the [Colonel Harrie Watt, Noes, [Mr. Buchan-Hepburn :] 131.

217.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Provision as to licence in respect of a mechanically-propelled vehicle).—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence.)

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. Mathers, Yeas, [Mr. Adamson :]

Tellers for the [Colonel Harrie Watt, Noes, [Captain McEwen :] 121.

249.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Payment of death duties).—(Sir William Wayland.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 12, l. 19, by inserting at the end thereof the words, —

"(6) If in the case of any company the cost of maintenance, repairs, insurance and management (being expenditure of such a nature as to be capable of being taken into account for the purposes of a claim by the company under Rule 8 of No. V of Schedule A) incurred by it
in any year of assessment exceeds the amount of the gross estate or trading income of the company for that year, the company shall be entitled, on giving notice in writing to the Special Commissioners within six months of the end of that year and on proof to the satisfaction of those Commissioners of the amount of the excess, to require that the amount of the actual income from all sources of the company other than estate or trading income for that year shall be treated, for the purposes of this section, as if it were reduced by an amount equal to that excess:

Provided that, where a deduction is allowable in computing the estate or trading income of the company for any subsequent year by reference to the said Rule 8, no account shall be taken in computing the amount of that deduction of any such excess expenditure which has been taken into account for the purposes of any such reduction as aforesaid.

In this subsection the expression 'maintenance' has the same meaning as in the said Rule 8 and the expression 'the amount of the gross estate or trading income' means, in the case of any company, an amount computed by adding to the amount of the estate or trading income of the company the total amount of any deductions made in computing that income in respect of the cost to the company of maintenance, repairs, insurance, or management of the nature aforesaid (including any allowance made by reference to Rule 7 of No. V of Schedule A).—(Mr. Attorney-General).

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. Whiteley, 118.
Yeas, Mr. Anderson:
Tellers for the Mr. Grimston,
Noes, Mr. Munro:
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. 17, l. 43, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(3) Nothing in this section shall impose on any bank the obligation to furnish any particulars of any ordinary banking transactions between the bank and a customer carried out in the ordinary course of banking business, unless the bank has acted or is acting on behalf of the customer in connection with the formation or management of any such body corporate as is mentioned in paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of this section or in connection with the creation, or with the execution of the trusts, of any such settlement as is mentioned in paragraph (c) thereof."—(Sir Alan Anderson.)

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. Muirro,
Yeas, Mr. Buchan-Hepburn:
Tellers for the Mr. Adamson,
Noes, Mr. Anderson:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 8, by leaving out from the word "and," to the end of the subsection, and inserting the words "the Special Commissioners may draw the inference that a person is likely to be able to secure that assets or income of a company will be applied for his benefit, or, as the case may be, will be so applied to a greater extent than is represented in the value for apportionment purposes of any relevant interests which he has in the company, if and only if they are satisfied—

(a) that he has, directly or indirectly, transferred assets to the company the value of which is not represented, or is not adequately represented, in the value for apportionment purposes of any relevant interests which he has in the company; and

(b) that the persons who, whether as directors or shareholders or in any other capacity, have, or will at any material time have, powers or rights affecting the disposal or application of the income or assets of the company are likely to act in accordance with his wishes or that he is able to secure that persons who at the material times will have such powers or rights will be persons likely to act in accordance with his wishes,"—(Mr. Attorney-General),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;
The House proceeded to a Division, but the doors of the Lobby having been locked before the expiration of six minutes, Mr. Speaker directed the House to proceed again to a Division.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley,
Yeas, Mr. Anderson:
Tellers for the Mr. Grimston,
Noes, Mr. Munro:
So it passed in the Negative.

And the proposed words were there inserted in the Bill.

The Lords Amendment in p. 3, l. 4, at end, insert ('and, without prejudice to any powers transferred or made exercisable as aforesaid, the powers of the Minister under this subsection of manufacturing or otherwise producing articles shall not be exercised after the expiration of a period of three years beginning with the date of the passing of this Act, except in respect of such classes of articles as His Majesty may specify by Order in Council made not earlier
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Water Supply Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;  

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself London into a Committee on the London Government Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 56 agreed to.
Clauses No. 58 to No. 83 agreed to.
Clauses No. 84 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 85 to No. 93 agreed to.
Clauses No. 94 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 95 to No. 120 agreed to.
Clauses No. 121 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 122 to No. 158 agreed to.
Clauses No. 159 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 160 agreed to.
Clauses No. 162 and No. 163 agreed to.
Clauses No. 164 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 165 and No. 166 agreed to.
Clauses No. 168 to No. 188 agreed to.
Clauses No. 189 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 190 to No. 203 agreed to.
Clauses No. 204 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 205 to No. 208 agreed to.

A Clause (Cost of returning officer in legal proceedings)—(Mr. Ammon),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Conferences of local authorities)—(Mr. Ammon),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Provisions in case of transfer of officers)—(Mr. Ammon),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

First to Eighth Schedules agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Second Reading of the Overseas Trade Guarantees Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — Adjournment. (Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed. No. 135.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows, viz.:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Burnham and District Water) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Slough Water) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Swaffham Water) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Civil Defence Bill, without any Amendment.

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 Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, Mr. Muir : 241.
Tellers for the Mr. Groves, Noes, Mr. Whiteley : 137.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Docking and Nicking of Horses (Prohibition) Bill to prevent the docking and nicking of horses, and importation of docked and nicked horses; and that Sir Ralph Glyn, Mr. Ralph Beacomont, Sir Ernest Bennett, Mr. Stephen Davies, Sir Robert Gower, Sir John Haslam, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Dr. Howitt, Mr. Maxwell, Sir Thomas Moore, Colonel Moore-Brabazon, and Mr. Perkins do prepare and bring it in.

Sir Ralph Glyn accordingly presented a Bill Docking and Nicking of Horses (Prohibition) Bill, to prevent the docking and nicking of horses, and importation of docked and nicked horses; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

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, brought from the Lords and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bethesda) Bill [Lords].
Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bradford) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of July, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, viz.:

Senior Public Elementary Schools Bill (Liverpool) Lords Bill. Standing Orders applicable thereunto not complied with.

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 pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of July, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, viz.:

Senior Public Elementary Schools Bill (Liverpool) Lords Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Stroud District Water Board Bill &c. Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the Insurance of Goods in Great Britain against King's Enemy Risks.

Copy of Draft Agreement for Reinsurance of British Ships against King's Enemy Risks by the Board of Trade.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Walter Womersley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Twenty-second Annual Report of the Ministry of Pensions, from 1st April 1938 to 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and to 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 Clergy National Emergency (Precautions) Measure, 1939, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

No. 135.


PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills [Lords] (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Senior Public Elementary Schools (Liverpool) Bill (Standing Orders applicable thereto not complied with.)

Stroud District Water Board &c. Bill [Lords.]

War Risks Insurance Bill.

Reinsurance of British Ships.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and to be printed.

No. 154.

VoL. 194.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and on re-committal.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 32, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided further that if any person proves to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that his turnover for any year does not exceed £200,000 in respect of armament contracts, then notwithstanding that his receipts for that year in respect of such contracts may exceed such sum, he shall not be deemed to be an armaments manufacturer for the purpose of this Part of this Act."—(Sir Herbert Williams).

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 24, l. 12, by leaving out from the word "thirty-six" to the end of the subsection, and inserting the words "or the year nineteen hundred and thirty-seven,"—(Sir Herbert Williams),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 29, l. 8, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(6) Where any person for the purpose of enabling himself to perform an armament contract has entered into another contract with any other persons for the supply by them to him of unidentifiable materials or things, those other persons may demand proof from the first-named person that the things they have supplied under the contract have in fact been used for the purpose of the armament contract aforesaid, and failing such proof being given by the first-mentioned person, a contract to supply those things shall not be deemed to be an armament contract."—(Captain Strickland.)

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. 32, l. 9, by leaving out from the word "Commissioners" to the word "that," in l. 12.—(Mr. Solicitor-General.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—The House divided.

Tho Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Groves, 122.
Mr. Mothers : 123.

Tellers for the Noes,
Colonel Harvie Watt, 213.
Captain McKewen : 212.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wheat (Amendment) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) (re-committed) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to acquire Heston lands).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 21, to leave out the word " forty-two," and insert the word " forty."—(Mr. Perkins.)

Question proposed, That the word " forty-two " stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 11 agreed to.

First and Second Schedules agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Colonel Llewellin reported from the Committee on British Overseas Airways [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision, amongst other matters, for the establishment of a British Overseas Airways Corporation, and to make further and better provision for the operation of air transport services, it is expedient—

A. To charge on the Consolidated Fund any sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling any guarantee of the redemption or repayment of, and the payment of interest on, any stock issued or temporary loan raised by the Corporation, being stock or loans the aggregate amount of the principal whereof outstanding at any time (exclusive of amounts borrowed for redeeming stock or paying off a loan) does not exceed ten million pounds.

B. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of—

(a) any sums received by way of repayment of sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund for fulfilling any such guarantee as aforesaid or by way of interest thereon; and

(b) any sums paid by the Corporation to the Secretary of State under the said Act.

C. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) grants to the Corporation of such amounts as may be determined by the Secretary of State under the said Act;

(b) such grants as the Secretary of State may agree to make in consideration of undertakings with respect to overseas air transport services entered into with him by any company in which the Corporation has a financial interest and to which a subsidy is payable by the Government of some country other than the United Kingdom in consideration of corresponding undertakings entered into by that company with that Government; and

(o) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in the provision of facilities for the operation of aircraft of the Corporation or of any such company as aforesaid;

Provided that the aggregate amount of the grants to be made under this Resolution in any financial year, when added to the aggregate amount of any subsidies paid in that year under agreements made before the commencement of the said Act in pursuance of section one of the Air Navigation Act, 1936, as amended by the Air Navigation (Financial Provisions) Act, 1938, shall not exceed four million pounds, and no such grant shall be made after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

Resolved, That the Additional Import (Key Industry) Duties (No. 1) Order, 1939, dated the fourth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, made by the Treasury under the Import Duties Act, 1932, a copy of which was presented to this House on the said fourth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)
Resolved. That the statement of the estimated income and expenditure of Greenwich Hospital and of Travers' Foundation for the year 1939, a copy of which was presented to this House on the 8th day of May, 1939, be approved. — (Colonel Llewellin.)

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 House of Commons Members' 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last; and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered. That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the War Risks Insurance Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered. That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Overseas Trade Guarantees Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Mr. Garro Jones, Commander Marden, Mr. Mander, and Sir Annesley Somerville were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the British Overseas Airways Bill.—(Sir James Edmondson.)

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.— (Sir James Edmondson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

Ordered. That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Brecon and Radnor, in the room of the Honourable Ivor Guest, now Lord Winborne, called up to the House of Peers.—(Mr. Grimston.)

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bethesda) Bill [Lords] was read the second time, and ordered to be committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bradford) Bill [Lords];

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Memorandum on the Proposals for Assistance to British Shipping.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Statement relating to the Emergency Hospital Organisation, First Aid Posts and Ambulances.

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Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Draft of a Scheme entitled the Milk Products Marketing Scheme, 1939, and Report of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Secretary of State for Scotland in relation thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) Particulars of all Aliens to whom certificates of Naturalisation from the legislature; and (2) Particulars of cases in which certificates of naturalisation have been revoked during the same period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 170, of Session 1937-38).—(Mr. Peake.)

Sir Cyril Entwistle reported from Standing Committee B: That they had gone through the Highways Protection Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir Lambert Ward reported from Standing Committee A: That they had gone through the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendment thereunto.

The Chairman of Ways and Means further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (North Lindsey Water Board) Bill [Lords]; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Wembley) Bill [Lords]; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Ministry Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Southampton Harbour) Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Falmouth Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Southampton Harbour Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords was received, that they were pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) Passports of Aliens who have, during the year ended the 31st day of December 1938, been registered at the Home Office; (2) Information as to any Aliens who have, during the same period, obtained Acts of Naturalisation from the legislature; and (3) Particulars of cases in which certificates of naturalisation have been revoked during the same period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 170, of Session 1937-38).—(Mr. Peake.)

The Lords have agreed to the Colne Valley Water Bill, without any Amendment.

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The Lords have agreed to the Colne Valley Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
London Government Bill [Lords.]
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London Government Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Stroud District Water Board &c. Bill [Lords.]
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Stroud District Water Board &c. Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

New Member sworn.
Major Sir Jocelyn Morton Lucas, Baronet, Member for the Borough of Portsmouth (South Division), was sworn.

British Shipping (Assistance) Bill, Bill 198.
Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. William Morrison, Captain Crookshank, and Mr. Cross, presented a Bill to make provision for the granting of financial assistance to the owners of ships registered in the United Kingdom and persons qualified to be such owners being persons whose principal place of business is in the United Kingdom; to provide for the creation of a reserve of merchant shipping; 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.

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 'Captain Waterhouse',
Yea,
Mr. Munro:
249.
Tellers for the 'Mr. Grosvenor',
Mr. Maitland:
138.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Navy, Army, and Air Expenditure, 1937.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the surpluses and deficits upon Navy, Army, and Air Grants for the year ended 31st March 1938, and the application of surpluses to meet Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year.—(Captain Margesson.)
Ordered, That the Appropriation Accounts for the Navy, Army, and Air Departments, which were presented upon the 31st January 1939, be referred to the Committee.—(Captain Margesson.)

Finance Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Finance Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Charles Brown.)
And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;
Royal Assent.
A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, G.C.V.O., 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, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.
Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;
Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts as follow:
2. Adoption of Children (Regulation) Act, 1939.
3. Local Government Amendment (Scotland) Act, 1939.
7. Patents and Designs (Limits of Time) Act, 1939.
11. Hall-marking of Foreign Plate Act, 1939.
17. Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
18. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Congleton) Act, 1939.
19. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Margate) Act, 1939.
20. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Matlock) Act, 1939.
22. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Luton Water) Act, 1939.
23. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (South Kent Water) Act, 1939.
27. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Burnham and District Water) Act, 1939.
28. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Slough) Act, 1939.
29. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Swaffham Water) Act, 1939.
3 Geo. VI. 13th July.

30. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Heywood and Middleton Water Board) Act, 1939.
32. South Shields Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
34. Southend-on-Sea Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
35. Sea Fisheries (Tollesbury and West Mersea) Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
37. Oswestry Corporation Act, 1939.
38. Tynemouth Corporation Act, 1939.
40. London County Council (Money) Act, 1939.
41. Southern Railway Act, 1939.
42. Croydon Corporation Act, 1939.
43. Saint Peter's Chapel Stockport Act, 1939.
44. Droitwich Canals (Abandonment) Act, 1939.
45. Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Act, 1939.
46. South Staffordshire Waterworks Act, 1939.
47. Jarrow Corporation Act, 1939.
49. Tiverton Corporation Act, 1939.
50. Sunderland Corporation Act, 1939.
52. Milford Haven and Tenby Water Act, 1939.

Finance Bill.

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And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the (Sir Assheton Pownall, Sir Francis Fremantle)
Yees,
Mr. Raikes : 217.
Mr. Hely-Hutchinson,
Noes,
Mr. Mathers : 112.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Captain Margesson);
The House proceeded to a Division; Sir Assheton Pownall and Sir Francis Fremantle were appointed Tellers for the Ayes, but there being no Members willing to act as Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared the Ayes had it.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

House of Commons Members' Fund.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the making, in certain cases, of grants to, and to the widows of, persons who have been members of the House of Commons, the salary or pension of a member from which deductions are to be made under the said Act shall not be treated for any of the purposes of the Income Tax Acts as reduced by reason of the provisions of the said Act or of deductions made pursuant thereto, and a member shall not be entitled to any allowance, deduction or relief under any provision of the Income Tax Acts by reason of such deductions and his income shall not be regarded as thereby diminished.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

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 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 Milk Industry into consideration the Milk Industry (No. 2) (No. 2 Bill) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Supply. 13th—14th July. 1939.

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.

Senior Public Elementary Schools (Liverpool) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Senior Public Elementary Schools (Liverpool) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Criminal Justice Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Official Secrets Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Agricultural Development Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Agricultural Development Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Supply (17th May) Report.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

War Risks Insurance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the War Risks Insurance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Building Societies (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Water Supply Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Water Supply Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Power of Minister to revise water rates consequent on provisions of Act),—(Sir Archibald Southby),—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Bill; Marks Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 141.]

Friday, 14th July 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Ministry of Health Provisional Order
Confirmation (Bacup) 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.

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The Ministry of Health Provisional Order
Confirmation (North Lindsey Water Board) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order
Confirmation (Wembley) 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.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Civil Majesty's Command,—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1940.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

No. 159.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, par- suant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, of Agriculture Marketing Scheme, 1933.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Macclesfield Corporation Bill [Lords], and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Overseas Trade Guarantees Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Buchan-Hepburn.)

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Overseas Trade Guarantees [Money] proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend the powers of the Board of Trade to give guarantees for the purpose of establishing or encouraging overseas trade; to enable the Board to acquire and dispose of securities guaranteed by them under the said Act or under the Export Guarantees Act, 1939, and for purposes connected with the said Act or under section four of the Export Guarantees Act, 1939, exclusive of any liability in respect of interest on principal moneys so guaranteed shall not exceed sixty million pounds, and, in so far as those guarantees are given in connection with any matter other than the export or an agreement for the export of home-produced goods (including such guarantees as may be treated by virtue of the said Act as such guarantees as aforesaid), shall not exceed six million pounds.

A. to authorise the Treasury to issue from time to time to the Board of Trade out of the Consolidated Fund such sums as may be required to enable the Board to acquire securities (as defined for the purposes of the said Act) guaranteed by them in the exercise of their powers either under the said Act, or under the Export Guarantees Act, 1939; and

B. to authorise the Treasury for the purpose of providing money for making issues under the last preceding paragraph, or for replacing sums so issued, to raise money in any manner in which they are authorised to raise money under and for the purposes of subsection (1) of section one of the War Loan Act, 1919; and

C. to authorise the Treasury for the purpose of raising money for making issues under the last preceding paragraph, or for replacing sums so issued, to raise money in any manner in which they are authorised to raise money under and for the purposes of subsection (1) of section one of the Export Guarantees Act, 1939; and

D. to make provision for certain consequential or incidental matters including, in particular, authority to the Board of Trade to pay into the Exchequer such sums as may be directed by the said Act to so pay, and authority for the issue out of the Exchequer of sums so received into it and their application to the redemption or repayment of debt or, so far as they represent interest, in payment of interest otherwise payable out of the permanent annual charge for the National Debt.—(Mr. Robert Hudson.)

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 upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Milk Industry (No. 2) Bill, (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, by leaving out l. 15 to 17.—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 13th day of this instant July;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Dugdale.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 142.]
Monday, 17th July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Barbados.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from the Speaker of the House of Assembly of Barbados the following Resolutions agreed to by that House:

The House of Assembly of Barbados.
Resolved, nemine contradicente, That Mr. Speaker be requested to inform the Speaker of the House of Commons of the passing of their Resolution of Greetings, and to ask him to communicate it to the Members of the House of Commons.

HAROLD AUSTIN,
Speaker.

Monday, 26th June 1939.

The House of Assembly of Barbados.
Resolved, nemine contradicente, That on this day set apart to commemorate the Tercentenary of the House of Assembly of Barbados, the Speaker and Members with all due respect send their hearty greetings to the Speaker and Members of the House of Commons.

The House of Assembly of Barbados is the third oldest Elective Chamber in the British Empire, and in procedure, parliamentary privilege, and the maintenance of popular liberty the House of Commons has always been their model.

HAROLD AUSTIN,
Speaker.

Monday, 26th June 1939.

Colne Valley Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Colne 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.

West Surrey Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the West Surrey Water Bill [Lords] as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bradford) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary MacDonald, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tenth Annual Report of the Colonial Development Advisory Committee, covering the period 1st April 1938 to 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 14th July 1939, entitled—

(1) the Unemployment Insurance (Banking Industry Special Scheme) (Amendment) Order, 1939;
(2) the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) (Variation and Amendment) Order, 1939.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated Unemployment 14th July 1939, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Benefit) (Recognised or Customary Acts and Holiday) Provisional Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Supply Acts, Draft Order, entitled the Ministry of Supply (Transfer of Powers) (No. 1) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to Debts Clearing Office (Roumania) Amendment Order, 1934.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th June 1939, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Determination of Income) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lords have agreed to the Post Office Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill, without any amendments.

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 agreed to the Post Office Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill, without any amendments.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the Senior Public Schools (Liverpool) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

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 tomorrow.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

Resolved, That, for purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for authorising the Board of Trade, in the event of war and in other circumstances, to undertake the insurance of ships and other goods, for the payment by the Board of Trade, in time of war, of compensation in respect of goods lost or damaged in transit, for requiring persons to insure goods against certain risks in time of war, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment into the Exchequer of the amount by which the sum standing at any time to the credit of either of the funds established under the said Act exceeds the sum which, in the opinion of the Board of Trade and the Treasury, is likely to be required for the making of payments out of that fund; and

(b) the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of the amount of any sum so paid into the Exchequer and the application of that amount in redeeming or paying off debt; and to authorise the Treasury to raise money and to create and issue securities for the purpose of providing for the issue of sums out of the Consolidated Fund to make good any deficiency in either of the said funds.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to War Risks Insurance [Money] proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for authorising the Board of Trade, in the event of war and in other circumstances, to undertake the insurance of ships and other goods, for the payment by the Board of Trade, in time of war, of compensation in respect of goods lost or damaged in transit, for requiring persons to insure goods against certain risks in time of war, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament, or the issue out of the Consolidated Fund, of the amount by which, at any time when a payment falls to be made out of either of the funds established under the said Act, the sum standing to the credit of that fund is less than the sum required for the making of that payment; and

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1937.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Navy, Army and Air Expenditure, 1937.

(In the Committee.)

1. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1938 that the aggregate Expenditure on Navy Services has exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services over the net Expenditure is £172,703 2s. 1d., viz.:

| Total Surpluses | £ 1,773,731 1s. 2d. |
| Total Deficits | £ 3,006,027 18s. 3d. |

Net Surplus - £172,703 2s. 1d.

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 Army Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

1. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Captain Crookshank.)

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Net Surplus - £700,839 14 2

III. Whereas it appears by the Air Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1938 that the aggregate Expenditure on Air Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Air Services over the net Expenditure is £834,579 10s. 6d., viz.:

| Total Surpluses | £1,283,572 10 6 |
| Total Deficits | £ 9,896,993 0 6 |

Net Surplus - £834,579 10s. 6d.
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.

3. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Schedule.

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Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn reported from the Committee on Overseas Trade Guarantees [Money] a Resolution; which was read as followeth:

"That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend the powers of the Board of Trade to give guarantees for the purpose of establishing or encouraging overseas trade; to enable the Board to acquire and dispose of securities guaranteed by them under the said Act or under the Export Guarantees Act, 1939, exclusive of any liability in respect of interest on principal moneys so guaranteed shall not exceed sixty million pounds, and, in so far as those guarantees are given in connection with any other matter than the export or an agreement for the export of home-produced goods (including such guarantees as may be treated by virtue of the said Act as such guarantees as aforesaid), shall not exceed six million pounds.

B. to authorise the Treasury to issue from time to time to the Board of Trade out of the Consolidated Fund such sums as may be required to enable the Board to acquire securities (as defined for the purposes of the said Act) guaranteed by them in the exercise of their powers either under the said Act, or under the Export Guarantees Act, 1939;

C. to authorise the Treasury for the purpose of providing money for making issues under the last preceding paragraph, or for replacing sums so issued, to raise money in any manner in which they are authorised to raise money under and for the purposes of subsection (1) of section one of the War Loan Act, 1919; and

D. to make provision for certain consequential or incidental matters including, in particular, authority to the Board of Trade to pay into the Exchequer such sums as they may be directed by the said Act so to pay, and authority for the issue out of the Exchequer of sums so received into it and their application to the redemption or repayment of debt or, so far as they represent interest, in payment of interest otherwise payable out of the permanent annual charge for the National Debt."

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Overseas Trade Guarantees Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 3 to No. 9 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 13th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the report be received to-morrow.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ministry of Health Second Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bradford) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time Bill [Lords.] to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary MacDonald presented, by His West Indies Majesty's Command, — Copy of Report by (Labour Conditions.) Major G. St. J. Orde Browne, O.B.E., on Labour Conditions in the West Indies.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing, for each of the years 1915-14 to 1919-20 and 1924-25 to 1928-9, (1) the Aggregate Liabilities of the State, the Estimated Assets, and the Exchequer Balances at the close of each year; (2) Cash Issues during each year on account of Interest and Management of the Debt, and for Debt Redemption, and Cash raised by Creation of Debt; (3) Transactions during each year connected with the Capital of the Deadweight Debt; together with relative Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of First Report of the Cinematograph Films Council for the year ended 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the table; and be printed.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the North Lonsdale Regional Planning Scheme (Grange-over-Sands Area).

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 Port Glasgow Burgh and Harbour Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Stirling Burgh Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Newquay and District Water Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hemel Hempstead Water) Bill, with Amendments to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill (changed to House to House Collections Bill), with Amendments to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Bristol Waterworks Bill, with Amendments to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hemel Hempstead Water) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Water Supply Bill, as amended on Consideration, be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, Vol. 194.

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 [Mr. Munro, Mr. Furness]

Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Mr. Charleton]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Agricultural Development Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Provision as to wages).—(Mr. Tom Smith.)

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. John, Mr. Adamson]

Tellers for the [Captain Dugdale, Mr. Munro]

So it passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 12, by leaving out the word "threepence," and inserting the word "fivepence."—(Mr. Thomas Williams).—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "threepence" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"(3) No oats subsidy payment shall be made unless a person authorised by the appropriate Minister certifies that the crop of oats, or the mixed crop, as the case may be, is not unduly small, and has not been prejudicially affected either because of the unsuitability of the land for growing the crop or by negligence in connection with the preparation of the land for the crop or with the sowing, tending or harvesting of the crop, and that no part of the land has been used in that year in a manner calculated to impair the fertility thereof."—(Mr. 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. Groves, Mr. Charleton]

Tellers for the [Mr. Grimston, Mr. Munro]

So it passed in the Negative.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 37, by leaving out the word "fourteen," and inserting the word "twelve."—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "fourteen" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir James Edmondson, Yeas, 190.
Mr. Buchan-Hopburn:]
Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Noes, 132.
Mr. Mothers:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 21, l. 16, by inserting after the word "payments" the words "(not exceeding nine hundred thousand pounds in any year)."—(Mr. Alexander.)

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. 23, l. 3, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"(4) The Scheme may make provision for the encouragement of the sale of fat sheep by dead weight and grade including the making of payments for fat sheep sold differently from the payments for fat sheep sold otherwise."—(Sir Richard Acland.)

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 Percy Harris, Yeas, 127.
Sir Richard Acland:]
Tellers for the [Captain Waterhouse, Noes, 217.
Colonel Kerr:]

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 29, l. 1, by leaving out the words "either by way of grant or."—(Mr. Alexander.)

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 Waterhouse, Yeas, 219.
Captain Dugdale:]
Tellers for the [Mr. Mothers, Noes, 124.
Mr. Anderson:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
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.

Sir James Edmondson reported from the Committee on Navy, Army and Air Expenditure, 1937, several Resolutions; which were, read, as follow:

1. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1938 that the aggregate expenditure on Navy Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services, and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services over the net Expenditure is £172,703 2s. 11d., viz.:

Total Surpluses - £1,292 10 11
Total Deficits - £1,698 16 3

Net Surplus £172,703 2 11

And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

1. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

Schedule of Deficits.

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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.

2. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

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The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

**Ways and Means (17th July) Report.**

Captain **Dugdale** reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 17th day of this instant July a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

### War Risks Insurance.

**War Risks Insurance.**

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for authorising the Board of Trade, in the event of war and in other circumstances, to undertake the insurance of ships and other goods, for the payment by the Board of Trade, in time of war, of compensation in respect of goods lost or damaged in transit, for requiring persons to insure goods against certain risks in time of war, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament, or the issue out of the Consolidated Fund, of the amount by which, at any time when a payment falls to be made out of either of the funds established under the said Act, the sum standing to the credit of that fund is less than the sum required for the making of that payment; and

(b) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of the expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the Board of Trade, except in so far as they are required to be defrayed out of either of the said funds.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Overseas Trade Guarantees Bill, as amended in the Committee.- 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 Mr. Speaker's the Lords, and desire their concurrence (this Certificate. Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

E. A. Frizko, Speaker).

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 War Risks Committee on the War Risks Insurance 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 Ways and Means of the 13th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Shipping (Assistance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hemel Hempstead Water) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Bradford) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and Order committed.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 22nd February 1939, relating to the Additional Import Duties (No. 6) Order, 1939, and the Additional Import Duties (No. 7) Order, 1939.

Captain Crookshank also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 19th July 1939, made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 6) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order, dated 19th July 1939, made under the Finance Act, 1936, entitled the Duties on Articles of Luxuries (No. 32, 1939.) Order, 1939.

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 the year ended 31st December 1938, and of the Fund for Friendly Societies for the year ended 20th November 1938.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom and Roumania regarding Trade and Payments (No. 35, 1939.)

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the Unemployment Insurance (Excluded Persons on board His Majesty's Ships) Provisional Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, Act, 1932, entitled the Dorking Planning Scheme.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement with the Royal Hellenic Government relating to Guarantees in connection with the Export to Greece of Goods Manufactured in the United Kingdom, 12th July 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th July 1939, entitled the Air-Raid Precautions (Compulsory Purchase) Regulations (Scotland), 1939.

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 certain classes of documents existing or accruing in the Ministry of Pensions which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill (changed to House to House Collections Bill) be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had nominated the following Three Members to serve on the Select Committee on the Senior Public Elementary Schools (Liverpool) Bill:

Mr. Ammon, Sir John Mellor, and Mr. Storey.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Anneley Somerville reported from the Select Committee on the British Overseas Airways Bill, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them this day to the House.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the London Bill (Lords), and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (Lords), and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Falmouth) Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to secure improvement in the health and quality of live poultry, and in the marketing of poultry and eggs: for making better provision for securing the marking of preserved eggs, and the enforcement of the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1857 to 1938, as respects imported eggs; for regulating the importation of poultry and eggs; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Merchandise Marks Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to prevent the commission in Great Britain of further acts of violence designed to influence public opinion or Government policy with respect to Irish affairs; and to confer on the Secretary of State extraordinary powers in that behalf; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on 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 [Captain Waterhouse, Yeas, Mr. Munro : ] 227.
Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes, Mr. Charlton : ] 137.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That for the purpose of concluding the Business of Supply for the present Session, Standing Order No. 14 shall have effect as if in paragraph (1) Sixteen days were substituted for Twenty; as if in paragraph (6) the Fifteenth day were substituted for the last day but one of the days so allotted, and as if in paragraph (7) the Sixteenth day were substituted for the Twentieth day so allotted; and that notwithstanding anything in the Standing Order a Friday sitting shall be equivalent to a single sitting on any other day—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr, Yeas, Captain Dugdale : ] 208.
Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes, Mr. Adamson : ] 147.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Shipping (Assistance) 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 realises the necessity for some assistance to enable British shipping to cope with modern conditions, but regrets that such assistance is not accompanied by a measure of public control, and is of opinion that more satisfactory and binding assurances with respect to the reorganisation of the industry and the all-round application of National Maritime Board Agreements with respect to crews and wages are required,"—(Mr. Shinwell),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Munro, Yeas, Mr. Furness : ] 224.
Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Noes, Mr. Mathers : ] 141.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to British Shipping (Assistance) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question put, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the granting of financial assistance to the owners of ships registered in the United Kingdom and persons qualified to be such owners being persons whose principal place of business is in the United Kingdom: to provide for the creation of a reserve of merchant shipping; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient—

1. To provide for the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of subsidies to persons qualified for assistance being owners of such ships as aforesaid in respect of tramp voyages or parts of tramp voyages carried out by such ships, being general trading vessels in any of the years nineteen hundred and forty to nineteen hundred and forty-four inclusive; and of any expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Board of Trade in connection therewith, so however that the sums and expenses so paid in respect of any year shall not exceed two and one-half million pounds;

(b) of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of ship-building grants to persons qualified for assistance in respect of the cost of building general trading vessels to their orders under contracts made after the 31st March, 1945; and of any expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Board of Trade in connection therewith, so however that such sums shall not in the aggregate exceed two and a half million pounds and no sum shall be paid by way of ship-building grant after the 31st March, 1945;

(c) of such sums as may be necessary for the giving of financial assistance to persons qualified for assistance to enable them to operate liner services with such ships as aforesaid in competition with foreign shipping in receipt of official subsidies or assistance; and of any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in connection with such financial assistance, so however that the sums and expenses so paid and the liabilities entered into by the Board in respect of any assistance so given shall not in the aggregate exceed ten million pounds;

(d) of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of any expenditure incurred in connection with the purchase and, where necessary, the putting into repair of vessels purchased for the purpose of creating a reserve of merchant ships, not exceeding in the aggregate two and one-quarter million pounds; and of any sums necessary to defray the cost of maintaining any vessel forming part of that reserve.
II. To provide for the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by way of interest on or repayment of any loans made under sub-paragraph (c) of the last foregoing paragraph of this Resolution or by way of reimbursement in respect of any guarantee or indemnity given under that sub-paragraph.

III. To provide for the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of ship-building loans to persons qualified for financial assistance in respect of the cost of building general trading vessels to their orders under contracts made after the 28th day of March 1939, for the building of such vessels in Great Britain, and to authorise the raising of money and the creation and issue of securities under the War Loan Act, 1919, for the purpose of providing for the issue of such sums, so however that such sums shall not in the aggregate exceed ten million pounds, and no such loan shall be made in respect of any vessel of which the keel was not laid before the expiration of two years from the commencement of the said Act of the present Session.

For the purposes of this Resolution the expression "person qualified for assistance" means any person qualified under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, to own a British ship who has his principal place of business within the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Stanley.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Munro, Mr. Furness] 216.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Charlton, Mr. Adamson] 135.

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 tomorrow.

Mr. Furness reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 13th day of this instant July, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

House of Commons Members' Fund.

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the making, in certain cases, of grants to, and to the widows of, persons who have been members of the House of Commons, the salary or pension of a member from which deductions are to be made under the said Act shall not be treated for any of the purposes of the Income Tax Acts as reduced by reason of the provisions of the said Act or of deductions made pursuant thereto, and a member shall not be entitled to any allowance, deduction or relief, under any provision of the Income Tax Acts by reason of such deductions and his income shall not be regarded as thereby diminished.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the House of Commons Members' Fund Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (The House of Commons Members' Fund).
Sir Assheton Pownall and Sir Francis Fremantle were nominated Tellers for the Ayes, and Mr. Hely-Hutchinson and Mr. Raikes were nominated Tellers for the Noes, and the Tellers having come to the Table, it appeared that one of the Tellers for the Ayes had failed to act as Teller.

Whereupon the Chairman again put the Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Assheton Pownall), (Mr. McCorquodale) : 156.

Tellers for the (Mr. Raikes), (Mr. Hely-Hutchinson) : 47.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Macquisten.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Assheton Pownall), (Sir Francis Fremantle) : 138.

Tellers for the (Mr. Keeling), (Mr. Hely-Hutchinson) : 52.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Assheton Pownall), (Sir Francis Fremantle) : 132.

Tellers for the (Mr. Raikes), (Mr. Hely-Hutchinson) : 47.

Sir Philip Colfox 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, put the Question thereupon forthwith.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Gifford Fox), (Mr. Hely-Hutchinson) : 47.

Tellers for the (Sir Assheton Pownall), (Sir Francis Fremantle) : 131.

Clause No. 2 (Trustees of the Fund).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Assheton Pownall), (Sir Francis Fremantle) : 134.

Tellers for the (Sir Gifford Fox), (Mr. Hely-Hutchinson) : 40.

Clause No. 3 (Supplementary provision).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Mr. Holmes moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Assheton Pownall), (Sir Francis Fremantle) : 134.

Tellers for the (Sir Gifford Fox), (Mr. Hely-Hutchinson) : 39.

Clause No. 4 (Short title).

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the War Risks Insurance Bill; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Mr. Cove, Mr. Magnay, Commander Tufnell, and Mr. Graham White were nominated members of the Select Committee on Senior Public Elementary Schools (Liverpool) Bill. — (Mr. James Stuart.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Highways Protection Bill, 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 Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes before Eight of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

The West Surrey 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.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Falmouth Docks 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 Water Undertakings Bill [Lords.], now pending in Committee of the House of Lords on the Committee of the House of Lords on the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on the Select Committee appointed to join with a Water Undertakings Bill [Lords.], now pending in the House of Lords: That they had considered the Bill; and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Eastern Valleys) Joint Sewerage District Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and
the Deputy Chairman reported that the
Committee had made Progress in the matters
referred; and that he was directed to
move, That the Committee may have leave
to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order made upon the 19th day of this British
instant July, That the British Shipping (Assist-
ance) Bill be committed to a Standing bill,
Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a
Committee of the whole House for Monday
next.—(Captain Margesson.)

Resolved, That the Draft Order entitled the Ministry of
Supply (Transfer of Powers) (No. 1) Supply Act,
Order, 1939, presented to this House on 17th
July, be approved.—(Mr. Burgin.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under-
proposed to be made by the Board of Trade takings Acts,
under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934, on the application of the Musselburgh
Gas Company, which was presented on the
29th day of June and published, be approved.
—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under-
proposed to be made by the Board of Trade takings Acts,
under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934,
the application of the Mayor, Alder-
men and Burgesses of the Borough of Hudders-
field, which was presented on the 29th day of
June and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under-
proposed to be made by the Board of Trade takings Acts,
under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934,
the application of the Corporation of the City of Glasgow, which was presented on the
29th day of June and published, be approved.
—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under-
proposed to be made by the Board of Trade takings Acts,
under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934,
the application of the Mayor, Alder-
men and Burgesses of the Borough of Bridgnorth, which was presented on the 29th day of
June and published, be approved.—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under-
proposed to be made by the Board of Trade takings Acts,
under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934,
the application of the Ashford Urban
District Council, which was presented on the
29th day of June and published, be approved.
—(Mr. Cross.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Under-
proposed to be made by the Board of Trade takings Acts,
under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934,
the application of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, England
Assembly 1919, this House do direct that the Clergy (Powers) (National Emergency Precautions) Measure, 1919,
1939, be presented to His Majesty for Royal
Assent.—(Mr. Denman.)
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Deer and Ground Game (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 Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Colonel Kerr reported from the Committee on British Shipping (Assistance) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the granting of financial assistance to the owners of ships registered in the United Kingdom and persons qualified to be such owners being persons whose principal place of business is in the United Kingdom; to provide for the creation of a reserve of merchant ships; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient—

I. To provide for the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of subsidies to persons qualified for assistance being owners of such ships as aforesaid in respect of tramp voyages or parts of tramp voyages carried out by such ships; being general trading vessels in any of the years nineteen hundred and forty to nineteen hundred and forty-four inclusive; and of any expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Board of Trade in connection therewith, so however that the sums and expenses so paid in respect of any year shall not exceed two and three-quarter million pounds;

(b) of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of ship-building grants to persons qualified for assistance in respect of the cost of building general trading vessels to their orders under contracts made after the 28th day of March, 1939, for the building of such vessels in the United Kingdom, so however that such sums shall not in the aggregate exceed two and a half million pounds and no sum shall be paid by way of ship-building grant after the 31st day of March, 1945;

(c) of such sums as may be necessary for the giving of financial assistance to persons qualified for assistance to enable them to operate liner services with such ships as aforesaid in competition with foreign shipping in receipt of official subsidies or assistance; and of any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in connection with such financial assistance, so however that the sums and expenses so paid and the liabilities entered into by the Board in respect of any assistance so given shall not in the aggregate exceed ten million pounds;

(d) of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of any expenditure incurred in connection with the purchase and, where necessary, the putting into repair of vessels purchased for the purpose of creating a reserve of merchant ships, not exceeding in the aggregate two million pounds; and of any sums necessary to defray the cost of maintaining any vessel forming part of that reserve.

II. To provide for the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by way of interest on or repayment of any loans made under sub-paragraph (c) of the last foregoing paragraph of this Resolution or by way of reimbursement in respect of any guarantee or indemnity given under that sub-paragraph.

III. To provide for the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be necessary for the payment of ship-building loans to persons qualified for financial assistance in respect of the cost of building general trading vessels to their orders under contracts made after the 28th day of March 1939, for the building of such vessels in Great Britain, and to authorise the raising of money and the creation and issue of securities under the War Loan Act, 1919, for the purpose of providing for the issue of such sums, so however that such sums shall not in the aggregate exceed ten million pounds, and no such loan shall be made in respect of any vessel of which the keel was not laid before the expiration of two years from the commencement of the said Act of the present Session.

For the purposes of this Resolution the expression "person qualified for assistance" means any person qualified under the Merchant
Shipping Act, 1894, to own a British ship who has his principal place of business within the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the House of Commons Members' Fund Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the War Risks Insurance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the first three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill.

And the Title was amended as followeth:

A Bill intituled An Act to make provision for the prevention of damage by rabbits; and to amend the law relating to the use of poison and the use of spring traps above ground for the purpose of killing hares or rabbits.

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 Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Shakespeare presented, by His Majesty's Navy (Supplementary Estimates, 1938-39.)

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by Employers' Liability Insurance, of the Auditors of the Accident Offices Association showing, for 1938, the effect of the undertaking given by the Association for the purpose of limiting the charges to employers in respect of Employers' Liability Insurance.

Copy of Trust Deed and directions for Czechoslovakia.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Muirhead presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Certificate of Provisional Order, of Burma, dated 19th June 1939, entitled the Burma Reserved Posts (Civil Medical) Rules, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Poultry Industry Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.
Captain Crooksbank presented a Bill to amend the law with respect to customs in the Isle of Man, and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class III.

Vote 1. Home Office.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £722,561 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the office of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate offices, liquidation expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and contributions towards the expenses of Probation.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £722,461 be granted for the said Service. (Mr. Ridley.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Adamson :
Mr. Grimston :

Tellers for the Noes,

Mr. Munro :

Original Question again proposed.

And it being after Four of the clock and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the 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 Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then four minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Tent, Provisional Regulations, dated 21st July 1939, Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, Aliens Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated (Naturalisation) No. 165.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Budget of the Governor-General of India in Council for 1939-40.—(Colonel Muirhead.)
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

West Surrey Water Bill [Lords].

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the West Surrey Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Solicitors Bill [Lords].

Sir Herbert Williams reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on the Solicitors Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords: That they had considered the Bill; and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

New Member sworn.

Rupert Arnold Brabner, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Hythe, 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 

Captain Waterhouse, 

Mr. Musso; 

Mr. Charter: 255.

Tellers for the 

Mr. Groves, 

Mr. Charleton: 112.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 

Captain Waterhouse, 

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn: 255.

Tellers for the 

Mr. Groves, 

Mr. Charleton: 112.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause No. 1 (Agreements for re-insurance by Board of Trade of certain risks in respect of ships and cargoes).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, at the end, to insert the words,—

“(2) Nothing in any agreement made in pursuance of this section shall preclude the Board of Trade from limiting its liabilities under such agreement if at any time the Board deems it expedient in the public interest to do so.”—(Mr. Shinwell.)
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Power of society to add to advances to members in certain cases).—(Mr. Solicitor-General), was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Requirements with respect to mortgages).—(Mr. John Wilmot.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 25th July 1939:

And the Question being put; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Groves, 68.

Tellers for the Noes, Captain Dugdale, Mr. Munro: 157.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 17, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(5) Where the Minister has approved any corporate body by an order made under this section, a society shall not have power, at any time after the expiration of five years from the date of such order and so long as the order remains unrevoked, to make any advance upon the security of any newly-built dwelling-house not being a certified building.

(6) For the purposes of the last foregoing subsection a dwelling-house shall be deemed to be newly-built if it has not been erected for more than twelve months before the date of application to a society for an advance upon the security of the dwelling-house."—(Miss Wilkinson.)

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. 6, l. 26, by leaving out from the word "reasonable," to the end of the subsection.—(Miss Wilkinson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "and," in l. 29, 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. 7, l. 14, by leaving out from the word "lawful," to the end of l. 24, and inserting the words,—

"(a) for a person having a financial interest in the disposition of any freehold or lease-
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
(Sir James Edmondson, 
Mr. Furness: 
) 127.
Tellers for the 
(Mr. Mathers, 
Noes, 
Mr. Adamson: 
) 52.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
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. 8, 1, 2, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words:

"Provided that where the security to be so taken comprises any freehold or leasehold estate the adequacy of the security shall be assessed by an able practical surveyor or valuer not being a person instructed or employed, in relation to that estate, by or on behalf of any person having a financial interest in the disposition of the estate,"—(Miss Wilkinson.)

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. Mathers, 
Yees, 
Mr. Adamson : 
) 48.
Tellers for the 
(Captain Dugdale, 
Noes, 
Mr. Furness: 
) 116.

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. 9, 1, 18, by inserting, after the word " notice," the words " stating the price at which, and the name and address of the person to whom, the estate has been sold and,"—(Miss Wilkinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The 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 on the British Overseas Airways (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Isle of Man (Customs) 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 Poultry Industry 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 Deer and Ground Game (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 Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) 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 Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the House of Commons Members' Fund Bill, as amended in the Committee of Supply into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the House of Commons Members' Fund Bill, as amended in the Committee of Supply into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the Poultry Industry Bill Industry Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Isle of Man Second Reading of the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day. 

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill (changed to House to House Collections Bill); Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Highways Protection Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Poor Law (Amendment) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 1st day of August next, resolve itself into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill;

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Southampton Harbour Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Agreement relative to the entry of Germany into the European Commission of the Danube; the accession of Germany and Italy to the Sinaia Arrangement of 18th August 1938; and the Amendment of Articles 4 and 23 of that Arrangement, Bucharest, 1st March 1939. [The ratification of His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom was deposited at Bucharest on 27th April 1939.]

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — (Scotland.) Copy of Minute of the Committee on Education in Scotland, dated 12th July 1939, entitled the Education Authorities (Scotland) Grant Regulations Minute, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd June 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefits) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Mairhead presented,—Return to an East India Address to His Majesty, dated the 24th day of (Budget). this instant July, for a Return relative to East India (Budget).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon No. 167, the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Coventry Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the London Passenger Transport Board Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Prevention made by this House to the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Conscription of Wealth Conscriptory Bill (Preparatory Provisions) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time, be resumed 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.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Captain Waterhouse,  
Yea, Mr. Munro : 242.

Tellers for the Mr. Groves,  
Noe, Mr. Mothers : 124.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Avoidance of Corruption

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the avoidance of corruption; and that Mr. Gallacher, Mr. Kirkwood, Mr. Gordon Macdonald, Mr. Balfour, Mr. Ellis Smith, Mr. Tinker, and Mr. Batey do prepare and bring in it.

Mr. Gallacher accordingly presented a Bill to facilitate the avoidance of corruption: 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 British Overseas Airways (re-committed) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Establishment and constitution of Corporation).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words "British Overseas Airways," and insert the words "Air Imperial Routes."—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "of," to insert the words "the Secretary of State for Air."—(Mr. Perkins.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, at the end, to insert the words "but such appointment and the terms thereof shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of State and shall not be for a period longer than five years in any one term of appointment."—(Mr. Garro Jones.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Groves,  
Yea, Mr. Whiteley : 124.

Tellers for the Mr. Grimston,  

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Functions of Corporation).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 40, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Perkins.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 23, after the word "manufacture," to insert the words "for the purposes of repair or replacement only."—(Rear-Admiral Sir Murray Suter.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Employment in connection with Corporation's services of British goods and personnel).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 41, after the second word "Force," to insert the words "Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve."—(Mr. Perkins.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Approval of Secretary of State required to certain activities).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 4, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Simmonds.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Corporation not to manufacture aircraft).

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Sir James Edmondson,  
Yea, Captain McEwen : 241.

Tellers for the Mr. John,  
Noe, Mr. Adamson : 129.

Clause No. 6 (Control exercisable by Secretary of State during currency of grants or guarantees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, to leave out ll. 36 to 39.—(Mr. Garro Jones.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Captain McEwen,  
Yea, Mr. Buchan-Hepburn : 242.

Tellers for the Mr. John,  
Noe, Mr. Mothers : 134.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 7 to No. 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 11 and No. 12 agreed to.

Clauses No. 13 and No. 14 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 15 agreed to.

Clause No. 16 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 17 to No. 21 agreed to.

Clause No. 22 (Accounts and audit).

Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 33, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that such statement of accounts shall include a balance sheet and profit and loss account and particulars as to the salaries and fees (if any) paid to each member of the Corporation."—(Mr. Wilmot.)
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 23 (Annual report and periodical returns).

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 22, after the word "returns," to insert the words,—

"(b) such information with respect to the activities of the Corporation not included in the report made to the Secretary of State under subsection (1) of this section."

—(Mr. Wilmot.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause No. 24 agreed to.

Clause No. 25 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 26 to No. 28 agreed to.

Clause No. 29 and No. 30 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 31 agreed to.

Clause No. 32 (His Majesty's aircraft to have free use and benefit of aerodromes and other facilities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 9, to leave out from the word "aircraft," to the word "the," in l. 10.—(Mr. Perkins.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 33 and No. 34 agreed to.

Clause No. 35 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 36 and No. 37 agreed to.

Clause No. 38 (Continuance of compassionate allowances).

Amendment proposed, in p. 23, l. 8, to leave out from the word "allowance," to the end of l. 9.—(Mr. Mander.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 39 and No. 40 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 41 and No. 42 agreed to.

Clauses No. 43 and No. 44 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 45 agreed to.

A Clause (Collective representation of staff),—(Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Pensions and sickness benefit),—(Mr. Perkins),—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.

First Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 28, l. 25, to leave out paragraph 4.—(Mr. Boothby.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Second and Third Schedules agreed to.

Fourth to Sixth Schedules amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Select Committees and on re-committal, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to War Risks Insurance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the House of Commons Members' Fund Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 8, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that no such deduction shall be made from the salary of any member of the House of Commons who is in receipt of a pension paid from public funds of an amount large enough to disqualify him from the receipt of benefit from the House of Commons Members' Fund."—(Commander Bower.)

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, Commander Bower, 71. Commander Agnew;

Tellers for the Noes, Sir Francis Fremantle, 195. Mr. McCordale.

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. 15, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that the trustees may in special circumstances make payments notwithstanding that the requirements of this paragraph are not complied with."—(Sir Archibald Southby.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 15, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that the trustees may in special circumstances make payments notwithstanding that the requirements of this or the preceding paragraph are not complied with."—(Sir Archibald Southby.)

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 Archibald Southby.],
Yea, [Mr. Erskine Hill :] 68.
Tellers for the [Sir Assheton Pownall.],

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Assheton Pownall.],
Tellers for the [Mr. Raikes.],

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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. —(Captain Margesson.)

Resolved, That the Clearing Office (Roumania) Amendment Order, 1939, dated the thirteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, a copy of which was presented to this House on the seventeenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.—(Mr. Robert Hudson.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the first Three of the Resolutions which, upon the 22nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of May last, and which Resolutions were then postponed.

Army Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

The First Resolution.—That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for expenditure not provided for in the Army Estimates for the year.

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Vote.

2. Territorial Army and Reserve Forces £100 £

was agreed to.

Air Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

The Second Resolution.—That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for expenditure not provided for in the Air Estimates for the year.

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Vote.

7. Reserve and Auxiliary Forces £100 £

was agreed to.

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

The Third Resolution.—That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for expenditure not provided for in the Navy Estimates for the year.

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Vote.

7. Royal Naval Reserves £100 £

was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Supplementary Estimates, 1939.

Vote A. Additional Number of Land Forces

1. Resolved, That an additional number of Land Forces, not exceeding 99,300, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, exclusive of India and Burma, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, beyond the number already provided in the Army Estimates for the year.

2. £100 (Supplementary), for expenditure not provided for in the Army Estimates for the year.

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Air Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

Vote A. Additional Number of Air Forces.

3. Resolved, That an additional number of Air Forces, not exceeding 32,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom, at home and abroad, excluding those on the Indian establishment, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, beyond the number already provided in the Air Estimates for the year.

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Ordered, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Margesson.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House, that 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 Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the British Committee on the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936, and the Wessex Electricity Act, 1919, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, and the Public Works Facilities Act, 1930, to increase the Capital and Borrowing Powers of the Wessex Electricity Company, which was presented on the 6th day of July 1939, be approved.—(Mr. Bernays.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1937, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, and the Public Works Facilities Act, 1930, to increase the capital and borrowing powers of the Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Electric Power Company, which was presented on the 6th day of July 1939, be approved.—(Mr. Bernays.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Charitable Collections (Regulation) Bill (changed to House to House Collections Bill);

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Lords Amendments be now taken into consideration;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 26th July 1939:

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.
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25th—26th July.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill 212.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private County Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Dunbartonshire County Council (Kirkintilloch Street Improvement) Order Confirmation: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private County Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Lanarkshire County Council: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Bill 214, Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to Motherwell confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Electricity Order Confirmation relating to Motherwell and Wishaw Electricity Con defiance Bill 215, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Sir Reginald Dorman Smith presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the proposed Scheme for Barley harvested in the year 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sanitary Convention between the Governments of the United Kingdom and Belgium relating to Uganda and the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented a Bill to Lanarkshire confirm a Provisional Order under the Private County Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Lanarkshire County Council: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Bill 214, Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Sir Reginald Dorman Smith presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty Series of an Act of His Majesty's Government amending the Agreement of 2nd February 1926, regarding Frontier Questions. 3rd November 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Notes exchanged between the Governments of Canada and the United States of America relating to Certificates of Competency or Licences for Piloting Civil Aircasts. Washington, 28th July 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Treaty Series No. 5, 1939, of Reprints of Canadian Treaty Series (No. 9, 1939)."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, Air Force pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 7th July 1939, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order dated 17th January 1939, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (1928), as amended by subsequent Orders.

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 Annual Report regarding State Management Districts under the Licensing Act, 1921, for the year ended 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Maude presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Amendments, dated 6th July 1939, to—

1. the Reserved Posts (Indian Civil Service) Rules, 1938;
2. the Reserved Posts (Indian Police) Rules, 1938;
3. the Reserved Posts (Other Services) Rules, 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 26th July 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (No. 2), 1939.

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 Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Mining Industry (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Falmouth Docks Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

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 were as follows:

Yea, Mr. Foot:

Noes, Captain McEwen:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Noes, 131.

Yeas, 244.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power of Secretary of State to make orders).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, at the beginning, to insert the words "Subject to the provisions of the Schedule to this Act."—(Mr. Foot.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Foot:

Tellers for the Noes, Captain McEwen:

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Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "in his opinion."—(Mr. Pritt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out the word "twenty," and insert the word "five."—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Question proposed, That the word "twenty" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Effect of expulsion orders and prohibition orders).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 42, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that if a person upon whom such a notice has been served objects that there are no grounds, or no sufficient grounds, for the making of the order against him, he may within forty-eight hours of the service of the notice send to the Secretary of State representations in writing stating the reasons for his objection, and upon receiving such representations the Secretary of State shall, unless he considers the reasons to be frivolous, refer the matter for the advice of a person nominated by him (not being an officer of police or of any government department) and the person so nominated shall interview the objector and examine his objection, and shall report to the Secretary of State who shall as soon as may be re-consider the case and either revoke the order or notify the person against whom it was made of his refusal to do so."—(Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 2, after the word "notice," to insert the words "or notice of a registration order."—(Mr. Silverman.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 13, after the word "department," to insert the words "serving
upon the objector at the same time a short statement of the facts upon which the Secretary of State has relied in making the order."—(Mr. Benn.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \(f\) Mr. John, \(\text{Yea}ss\), \(\{\text{Mr. Charleton :}\) \(119\).

Tellers for the \(f\) Mr. James Stuart, \(\text{Noes}ss\), \(\{\text{Mr. Buchan-Hepburn :}\) \(190\).

Proposed words there inserted.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, at the end, to add the words,—

"(3) This section shall have effect only in cases where some other country in which such person can reasonably reside without endangering his liberty is willing to receive him."—(Mr. Benn.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Offences and penalties).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 11, after the word "fails," to insert the words "without reasonable cause."—(Mr. Harvey.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Detention and identification of suspects, and searches).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 5, to leave out the words "or in any other place."—(Mr. Maitland.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 15, to leave out the words "justice of the peace," and insert the words "judge of the High Court."—(Mr. Pritt.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 24, after the word "any," to insert the word "such."—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Question, That the word "such" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 33, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that if a search warrant under this Act has been executed on any premises it shall be the duty of the officer of police who has conducted or directed the search to notify the occupier that the search has taken place, and to supply him with a list of any documents or other objects which have been removed from the premises, and where any documents or other objects have been removed from any other person to supply that person with a list of such documents or other objects."—(Mr. Pritt.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Short title and duration).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 10, to leave out the words "two years," and insert the words "one year."—(Mr. Pritt.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

A Clause (Power to repeal Act).—(Mr. Benn.),—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded British Overseas Airways Bill. to take into consideration the British Overseas Airways Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, and on re-committal.

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.

Captain Waterhouse reported from the Com Supply [25th mittee of Supply of the 29th day of this instant July. Report. several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:


Additional Number of Land Forces. Vote A. Additional Number of Land Forces. 1. That an additional number of Land Forces not exceeding 89,300, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, exclusive of India and Burma, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, beyond the number already provided in the Army Estimates for the year.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for expenditure not provided for in the Army Estimates for the year.

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Additional Number of Air Forces.

3. That an additional number of Air Forces not exceeding 32,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom at home and abroad, excluding those on the Indian establishment, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, beyond the number already provided in the Air Estimates for the year.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for expenditure not provided for in the Air Estimates for the year.

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Air Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

Vote A. Additional Number for the Navy.

Resolved, That an additional number, not exceeding 12,000 Officers, Seamen, Boys and Royal Marines, be employed for the Sea Service, borne on the books of His Majesty's Ships and at the Royal Marine Divisions, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, beyond the number already provided in the Navy Estimates for the year.

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.

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 Isle of Man Committee on the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the British Shipping (Assistance) Bill; and accordingly the House, having continued to sit until three minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
[No. 150.]

Thursday, 27th July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Bootle 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 Macclesfield 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dunbartonshire County Council (Kirkintilloch Street Improvement) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Lanarkshire County Council Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Motherwell and Wishaw Electricity &c. Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Muirhead presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract for British India from 1927-28 to 1936-7. Seventh Number.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd July 1870, made under the War Office Act, 1870, making further changes in the constitution of the Army Council.

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Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd July 1870, made under the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act, 1935, entitled the Autumn Circuit (1939) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Prevention directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Fraud Regulations, dated 26th July 1939, entitled the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Act, 1939.

Copy of Rules, dated 26th July, 1939, made under the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Act, 1939, with respect to Conduct of Business Act, 1939, of Licensed Dealers.

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 Public Particulars of certain classes of Documents, records, or existing or accruing in the Office of the Commissioners of Crown Lands, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copies of Schemes—

(1) for effecting the Unions of (1) the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Manningham, Saint Jude, with a part of the Benefice (being a United Benefice) of Bradford, Christ Church, with Saint Thomas; (2) the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Bradford, Saint Michael and All Angels, with a further part of the said Benefice of Bradford, Christ Church with Saint Thomas; and (2) the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Bradford, Saint Peter, with the remaining part of the said Benefice of Bradford, Christ Church with Saint Thomas, all of which Benefices are situate in the City of Bradford, in the County of York and in the Diocese of Bradford.

(2) for effecting the union of the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Toxteth Park, Saint John the Baptist, and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Toxteth Park, Saint Thomas, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Lancaster and in the Diocese of Liverpool.

(3) for effecting the substitution of the Church of Saint Saviour, Plymouth, for the Church of the Holy Trinity, Plymouth, as the Parish Church of the Parish of the United Benefice of Holy Trinity with Saint Saviour, Plymouth, in the County of Devon and in the Diocese of Exeter.
confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had considered the Order contained in the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bradford) Bill [Lords]; and that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mrs. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message 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 Overseas Trade Guarantees Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Sheffield Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment National made by this House to the National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Cotton Lords to the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed. Bill 216.

Ordered, That this day, notwithstanding Business of anything in Standing Order No. 14, Business the House, other than Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock, and that the Proceedings on the Report of Supply of 26th July may be taken after Eleven of the clock, 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.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply [14th itself into the Committee of Supply. alloted Day.]

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class I.

Vote 4. Treasury and Subordinate Departments.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £276,614 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and other expenses in the Department of His Majesty’s Treasury and Subordinate Departments, the salary of a Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, and the additional salary of the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster as a member of the Cabinet.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again,—(Captain Margesson),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House regrets the refusal of His Majesty’s Government to provide the necessary ways and means for the improvement and extension of old age pensions.—(Mr. Greenwood);—

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word “House,” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “welcomes the announcement that His Majesty’s Government intend to institute without delay a thorough investigation into old age pensions with a view to reaching prompt conclusions, and expresses the hope that without placing undue burdens on the Exchequer some improvements will be found to be practicable,—(Mr. Roulonds),—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 —[Sir Charles Edwards, Yeas, 163.
Mr. Paling ;
Tellers for the —[Captain Margesson, Noes, 356.
Noes, (Colonel Kerr :
So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the —[Colonel Kerr, Yeas, 357.
Mr. Munro ;
Tellers for the —[Sir Charles Edwards, Noes, 164.
Noes, (Mr. Paling ;
So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House welcomes the announcement that His Majesty’s Government intend to institute without delay a thorough investigation into old age pensions with a view to reaching prompt conclusions, and expresses the hope that without placing undue burdens on the Exchequer some improvements will be found to be practicable.

Captain Crookshank reported from the Committee of Supply of the 26th day of this instant July, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1939.

Vote A. Additional Number for the Navy.

That an additional number, not exceeding 12,000 Officers, Seamen, Boys and Royal Marines, be employed for the Sea Service, born on the books of His Majesty’s Ships and at the Royal Marine Divisions, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, beyond the number already provided in the Navy Estimates for the year.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

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The House, according to Order, resolved Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 6 agreed to.

First to Fourth Schedules agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker’s 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.

E. A. FritzRoy, Speaker.

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 Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as Justice Bill, 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 Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poultry Industry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the British Shipping (Assistance) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Friday, 28th July 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Coventry 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 London Passenger Transport Board Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the Southampton Harbour Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bethesda) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bradford) 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 Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Dunbartonshire County Council (Kirkintilloch Street Improvement) 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 Lanarkshire County Council 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 Motherwell and Wishaw Electricity &c. Motherwell 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; Public Petitions. Vide Second Report.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the Unemployment direction of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of the Unemployment Insurance Regulations, dated 4th July 1939, entitled the Unemployed Insurance (Attendance at Authorised Courses) (Amendment) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the Railway direction of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of the Railway Regulation Act, 1895, during the year ended 27th July 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea (for Services other than those voted by Parliament) in the year ended 31st March 1939, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the London Gas Undertakings (Regulations) Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

The Deputy Chairman further reported from the Committee: That they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Major Milner, supported by Sir George Mitcheson, Sir Herbert Williams, Mr. Foot, and Mr. Arthur Henderson, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the Solicitors Act, 1932, relative to the Disciplinary Committee: 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.

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1939.

Class III.

Vote 1. Home Office.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £40,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the office of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate offices, liquidation expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary, contributions towards the expenses of Probation and preparation of plans for a Ministry of Information.

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Whereupon a Message having been brought from the Lords, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and 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 House of Commons Members' Fund Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Milk Industry (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Agricultural Development Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Bill, with any Amendment, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Boots Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Macclesfield Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Medway Conservancy Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Southampton Harbour Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by this House to the Agricultural Development Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by this House to the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords] be taken into consideration forthwith.—(Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee of Supply.

Question again proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £4,000 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 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the office of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate offices, liquidation expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary, contributions towards the expenses of Probation and preparation of plans for a Ministry of Information.

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 Pulteney, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts 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. Finance Act, 1939.
7. Overseas Trade Guarantees Act, 1939.
11. Public Trustee (General Deposit Fund) Act, 1939.
12. Port Glasgow Burgh and Harbour Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
15. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Wembley) Act, 1939.
16. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bacup) Act, 1939.
17. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Falmouth) Act, 1939.
18. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Hemel Hempstead) Act, 1939.
22. West Surrey Water Act, 1939.
23. Falmouth Docks Act, 1939.
27. Midway Conservancy Act, 1939.

Clergy (National Emergency Precautions) Measure, 1939.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £40,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for salaries and expenses of the office of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate offices, liquidation expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary, contribution towards the expenses of Probation and preparation of plans for a Ministry of Information.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again,—(Mr. Grimston),—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 matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then one minute after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

Monday, 31st July 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into con sideration the Amendments made by the Corporation Lords to the Sheffield Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the London Building Acts (Amendment) Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, 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 West Gloucestershire 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.

Mr. Secretary Colsville presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Hamilton Burgh: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

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Mr. Butler, presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Protocol modifying the Anglo-Soviet Agreement of 17th July 1937 for the Limitation of Naval Armament. London, 6th July 1938 [with Notes exchanged regarding the Russian text].

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, presented, by Factories, His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories for 1938.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare also presented, Coroners (Amendment) Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order for the alteration of Coroners' Districts in the county of Bedford.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank, presented, pursuant to Finance Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of further Statement of Conversion Loans guaranteed by the Treasury in pursuance of Section 25 of the Finance Act, 1934, for the purpose of providing for the redemption of existing guaranteed loans.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Air Ministry (Heston and Kenley Aerodromes Extension) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the War Risks Insurance Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the War Risks Insurance Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Leslie Ruthven Pym, Esquire, Member for the New Member County of Monmouth (Monmouth Division), sworn, was sworn.

Ordered, That this day, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 14, 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.)

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 Kerr, Yeas, [Captain Dupplai : 212.
Tellers for the [Mr. Groves, Noes, [Mr. Charleton : 102.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, and Supplementary Estimates, 1939.

Class I.

Vote 6. Privy Seal Office.
1. £22,661 to complete the sum necessary for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Lord Privy Seal.

Class III.

2. £5,319,990 (Supplementary) for air raid precautionary services.

Class V.

Vote 1A. Emergency Hospital, Evacuation and other Services (England and Wales).
3. £8,091,000 for providing for measures in England and Wales to deal with casualties and disease, evacuation of the civil population, and other services, in the event of war.

Vote 14A. Emergency Hospital, Evacuation and other Services (Scotland).
4. £2,239,150 for providing for measures in Scotland to deal with casualties and disease, evacuation of the civil population, and other services, in the event of war.

Class VI.

Vote 18. Roads, &c.
5. £10 (Supplementary) for a grant in aid of the Road Fund, for the maintenance and reconstruction of Menai Bridge; for payments to local authorities in reimbursement of expenses incurred in the collection of motor vehicle duties, &c.; and for the registration of motor vehicles; for the acquisition and holding of stocks of plant and materials for road and bridge repairs; and for other services.

Class VII.

Vote 7B. Reserve of Plant and Building Materials.
6. £1,000,000 for expenditure in connection with the acquisition, storage, preservation and transport of plant and building materials to be held for the repair of buildings damaged by hostile attack.

Class II.

Vote 1. Foreign Office.
7. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £145,156 (including a Supplementary sum of £17,000) 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 1940 for the salaries, and expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £145,056 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Percy Harris.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Percy Harris, Yeas, [Sir Richard Acland : 130.
Tellers for the [Sir James Edmondson, Noes, [Captain McEwen : 266.

And it being after Ten of the clock, the Question put (pursuant to Standing Order No. 14) was put forthwith for the Question necessary to dispose of the Vote under consideration.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

The Chairman then proceeded, pursuant to Questions Standing Order No. 14, to put severally the Questions on Votes outstanding in the several Classes of the Civil Estimates, including Supplementary Estimates, and the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in the Estimates for the Revenue Departments including a Supplementary Estimate, the Navy, Army, and Air, be granted for the Services defined in those Classes and Estimates:—

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class I.

8. That a sum not exceeding £1,953,723 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I of the Civil Estimates, viz:—

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<td>£42,190</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>The Mint</td>
<td>£90</td>
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<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>National Debt Office</td>
<td>£2,751</td>
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<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>National Savings Committee</td>
<td>£74,909</td>
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<tr>
<td>17</td>
<td>Public Record Office</td>
<td>£27,836</td>
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<td>18</td>
<td>Public Works Loan Commission</td>
<td>£20,575</td>
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<td>19</td>
<td>Repayments to the Local Loans Fund</td>
<td>£28,567</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>Royal Commissions, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£20,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>Miscellaneous Expenses</td>
<td>£32,510</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>Secret Service (including a Supplementary sum of £200,000)</td>
<td>£500,000</td>
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<td>23</td>
<td>Treasury Chest Fund</td>
<td>£10,358</td>
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<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td>The Redevelopment Commission</td>
<td>£90</td>
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<td>25</td>
<td>Scottish Office</td>
<td>£153,081</td>
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<td>26</td>
<td>Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund</td>
<td>£7,980</td>
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Total: £1,953,723
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Expense in respect of the Services included in Class IV of the Civil Estimates, viz.:-

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Board of Education</td>
<td>33,742,026</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. British Museum</td>
<td>105,743</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. British Museum (Natural History)</td>
<td>75,460</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Imperial War Museum</td>
<td>8,310</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. London Museum</td>
<td>3,980</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. National Gallery</td>
<td>19,330</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. National Maritime Museum</td>
<td>8,575</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. National Portrait Gallery</td>
<td>6,808</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Wallace Collection</td>
<td>739</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Scientific Investigation, &amp;c.</td>
<td>209,008</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Universities and Colleges, Great Britain</td>
<td>1,966,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Broadcasting</td>
<td>3,015,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13. Public Education</td>
<td>4,874,046</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. National Galleries</td>
<td>7,045</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. National Library</td>
<td>2,987</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£43,851,653</strong></td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Question put, and agreed to.

Class V.

12. That a sum not exceeding £116,604,278 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Civil Estimates, viz.:-

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Ministry of Health (including a Supplementary sum of £946,000)</td>
<td>18,181,789</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Board of Control</td>
<td>101,878</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Registrar-General's Office</td>
<td>65,194</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. National Insurance Audit Department</td>
<td>109,300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Friendly Societies Registry</td>
<td>32,270</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Old Age Pensions</td>
<td>31,817,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Widow's, Orphans' and Old Age Contribution Pensions</td>
<td>13,050,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Ministry of Labour (including a Supplementary sum of £250,000)</td>
<td>14,764,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Grants in respect of Employment Schemes</td>
<td>2,280,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Commissioner for Special Areas (England and Wales)</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Unemployment Assistance Board</td>
<td>29,430,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Special Areas Fund</td>
<td>2,750,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13. Financial Assistance in Special and other Areas</td>
<td>366,124</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£116,604,278</strong></td>
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Question put, and agreed to.

Class VI.

13. That a sum not exceeding £42,142,470 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI of the Civil Estimates, viz.:-

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Board of Trade</td>
<td>238,324</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Mercantile Marine Services</td>
<td>297,382</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Essential Commodities Reserves Fund</td>
<td>1,500,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Department of Overseas Trade</td>
<td>434,794</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Export Credits</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Mines Department of the Board of Trade</td>
<td>161,986</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£42,142,470</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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Question put, and agreed to.

Class VII.

14. That a sum not exceeding £12,981,452 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:-

<table>
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<th>Service</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Home Office (including a Supplementary sum of £40,000)</td>
<td>762,561</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Czechoslovak Refugee Trust Fund</td>
<td>2,500,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Broadmoor Lunatic Asylum</td>
<td>51,892</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>6,502,065</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>739,999</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Approved Schools, &amp;c., England and Wales</td>
<td>454,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. County Courts</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Land Registry</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Public Trustee</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Law Charges</td>
<td>99,987</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>14,255</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£12,981,452</strong></td>
</tr>
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Question put, and agreed to.
### 15. That a sum not exceeding £25,512,185 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VIII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Merchant Seamen’s War Pensions</td>
<td>£185,251</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Ministry of Pensions</td>
<td>£23,377,060</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Royal Irish Constabulary Pensions, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£779,136</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Superannuation and Retired Allowances</td>
<td>£1,187,798</td>
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</table>

Total: £25,512,185

Question put, and agreed to.

### Class IX.

16. That a sum not exceeding £33,820,000 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 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the services included in Class IX of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues, England and Wales</td>
<td>£29,292,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues, Scotland</td>
<td>£4,618,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Total: £33,820,000

Question put, and agreed to.

### Revenue Departments Estimates, 1939.

17. That a sum not exceeding £60,430,250 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz.:

<table>
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<th>Service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Customs and Excise</td>
<td>£4,028,450</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Inland Revenue</td>
<td>£5,717,800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Post Office (including a Supplementary sum of £50,000)</td>
<td>£50,684,000</td>
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Total: £60,430,250

Question put, and agreed to.

### Navy Estimates, 1939.

18. That a sum not exceeding £30,106,700 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 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Educational Services</td>
<td>£231,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Scientific Services</td>
<td>£775,900</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Royal Naval Reserves</td>
<td>£472,700</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£10,426,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section I.—Personnel</td>
<td>£4,026,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section II.—Material</td>
<td>£6,405,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Section III.—Contract Work</td>
<td>£7,385,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. Naval Armaments</td>
<td>£3,054,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Admiralty Office</td>
<td>£1,735,000</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Total: £30,106,700

Question put, and agreed to.
Army Estimates, 1939.

19. That a sum not exceeding £39,120,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz. —

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>3. Medical Services</td>
<td>£1,458,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Educational Establishments</td>
<td>£1,542,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Quartering and Movements</td>
<td>£3,167,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Supplies, Road Transport and Remounts</td>
<td>£9,031,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Clothing</td>
<td>£5,229,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. General Stores</td>
<td>£7,810,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. Warlike Stores</td>
<td>£8,661,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>12. War Office</td>
<td>£1,292,000</td>
</tr>
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</table>

£39,120,000

Question put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(Ordered.

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, the sum of £472,908,146 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Captain Crookshank.)

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.

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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, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) 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 Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as Justice Bill, 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian Industry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the British Shipping Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Sir James Edmondson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Tuesday, 1st August 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

**Folkestone Water Bill [Lords.]**

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Folkestone Water Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee: And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 240 and 262 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.

**London County Council (Improvements) Bill [Lords.]**

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (Improvements) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

A Motion being made, That Standing Orders 240 and 262 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(The Chairman of Ways and Means);

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

**Metropolitan Water Bill [Lords.]**

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Hamilton Burghs Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Guernsey, Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 28th July 1939, regarding a gift of 34 per cent. War Stock for cancellation, which was made to His Majesty's Government by the States of Guernsey.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty's Merchandise Command,—Copy of Report of the Standing Committee set up under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1926, respecting Buckles, Slides, Clasps and Buttons.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, (Scotland.)—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 1st August 1939, entitled the Scottish National Academy of Music (Central Institution Minute, 1939.)—Copy of Act of Sederunt, extending certain Court of Session Acts of Sederunt increasing fees, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Public Health Act, to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, (England.)—Copy of Report of the Standing Committee made under the Shops Acts, by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Palatine of Chester (for the urban district of Cheadle and Gatley).

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 Rules, dated 25th July 1939, entitled the Exeter (Shell-fish) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Copy of Twenty-fifth Annual Report of Lunacy and Mental Deficiency be printed.
Message from the Lords.

Building Societies (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Building Societies (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill, without any Amendment.

Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

Dunbartonshire County Council (Kirkintilloch Street Improvement) Order Confirmation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Dunbartonshire County Council (Kirkintilloch Street Improvement) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Lanarkshire County Council Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordering, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and to be printed.

New Member affirmed.

William 'Glenvil Hall, Esquire, Member for the County of York (West Riding) (Colne Valley Division), made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law.

Mr. William Morrison, supported by Sir John Anderson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Burgin, and Captain Crookshank, presented a Bill to provide for the exercise of certain functions by a Food Defence Minister, to amend the Essential Commodities Reserves Act, 1938, and to provide for the making of payments towards expenses incurred for securing the due functioning in the event of war of essential undertakings concerned with the storage, preservation, treatment or transport of food, forage, or the raw materials thereof; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Secretary Colville, Mr. Ernest Brown, Mr. Stanley, and Captain Crookshank, presented a Bill to provide for the making of loans out of public moneys for the establishment of new industrial undertakings in certain areas where there is severe unemployment: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Sir Ernest Graham-Little, supported by Captain Cazalet, Mr. Robert Morgan, Mr. Wakefield, Sir John Graham Kerr, Sir Antony Somerville, Mr. Harvey, Mr. George Morrison, Miss Rothbone, and Mr. Holmes, presented a Bill to provide for the better regulation and control of persons introducing cinematograph news films; to encourage the wider distribution of such films; to prevent restrictions thereon, whether by trade monopolies or otherwise; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That this day, notwithstanding Business of anything in Standing Order No. 14, Supplementary Estimates for New Services may be considered, and that Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Business of 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 Yeas—

Mr. Mosley. 231.

Mr. Groves. 124.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Pake reported from the Committee of Supply of the 31st day of July last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—


Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, and Supplementary Estimates, 1939.

Class I.

Vote 6. Privy Seal Office.

1. That a sum not exceeding £22,661 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 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Lord Privy Seal.

Class III.


2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £5,319,990 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1940 for air raid precautionary services.

Class V.

Vote 1A. Emergency Hospital, Evacuation and other Services (Scotland).

3. That a sum not exceeding £8,091,000, be granted to His Majesty to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1940 for providing for measures in England and Wales to deal with casualties and disease, evacuation of the civil population, and other services, in the event of war.

Vote 14A. Emergency Hospital, Evacuation and other Services (Scotland).

4. That a sum not exceeding £2,239,150 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge...
which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for providing for measures in Scotland to deal with casualties and disease, evacuation of the civil population, and other services, in the event of war.

Class VI.

Vote 18. Roads, &c.

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 1940 for a grant in aid of the Road Fund; for the maintenance and reconstruction of Menai Bridge; for payments to local authorities in reimbursement of expenses incurred in the collection of motor vehicle duties, &c., and the registration of motor vehicles; for the acquisition and holding of stocks of plant and materials for road and bridge repairs; and for other services.

Class VII.

Vote 7n. Reserve of Plant and Building Materials.

6. That a sum not exceeding £1,000,000 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 1940 for expenditure in connection with the acquisition, storage, preservation and transport of plant and building materials to be held for the repair of buildings damaged by hostile attack.

Class II.

Vote 1. Foreign Office.

7. That a sum not exceeding £145,156 (including a Supplementary sum of £17,000) 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 1940 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Civil Estimates, 1939.

Class I.

8. That a sum not exceeding £1,953,723 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<th>Service</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. House of Lords Offices</td>
<td>29,837</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. House of Commons</td>
<td>313,909</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Registration of Electors</td>
<td>200,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Treasury and Subordinate Departments</td>
<td>276,614</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Privy Council Office</td>
<td>10,358</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Charity Commission</td>
<td>26,267</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Civil Service Commission</td>
<td>7,450</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Exchequer and Audit Department</td>
<td>96,231</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Friendly Societies' Deficiency</td>
<td>4,888</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Government Actuary</td>
<td>20,575</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Government Chemists</td>
<td>57,313</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Government Hospitalian</td>
<td>5,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13. Import Duties Advisory Committee</td>
<td>42,190</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. The Mint</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. National Debt Office</td>
<td>2,751</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16. National Savings Committee</td>
<td>74,906</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

9. That a sum not exceeding £11,958,557 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2. Diplomatic and Consular Services</td>
<td>1,221,772</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. League of Nations</td>
<td>64,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Dominion Office</td>
<td>34,598</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Dominion Services</td>
<td>657,390</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Overseas Settlement</td>
<td>62,360</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Colonial Office</td>
<td>122,923</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Colonial and Middle Eastern Services (including a Supplementary sum</td>
<td>4,597,487</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Colonial Development Fund</td>
<td>500,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. India and Burma Services</td>
<td>4,113,588</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Imperial War Graves Commission</td>
<td>604,306</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

£11,958,557

Class III.

10. That a sum not exceeding £12,981,452 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Home Office (including a Supplementary sum of £40,900)</td>
<td>842,581</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1A. Czecho-Slovak Refugee Trust Fund</td>
<td>1,950,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum</td>
<td>51,892</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>6,502,065</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>739,699</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Approved Schools, &amp;c., England and Wales</td>
<td>454,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. County Courts</td>
<td>90</td>
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<tr>
<td>8. Land Registry</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Public Trustee</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Law Charges</td>
<td>99,887</td>
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<tr>
<td>11. Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>14,555</td>
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Scotland.

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<th>Service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>13. Police</td>
<td>986,482</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. Prisons Department</td>
<td>186,978</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. Approved Schools, &amp;c.</td>
<td>45,473</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16. Scottish Land Court</td>
<td>4,729</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17. Law Charges and Courts of Law</td>
<td>28,297</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18. Register House, Edinburgh</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19. Northern Ireland Services</td>
<td>1,650</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20. Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c., Northern Ireland</td>
<td>2,795</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21. Irish Land Purchase Services</td>
<td>599,637</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

£12,981,452
3 GEO. VI. 1st August.

Class IV.

11. That a sum not exceeding £43,451,653 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

1. Board of Education - £33,742,026
2. British Museum - 105,743
3. British Museum (Natural History) - 75,490
4. Imperial War Museum - 8,310
5. London Museum - 3,980
7. National Maritime Museum - 8,575
8. National Portrait Gallery - 6,908
9. Wallace Collection - 7,336
10. Scientific Investigation, &c. - 209,908
11. Universities and Colleges, Great Britain - 1,366,000
12. Broadcasting - 3,015,000
13. Public Education - 4,874,045
14. National Galleries - 7,045
15. National Library - 2,987

£43,451,653

Class V.

12. That a sum not exceeding £116,604,278 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

1. Ministry of Health (including a Supplementary sum of £494,060) - £18,181,780
2. Board of Control - 191,578
3. Registrar-General’s Office - 65,194
4. National Insurance Audit Department - 109,300
5. Friendly Societies Registry - 32,370
6. Old Age Pensions - 31,817,090
7. Widows’, Orphans’ and Old Age Contributory Pensions - 13,950,090
8. Ministry of Labour (including a Supplementary sum of £250,000) - 14,764,000
9. Grants in respect of Employment Schemes - 2,280,000
10. Commissioner for Special Areas (England and Wales) - 90
11. Unemployment Assistance Board - 2,755,000
12. Special Areas Fund - 270,000
13. Financial Assistance in Special and other Areas - 366,124
14. Department of Health (including a Supplementary sum of £129,090) - 2,730,227
15. Board of Control - 12,450
16. Registrar-General’s Office - 13,966
17. Commissioner for Special Areas - 90

£116,604,278

Class VI.

13. That a sum not exceeding £42,142,470 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

1. Board of Trade - 228,324
2. Mercantile Marine Services - 297,382
3. Essential Commodities Reserve Fund - 1,500,000
4. Department of Overseas Trade - 434,754

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5. Export Credits - £100
6. Mines Department of the Board of Trade - £151,896
7. Office of Commissioners of Crown Lands - 23,694
8. Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (including a Supplementary sum of £125,450) - 2,421,061
9. Beet Sugar Subsidy, Great Britain - 2,985,000
10. Milk (England and Wales) (including a Supplementary sum of £2,654,000) - 2,792,010
11. Livestock Industry and Cattle Fund (including a Supplementary sum of £734,900) - 3,558,400
12. Land Fertility Improvement - 939,000
13. Oats and Barley Subsidy (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) (including a Supplementary sum of £2,144,500) - 2,144,600
14. That a sum not exceeding £8,483,704 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

1. Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain - £271,680
2. Houses of Parliament - 98,615
3. Labour and Health Buildings, Great Britain - 300,380
4. Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain - 92,920
5. Osborne - 8,500
6. Office of Works and Public Buildings - 307,600
7. Public Buildings, Great Britain (including a Supplementary sum of £50,675) - 2,103,301
7a. Jellicoe and Beatty Memorials - 20,830
8. Public Buildings Overseas - 131,100
9. Royal Palaces - 21,995
10. Revenue Buildings - 1,364,255
11. Royal Parks and Pleasure Grounds - 153,380
12. Rates on Government Property - 1,470,223
13. Stationery and Printing - 1,936,020
14. Peterhead Harbour - 21,995
15. Works and Buildings in Ireland - 30,000

£8,483,704

3 £
15. That a sum not exceeding £25,512,185 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VIII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<tr>
<td>1. Merchant Seamen's War Pensions</td>
<td>168,251</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Ministry of Pensions</td>
<td>23,377,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Royal Irish Constabulary Pensions, etc.</td>
<td>779,136</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Superannuation and Retired Allowances</td>
<td>1,187,788</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£25,512,185</strong></td>
</tr>
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16. That a sum not exceeding £233,820,000 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 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the services included in Class IX of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<tr>
<td>1. Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues, England and Wales</td>
<td>29,202,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues, Scotland</td>
<td>4,618,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£33,820,000</strong></td>
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Revenue Departments Estimates, 1939.

17. That a sum not exceeding £60,430,250 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz.:

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<tr>
<td>1. Customs and Excise</td>
<td>4,028,450</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Inland Revenue</td>
<td>5,717,800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Post Office (including a supplementary sum of £20,000)</td>
<td>50,684,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£90,430,250</strong></td>
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Navy Estimates, 1939.

18. That a sum not exceeding £30,106,700 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 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:

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<tr>
<td>5. Educational Services</td>
<td>231,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Scientific Services</td>
<td>775,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Royal Naval Reserves</td>
<td>472,750</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, etc.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section I.—Personnel</td>
<td>10,429,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section II.—Material</td>
<td>6,057,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section III.—Contract Work</td>
<td>7,855,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Naval Armaments</td>
<td>3,054,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Admiralty Office</td>
<td>1,735,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£30,106,700</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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Army Estimates, 1939.

19. That a sum not exceeding £39,120,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz.:

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<tr>
<td>3. Medical Services</td>
<td>1,458,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Educational Establishments</td>
<td>1,542,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Quartering and Movements</td>
<td>3,107,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Supplies, Road Transport and Remounts</td>
<td>9,521,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Clothing</td>
<td>5,728,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. General Stores</td>
<td>7,810,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Warlike Stores</td>
<td>8,681,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. War Office</td>
<td>1,292,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£39,120,000</strong></td>
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Air Estimates, 1939.

20. That a sum not exceeding £25,984,000 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 1940 for Expenditure in respect of the Air Services, viz.:

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<th>Item</th>
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<tr>
<td>2. Quartering, Non-Technical Stores</td>
<td>16,912,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Medical Services</td>
<td>693,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Technical Training and Educational Services</td>
<td>1,518,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Reserve and Auxiliary Forces</td>
<td>4,789,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Meteorological and Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>5,353,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Air Ministry</td>
<td>2,130,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Half-Pay, Pensions, and other Non-Effective Services</td>
<td>587,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£25,984,000</strong></td>
</tr>
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The First Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

And, it being Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker Question put, and the Question being put forthwith the Question necessary to S.O. No. 14,) proceed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14, Mr. Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Question necessary 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;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the 
Sir James Edmondson, Captain Dugdale : 253.
Mr. Mothers, Mr. Adamsen : 135.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions on the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Classes I to IX of the Civil Estimates, the Revenue Departments Estimates, the Navy Estimates, the Army Estimates, and the Air Estimates :—
Civil Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1939.

Class I.
Central Government and Finance.
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 Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class II.
Foreign and Imperial.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class II of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class III.
Home Department (including Air Raid Precautionary Services), Law and Justice.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class III of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class IV.
Education and Broadcasting.
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 Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class V.
Health, Labour and Insurance.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class V of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VI.
Trade, Industry and Transport.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class VI of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VII.
Common Services (Works, Stationery, &c.).
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class VII of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VIII.
Non-effective Charges (Pensions).
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class VIII of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class IX.
Exchequer Contributions to Local Revenues.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class IX of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Revenue Departments Estimates and Supplementary Estimate, 1939.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Revenue Departments Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Navy Estimates, 1939.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Navy Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Army Estimates, 1939.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Air Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Air Estimates, 1939.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Air Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Captain Crookshank reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 31st day of July last, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:
That, towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to His Majesty for the service of the Fund year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, the sum of £472,908,146 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.
The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Consolidated said Resolution: And that the Chairman of Fund Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring it in.

Captain Crookshank accordingly presented a Consolidated Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to War Risks take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the War Risks Insurance Bill.

The Lords Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 12, l. 33, being read a second time, were agreed to.
The Lords Amendment in p. 12, l. 33, leave out from ("for ") to (" and ") in l. 34, and insert (" any of the purposes of this Part of this Act "), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to carry out the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 13, l. 1, leave out from the first (" of ") to end of l. 3, and insert (" for any of the purposes of that Part of this Act "), the remaining Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to carry out the intentions 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.

Resolved, That the Scheme under the Agricultural Development Act, 1939, for the collection of levies from manufacturers of barley products and importers of beer and for enabling barley subsidy payments to be made to growers of barley in respect of barley grown by them in the United Kingdom and harvested by them during the year 1939, a draft of which was presented to this House on the 26th day of July 1939, be approved.—(Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith.)

Resolved, That the Scheme under the Agricultural Marketing Acts, 1931 and 1933, for regulating the marketing of milk products, a draft of which was presented to this House on the 13th day of July 1939, be approved.—(Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith.)

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 Highways Protection Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 3rd day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Poor Law (Amendment) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 3rd day of October next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors (Disciplinary Committee) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 154.]

Wednesday, 2nd August 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.
Mr. Secretary Colville, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twelfth Report of the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments and Constructions of Scotland. Monuments and Constructions in Orkney and Shetland.

Mr. Secretary Colville also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 21st July 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Kirkcaldy Burgh Boundaries) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 28th July 1939, for the measuring and photographing of persons arrested or detained under the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That the Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London Building Acts (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London Building Acts (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising on Friday do adjourn till Tuesday 3rd October; provided that if it is represented to Mr. Speaker by His Majesty's Government that the public interest requires that the House should meet at any earlier time during the Adjournment, and Mr. Speaker is satisfied that the public interest does so require, he may give notice that he is so satisfied, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and the Government Business to be transacted on the day on which the House shall so meet shall, subject to the publication of notice thereof in the Order Paper to be circulated on the day on which the House shall so meet, be such as the Government may appoint, but subject as aforesaid the House shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to the day on which it shall so meet, and any Government Orders of the Day and Government Notices of Motions that may stand on the Order Book for the 3rd day of October or any subsequent day shall be appointed for the day on which the House shall so meet; provided also that in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Chairman of Ways and Means, in his capacity as Deputy Speaker, be authorised to act in his stead for the purposes of this Resolution.—(The Prime Minister).

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in 1, 2, by leaving out the words "Wednesday 3rd October," and inserting the words "Monday 21st August,"—(Mr. Greenwood),—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 (Captain Waterhouse, } 250.

Tellers for the } 132.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Munro, } 245.

Tellers for the } 129.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

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And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Food Second Reading of the Food (Defence) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Loans Second Reading of the Loans Facilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Health (Coal Mine Refuse) 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 Solicitors (Disciplinary Committee) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.

—(Major Milner.)

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 Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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 eleven minutes after One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[No. 155.]

Thursday, 3rd August 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Stanley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement with the Polish Government relating to Guarantees in connection with the Export of Goods from the United Kingdom to Poland, 2nd August 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of Arrangements for the supply of Milk to Nursing and Expectant Mothers and Children under five years of age at reduced rates.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookehank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 1st August 1939, directing the application of moneys received by the Board of Trade in the year ended 31st March 1939, in respect of the rights and interests of the Crown in the Foreshores of the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, (Territorial Army—Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council for the Establishment and Constitution of an Association for the County of West Lothian, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Rules, dated 1st August 1939, County Court entitled the County Court Funds Rules, 1939. (Rules.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this Colonial House, Treasury List of Stocks in respect of the Colonial Stock Act, 1906, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921, for the time being complied with.—(Captain Crookehank.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Folkestone Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Metropolitan Water Board Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Water Undertakings enactments relating to water undertakings; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the British Lords to the British Overseas Airways Bill 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);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of October next.

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Ordered, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 3rd day of October next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

E. A. FrizRoy,
Speaker).
Friday, 4th August 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

CAPTAIN Crookshank presented,—Return to an Order dated the 3rd day of this instant August for a Return relative to Colonial Stock Acts, 1877 to 1934.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 26th July 1939, entitled the Cattle (Import from Eire) (Amendment) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 2nd August 1939, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Crediting of Contributions) (Amendment) Provisonal Regulations, 1939.

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, dated 4th August 1939, entitled the Civil Defence (London Authorities) Order, 1939.

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 Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London Gas Undertakings (Regulations) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Water Undertakings Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of October next; and to be printed.

William Frederick Jackson, Esquire, Member for the County of Brecon and Radnor, was sworn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Captain Margesson);

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Appropriation Act, 1939.
2. Isle of Man (Customs) Act, 1939.
5. Riding Establishments Act, 1939.
11. Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
12. Dunbartonshire County Council (Kirkintilloch Street Improvement) Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
13. Lanarkshire County Council Order Confirmation Act, 1939.
15. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Bethesda) Act, 1939.
17. Metropolitan Water Board Act, 1939.
22. London County Council (Improvement) Act, 1939.

And the Question being again proposed, Adjournment. That this House do now adjourn; And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
3 Geo. VI. 4th—24th August.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Four of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 3rd day of October next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 2nd day of this instant August.

Notice given by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 2nd August.

House of Commons.

I, Edward Algernon FitzRoy, Speaker of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice that I am satisfied, after consulting with His Majesty’s Government, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time than the 3rd day of October.

By virtue, therefore, of the Resolution of the House of Commons of the 2nd day of this instant August, I now give notice that the House shall meet on Thursday the 24th day of August.

Given under my hand this the 22nd day of August, 1939.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

[No. 157.]

Thursday, 24th August 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Deaths of Members.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the deaths of—

Anthony Crommelin Crossley, Esquire, late Member for the County of Lancaster (Stretford Division); and

Lauchlan MacNeill Weir, Esquire, late Member for the County of Stirling and Clackmannan (Clackmannan and Eastern Division);

and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with their relatives.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty’s Command during the Summer Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 93:

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 21st July 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 4) Order, 1939.

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 21st July 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 5) Order, 1939.

Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 21st July 1939, relating to the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 6) Order, 1939.

Copy of Supplementary Convention between Treaty Series His Majesty in respect of the United Kingdom and His Majesty the King of Iceland and Denmark for the amendment of the Extradition Treaty of 31st March 1873. London, 25th October 1938. [Ratifications exchanged at London on 15th June 1939.]

Copy of Convention between His Majesty in Luxembourg respect of the United Kingdom and the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg, amending the Treaty of 24th November 1880, regarding Extradition. Luxembourg, 29th May 1939. [The Convention has not been ratified by His Majesty.]

Copy of Report of the Standing Committee Mikado set up under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1926, Marks Act, 1926, respecting Geographical Globes.

Copy of Report of the Standing Committee on Marks set up under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1926, Marks Act, 1926, respecting Cased Tubes.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to Import Duties Act, directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of Order, dated 11th August 1939, made under the Finance Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 4) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order, dated 15th August 1939, Import Duties made under the Finance Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 6) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order, dated 21st August 1939, Import Duties made under the Finance Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 5) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order, dated 21st August 1939, Import Duties made under the Finance Act, 1932, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 6) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Companies Act, directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of Forty-eighth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade on Companies.

Copy of Rules, dated 24th July 1939, Patents and Designs Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Alkali, &c., directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Works Regulation Seventy-fifth Annual Report on Alkali &c., Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Lindsay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th August 1939, entitled—

(1) the Higher Education Grant Amending Regulations No. 3, 1939;
(2) the Training of Teachers Amending Regulations No. 4, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 25th July 1939, entitled—

(1) the Wheat Commission (Approval of Bye-laws) No. 14 Order, 1939;
(2) the Wheat Commission (Approval of Bye-laws) No. 15 Order, 1939;
(3) the Wheat Commission (Approval of Bye-laws) No. 16 Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Siting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion being made, That the following provisions shall have effect with respect to the Business of this day's Siting:—

A Bill to confer on His Majesty certain powers which it is expedient that His Majesty should be enabled to exercise in the present emergency, and to make further provision for purposes connected with the defence of the realm: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Defence Regulations).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, to leave out the words "Secretary of State," and insert the words "satisfaction of a Judge of the High Court."—(Mr. Harvey.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, to leave out from the word "premises," to the end of l. 16.—(Mr. Harvey.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Harvey.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 7 agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Provisions as to certain Orders in Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 14, to leave out subsection (2), and insert the words:—

"(2) Any such Order in Council as aforesaid shall cease to have effect on the expiration of the period of twenty-eight days beginning with the day on which the Order is made, unless at some time before the expiration of that period it has been approved, with or without modification, by a resolution of both Houses of Parliament, without prejudice, however, to the validity of anything previously done under the Order or to the making of a new Order.

In reckoning any period of twenty-eight days for the purpose of this subsection, no account shall be taken of any time during which Parliament is dissolved or prorogued, or during which Parliament is adjourned for more than four days."—(Mr. Benn.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 9 and No. 10 agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Duration of Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 1, to leave out the words "one year," and insert the words "two months or the duration of any war in which His Majesty may become engaged during the said two months."—(Mr. Mender.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 14, to leave out the word "of," and insert the words "not exceeding."—(Mr. Harvey.)

Question proposed, That the word "of" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Thursday next, provided that if it is represented to Mr. Speaker by His Majesty’s Government that the public interest requires that the House should meet at any earlier time during the Adjournment, and Mr. Speaker is satisfied that the public interest does so require, he may give notice that he is so satisfied, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and the Government Business to be transacted on the day on which the House shall so meet shall be subject to the publication of notice thereof in the Order Paper to be circulated on the day on which the House shall so meet, and such other business as the Government may appoint, but subject as aforesaid the House shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to the day on which the House shall so meet, and any Government Orders of the Day and Government Notices of Motions that may stand on the Order Book for Thursday next or any subsequent day shall be appointed for the day on which the House shall so meet, provided also that in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Chairman of Ways and Means, in his capacity as Deputy Speaker, be authorised to act in his stead for the purposes of this Resolution. (The Prime Minister.)

Notice given by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 24th August.

I, Edward Algernon FitzRoy, Speaker of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice that I am satisfied, after consulting with His Majesty’s Government, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time than the 31st day of August.

By virtue, therefore, of the Resolution of the House of Commons of the 24th day of this instant August, I now give notice that the House shall meet on Tuesday, the 29th day of August.

Given under my hand this 28th day of August 1939.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.
Captain Crookshank, presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Thirty-sixth Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs and Excise for the year ended 31st March 1939, being the Eighty-third Report relating to the Customs and the Eighty-second Report relating to the Excise.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Twenty-fourth Report of the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Wales, for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics of Scotland for 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated—

(1) 31st July 1939, entitled the Wheat Commission (Approval of Bye-laws) No. 17 Order, 1939;
(2) 1st August 1939, entitled the Wheat (Ascertained Average Price) Order, 1939;
(3) 2nd August 1939, entitled the Wheat Commission (Approval of Bye-laws) No. 18 Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Cinematograph News Films (Prevention of Abuses) Bill, be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—

(Captain Margesson);

The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next, provided that it is represented to Mr. Speaker by His Majesty's Government that the public interest requires that the House should meet at any earlier time during the Adjournment, and Mr. Speaker is satisfied that the public interest does so require, he may give notice that he is so satisfied, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and the Government Business to be transacted on the day on which the House shall so meet shall, subject to the publication of notice thereof in the Order Paper to be circulated on the day on which the House shall so meet, be such as the Government may appoint, but subject as aforesaid the House shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to the day on which it shall so meet, and any Government Orders of the Day and Government Notices of Motions that may stand on the Order Book for Tuesday next or any subsequent day shall be appointed for the day on which the House shall so meet, provided also that in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Chairman of Ways and Means, in his capacity as Deputy Speaker, be authorised to act in his stead for the purposes of this Resolution.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—

(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

Notice given by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 29th August.

I, Edward Algernon FitzRoy, Speaker of the House of Commons, do hereby give notice that I am satisfied, after consulting with His Majesty's Government, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time than the 5th day of September.

By virtue, therefore, of the Resolution of the House of Commons of the 29th day of August last, I now give notice that the House shall meet this day at Six of the clock.

Given under my hand this 1st day of September 1939.

E. A. FitzRoy,
Speaker.

[No. 159.]

Friday, 1st September 1939.

The House met at Six of the clock.

Prayers.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:—

Copy of Trade Agreement between Canada and Hayti. Port-au-Prince, 23rd April 1937. [Ratifications exchanged at Port-au-Prince on 30th May 1939.]


Copy of Convention between His Majesty Greece in respect of the United Kingdom and His Majesty the King of the Hellenes regarding Air Transport Services [with Protocol of Signature and Exchange of Notes]. Athens, 30th May 1939. [The Convention has not been ratified by His Majesty.]

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the German Government, August 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 23rd August 1939, entitled the Defence Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Wheat Acts.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 11th August 1939, entitled—

(1) the Wheat Commission (Approval of Byelaws) No. 19 Order, 1939; (2) the Wheat (Exported Goods) (No. 1) Scheme, 1939, Approval Order.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Vote of Credit, 1939.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the amount required to be voted, beyond the ordinary grants of Parliament, towards defraying the expenses which may be incurred during the year ending 31st March 1940, for securing the public safety, the defence of the realm; the maintenance of public order and the efficient prosecution of any war in which His Majesty may be engaged and for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Business of the House (Emergency.)

A Motion being made, That the following provisions shall have effect with respect to the Business of this day's Sitting:—

I. Immediately on the Order of the day for Committee of Supply being read Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair without putting any question and a Resolution in the Committee of Supply for a vote of credit, and a Resolution in the Committee of Ways and Means authorising the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of a sum to make good any amount thereby voted, may be moved without notice, and such Resolution when reported from those Committees respectively may be forthwith considered by the House.

II. Any Bill to which this Order applies may without leave or notice be brought in or presented by a Minister of the Crown forthwith considered and passed through all its stages on the same day, and the requirements of Standing Orders Nos. 64 and 68 and of the practice of the House relating to the imposition of charges upon the people shall be deemed to have been complied with in respect of any provisions of the Bill or of any Amendments thereto moved by a Minister of the Crown which authorise expenditure or the imposition of any such charge.

Immediately after any Bill to which this Order applies has been read a second time it shall be considered in Committee of the whole House.

III. This Order applies to any Bill brought in upon a Resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means under paragraph I of this Order and to any of the following Bills, that is to say:—

A Bill to amend the law with respect to the application and financing of the Exchange Equalisation Account; to make postal orders and certain bank notes temporarily legal tender and to make provision with respect to certain loans granted by the Bank of England.

A Bill to apply prize law to aircraft; to amend and explain the enactments relating to prize; and to provide for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid.

A Bill to amend the Government of India Act, 1935.

A Bill to confer on courts certain powers in relation to remedies in respect of the non-payment of money and the non-performance of obligations (including powers in relation to bankruptcy and winding-up proceedings), and to make provision for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid.

A Bill to amend the law with respect to the conditions of service of members of the armed forces of the Crown.

A Bill to provide for controlling the importation, exportation and carriage coastwise of goods and the shipment of goods as ships' stores; to provide for facilitating the enforcement of the law relating to the matters aforesaid and the law relating to trading with the enemy; and to provide for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid.

A Bill to impose restrictions on certain transactions in respect of ships and aircraft and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid.

A Bill to continue and amend the Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions Acts, 1920 to 1938.

A Bill to modify the rights and liabilities of landlords, tenants and other persons interested in land damaged by war.

A Bill to empower local authorities to make fit for housing purposes buildings damaged by war, and for purposes connected therewith.

A Bill to provide for the repair of buildings used for purposes essential to the welfare of the civil population, and the reinstatement of the plant of undertakings carried on for such purposes, where the buildings or plant are damaged by war.

A Bill to provide for compensation in respect of action taken on behalf of His Majesty in the exercise of certain emergency powers; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid.

A Bill to provide with respect to Regional Commissioners and other persons appointed for the purpose of securing the co-ordination of measures of civil defence.
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A Bill to make provision with respect to Ministers appointed in connection with the prosecution of war.

A Bill to modify the rights and liabilities of persons interested in land in Scotland damaged by war.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Prime Minister, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote of Credit, 1939.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £500,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary grants of Parliament, towards defraying the expenses which may be incurred during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for securing the public safety, the defence of the realm, the maintenance of public order and the efficient prosecution of any war in which His Majesty may be engaged and for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Then the said Resolution was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940, a sum of £500,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Then the said Resolution was agreed to.

The Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the services of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty, and to appropriate the further supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Schedules A and B agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be 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. E. A. FrizcRoy, Speaker.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Captain Crookshank, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to amend the law with respect to the application of a sum of £500,000,000 to be granted to His Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1940 for securing the public safety, the defence of the realm, the maintenance of public order and the efficient prosecution of any war in which His Majesty may be engaged and for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Then the said Resolution was agreed to.

The Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Captain Balfour, and Mr. Hudson, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to apply prize law to aircraft; to amend and explain the enactments relating to
prize; and to provide for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha, supported by Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, Mr. Shakespear, Sir Victor Warrender, and Captain Balfour, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to amend the law with respect to the conditions of service of members of the armed forces of the Crown: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 8 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle 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. Stanley, supported by Captain Crookshank and Mr. Cross, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to provide for controlling the importation, exportation, and carriage coastwise of goods and the shipment of goods as ships' stores; to provide for facilitating the enforcement of the law relating to the matters aforesaid and the law relating to trading with the enemy; and to provide for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 9 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle 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. Stanley, supported by Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, Captain Balfour, and Mr. Cross, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to impose restrictions on certain transactions in respect of ships and aircraft and parts of aircraft; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.
The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.  
(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 13 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle 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. Elliot, supported by Mr. Secretary Coleville and Miss Horsbrugh, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to continue and amend the Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions Acts, 1920 to 1938: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.  
(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 9 agreed to.
First and Second Schedules agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle 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. Attorney-General presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to modify the rights and liabilities of landlords, tenants and other persons interested in land damaged by war: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.  
(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 25 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Elliot, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—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.

Mr. Elliot, supported by Mr. Secretary Coleville and Miss Horsbrugh, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to empower local authorities to make buildings fit for housing purposes buildings damaged by war, and for purposes connected therewith; And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.  
(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 6 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle 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. Elliot, supported by Mr. Secretary Coleville, Mr. Cross, and Miss Horsbrugh, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to provide for the repair of buildings used for purposes essential to the welfare of the civil population, and the reinstatement of the plant of undertakings carried on for such purposes, where the buildings or plant are damaged by war: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.  
(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 7 agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle 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. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Captain Crookshank, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to provide for compensation in respect of action taken on behalf of His Majesty in the exercise of
Regional Commissioners (presented pursuant to Order.) Bill 231.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle 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 Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. — (Mr. Solicitor-General.)

Mr. Secretary Colville, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—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.

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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.

Mr. Secretary Colville, supported by the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland, and Mr. Sevagour Wedderburn, presented, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, a Bill to modify the rights and liabilities of persons interested in land in Scotland damaged by war: And the same was ordered to be printed.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 12 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 Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. — (Mr. Solicitor-General.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 12 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 Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Mortgage Bill.—(Mr. Secretary Colville.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 8 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.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Currency (Defence) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Government of India Act (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Armed Forces (Conditions of Service) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Import, Export and Customs Powers (Defence) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ships and Aircraft (Transfer Restrictions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Landlord and Tenant (War Damage) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Housing (Emergency Powers) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Essential Buildings and Plant (Repair of War Damage) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Compensation (Defence) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Regional Commissioners Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministers of the Crown (Emergency Appointments) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the War Damage to Land (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.


Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several 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. Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 1939.
3. Prize Act, 1939.
6. Armed Forces (Conditions of Service) Act, 1939.
8. Ships and Aircraft (Transfer Restriction) Act, 1939.
9. Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions Act, 1939.
10. Landlord and Tenant (War Damage) Act, 1939.
14. Regional Commissioners Act, 1939.
18. War Damage to Land (Scotland) Act, 1939.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn till Adjournment.

to-morrow at a quarter before Three of the clock.——(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.
Sir Walter Womersley accordingly presented a Bill to make provision as respects certain personal injuries sustained during the period of the present emergency: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.  

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.  

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.  

Ordered, That the Bill be submitted to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.  

(Captain Waterhouse.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the transfer to the Minister of Pensions of powers and duties with respect to pensions and grants vested in certain Naval, Military and Air Force authorities, to amend section nine of the War Pensions (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1918, to make provision for awards in respect of war injuries to, and the detention of, mariners and other seafaring persons and war damage to their effects, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And that Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha, Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Shakespeare, and Sir Walter Womersley do prepare and bring it in.

Sir Walter Womersley accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the transfer to the Minister of Pensions of powers and duties with respect to pensions and grants vested in certain Naval, Military and Air Force authorities, to amend section nine of the War Pensions (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1918, to make provision for awards in respect of war injuries to, and the detention of, mariners and other seafaring persons and war damage to their effects, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.  

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.  

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.  

(Captain Waterhouse.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to national health insurance as respects the period of the present emergency, and to amend the law relating to widows', orphans' and old age contributory pensions as respects that period and as respects provisions against double pensions: And that Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, Mr. Secretary Colville, Mr. Elliot, Captain Crookshank, and Miss Horsbrugh do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Elliot accordingly presented a Bill to amend the law relating to national health insurance as respects the period of the present emergency, and to amend the law relating to widows', orphans' and old age contributory pensions as respects that period and as respects provisions against double pensions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.  

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.  

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.  

(Captain McEwen.)
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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent membership of any of His Majesty’s Forces being a disqualification for membership of the Commons House of Parliament; And that Mr. Attorney-General, the Lord Advocate, and Mr. Solicitor-General do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Attorney-General accordingly presented a Bill to prevent membership of any of His Majesty’s Forces being a disqualification for membership of the Commons House of Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Captain McEwen.)

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 Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Resolved, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn Adjournment.
till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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Sunday, 3rd September 1939.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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 House of Commons (Service in His Majesty’s Forces) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the prolongation of the Royal Marine forces; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Royal Act to provide for the prolongation of the service of men of the Royal Marine forces; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Royal Act to provide for the prolongation of the service of certain men serving in the armed forces of the Crown; to which the Lords desire Bill [Lords.] the concurrence of this House.

The Navy and Marines (Wills) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Royal Marines Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Bill 257.
Mr. Ernest Brown, supported by Mr. Secretary Cobellite, Captain Crookhank, and Mr. Lennox-Boyd, presented a Bill to empower the Minister of Labour in case of war to extend the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1934, to additional classes of persons, and to modify or suspend any of the provisions of the said Act, and to make provision for the payment of allowances in an emergency: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Elliot, supported by Mr. Secretary Cobellite, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to the war service of clerks and deputy clerks of the peace, coroners and persons employed by local and public authorities and certain undertakers, and to prevent persons being disqualified for membership of a local authority by reason of such membership: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Lindsay, presented a Bill to enable war service to be treated as contributory service, and approved for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Cobellite, supported by The Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland, and Mr. Scrymgour, presented a Bill to enable war service to be treated as service under any scheme framed in pursuance of the Education (Scotland) (Superannuation) Acts, 1919 to 1937; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders or practice of this House, any Resolution moved under Standing Order No. 69 in connection with any Bill to which this Order applies may be considered by the House forthwith after it has been reported from a Committee of the whole House.

This Order applies to the following Bills:—

The National Service (Armed Forces) Bill;

The Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

The Pensions (Navy, Army, Air Force and Mercantile Marine) Bill;


(Orders.)

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 National Service (Armed Forces) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for securing and controlling the enlistment of men for service in the armed forces of the Crown; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment of any expenses incurred by the Minister of Labour or by any Secretary of State or other Minister of the Crown in consequence of the passing of the said Act or of the making of any Order in Council thereunder.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith pursuant to Order.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

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 Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to make provision as respects certain personal injuries sustained during the period of the present emergency, it is expedient to authorise the payment of
moneys provided by Parliament of all expenses incurred by the Minister of Pensions in giving effect to a scheme made under the said Act.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.) Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith; and the said Resolution was agreed to.

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 Pensions (Navy, Army, Air Force and Mercantile Marine) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the transfer to the Minister of Pensions of powers and duties with respect to certain pensions and grants, to amend section nine of the War Pensions (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1918, and to make provision for awards in respect of war injuries to and detention of mariners and other seafaring persons and war damage to their effects, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Minister of Pensions under the said Act and any sums to be paid in respect of a pension or other payment awarded by virtue of a scheme under the said Act.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith; and the said Resolution was agreed to.

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 Pensions (Navy, Army, Air Force and Mercantile Marine) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to national health insurance as respects the period of the present emergency, and to amend the law relating to widows', orphans' and old age contributory pensions as respects that period and as respects provisions against double pensions, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase resulting from the operations of the said Act in expenditure which is authorised to be defrayed out of such moneys under or by virtue of the National Health Insurance Acts, 1936 to 1938, the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Acts, 1936 and 1937, or the Old Age Pensions Act, 1936.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Report, this day, received the Report forthwith; and the said Resolution was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Service (Armed Forces) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Proclamations subjecting persons to Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the word "eighteen" and insert the word "twenty".—(Mr. Alexander.)

Question proposed, That the word "eighteen" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 13 agreed to.

Clause No. 14 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 15 to No. 24 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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 Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Allowances and pensions in respect of certain war injuries and war service injuries).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, at the end to insert the words,—  
"Provided that the Minister may, and shall, if so directed by the High Court, state in the form of a special case for the opinion of the High Court any question of law arising out of any such decision."

—(Mr. Foot.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 2 agreed to.
Clause No. 3 (Relief from liability to pay compensation or damages).
Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 22, to leave out the words "or at common law."—(Mr. Foot.)
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Clause agreed to.
Clauses No. 4 to No. 9 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Pensions (Navy, Army, Air Force and Mercantile Marine) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 11 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Pensions (Navy, Army, Air Force and Mercantile Marine) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 11 agreed to.

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 Lords have agreed to the Pensions (Navy, Army, Air Force and Mercantile Marine) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.


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:
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5. House of Commons (Service in His Majesty's Forces) Act, 1939.

Adjournment. 
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—
(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes before Five of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 162.]

Monday, 4th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 3rd September 1939, entitled—

(1) the War Risks (Compulsory Insurance of Commodities) Order, 1939;  
(2) the War Risks (Commodity Insurance) (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 31st August 1939, making and altering Rules of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland.

Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd August 1939, entitled the Ice Cream (Overtime) Regulations, 1939.

Copies of Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Councils of the under-mentioned local authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

(1) Urban District of Beeston and Stapleford;  
(2) Urban District of Castleford;  
(3) Urban District of Crompton;  
(4) Urban District of Spennymoor.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The National Registration 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. Grimston.)

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to National Registration [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.  
(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the establishment of a national register and for the issue of identity cards it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act, and
(b) the payment into the Exchequer of all fees received under regulations made under the said Act with respect to identity cards.

—(Mr. Secretary Coleville.)

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 Trading with the Enemy Bill [Lords] Trading with the Enemy 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.  
(Captain Dugdale.)

Mr. Ernest Brown, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Trading with the Enemy [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.  
(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to impose penalties for trading with the enemy, to make provision as respects the property of the enemy and enemy subjects, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the Board of Trade, and
(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any fees received by any custodian of enemy property appointed under the said Act and of any commission retained by a clearing office by virtue of the said Act.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

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 Unemployment Insurance (Emergency Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Captain Dugdale.)

Mr. Ernest Brown, 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 (Emergency Powers) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to empower the Minister of Labour in case of war to modify or suspend the operation of any of the provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1935 to 1939, and make provision with respect to any of the matters to which the said Acts relate, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums payable under the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1935 to 1939, out of moneys so provided.—(Mr. Ernest Brown.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Local Government Staffs (War Service) [Money] 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.

(Captain Dugdale.)

Mr. Elliot, by His Majesty's Command, Local Government Staffs (War Service) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the purpose of any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to the war service of clerks and deputy clerks of the peace, coroners and persons employed by local and public authorities and certain undertakers, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase resulting from the operation of the said Act in expenditure which is authorised by any enactment to be paid out of moneys so provided.—(Mr. Elliot.)

Resolution to be reported.

The Teachers Superannuation (War Service) [Money] 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.

(Captain McEwen.)

Mr. Secretary Colville, by His Majesty's Command, Teachers Superannuation (War Service) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Board of Education for the purposes of any
Act of the present Session to enable war service to be treated as contributory service, approved external service or qualifying service for the purpose of the Teachers (Superannuation) Acts, 1918 to 1937. —(Mr. Lindsay.)

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 Education (Scotland) (War Service Superannuation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. —(Captain McEwen.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 8 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Royal Marines Bill [Lords.] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. —(Captain McEwen.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Royal Marines Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. —(Captain McEwen.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Military and Air Forces (Prolongation of Service) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. —(Captain McEwen.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Six of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith, and that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Stanley, and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring it in.

Captain Crookshank accordingly presented a Bill to make temporary provision for the exercise of powers, which are exercisable on the recommendation of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, without any such recommendation, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Lindsay reported from the Committee on Teachers Superannuation (War Service) Bill, that it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Board of Education for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to enable war service to be treated as contributory service, approved external service or qualifying service for the purpose of the Teachers (Superannuation) Acts, 1918 to 1937.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Teachers Superannuation (War Service) Bill.

(Captain Crookshank.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, received the Report forthwith, and that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Stanley, and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring it in.

Captain Crookshank accordingly presented a Bill to make temporary provision for the exercise of powers, which are exercisable on the recommendation of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, without any such recommendation, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

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The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Teachers Superannuation (War Service) Bill.

(Captain Crookshank.)

Resolution to be reported.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the 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. Ernest Brown reported from the Committee on Unemployment Assistance (Emergency Powers) [Money], a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to empower the Minister of Labour in case of war to modify or suspend the operation of any of the provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1935 to 1939, and make provision with respect to any of the matters to which the said Acts relate, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums payable under the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1935 to 1939, out of moneys so provided.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Unemployment Insurance (Emergency Powers) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

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.

Mr. Ernest Brown reported from the Committee on Unemployment Assistance (Emergency Powers) [Money], a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to empower the Minister of Labour in case of war to modify or suspend the operation of any of the provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1935 to 1939, and make provision with respect to any of the matters to which the said Acts relate, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums payable under the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1935 to 1939, out of moneys so provided.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Unemployment Assistance (Emergency Powers) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.
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.

Mr. Stanley reported from the Committee on National Registration [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the establishment of a national register and for the issue of identity cards it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any fees received by any custodian of enemy property appointed under the said Act and of any commission retained by a clearing office by virtue of the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved Trading with itself into a Committee on the Trading with the Enemy Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 6 agreed to.

Clauses No. 7 and No. 8 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 9 and No. 10 agreed to.

Clause No. 11 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 12 to No. 17 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Sheriff Bill to amend the provisions of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act, 1907, with regard to leave of absence to salaried sheriffs substitute; and that Mr. Secretary Coleville, The Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland, and Mr. Scrymgeour Waddelburn do prepare and bring it in.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Sheriff Courts Bill to amend the provisions of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act, 1907, with regard to leave of absence to salaried sheriffs substitute; and the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Captain Dugdale.)
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make temporary provision for the performance by other Commissioners or persons of any functions of the General Commissioners, the Additional Commissioners, or the Assessor for any division, area or parish; and that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring it in.

Captain Crookshank accordingly presented a Bill to make temporary provision for the performance by other Commissioners or persons of any functions of the General Commissioners, the Additional Commissioners, or the Assessor for any division, area or parish: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Captain McEwen.)

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 Education (Scotland) (War Service Superannuation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Teachers Superannuation (War Service) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Staffs (War Service) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Unemployment Insurance (Emergency Powers) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Unemployment Assistance (Emergency Powers) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the National Registration Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Trading with the Enemy Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make temporary provision for rendering inscribed stocks transferable by instrument in writing, and for extending, in certain circumstances arising from war, the time limited by the National Debt Act, 1870, for the payment of coupons; and that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring it in.

Captain Crookshank accordingly presented a Bill to make temporary provision for rendering inscribed stocks transferable by instrument in writing, and for extending, in certain circumstances arising from war, the time limited by the National Debt Act, 1870, for the payment of coupons: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Captain McEwen.)

A Motion was made, and the Question Exchequer proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise issues and transfers from the (Temporary Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom Provisions.) without the grant of credits by the Comptroller and Auditor General, and to suspend the necessity for the counter-signature by or on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General to warrants authorising the issue of Treasury Bills.—(Captain Crookshank.)

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to several Acts therein mentioned: and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

2. Royal Marines Act, 1939.
3. Trading with the Enemy Act, 1939.
10. Education (Scotland) (War Service Superannuation) Act, 1939.

And the Question being again proposed, Exchequer that leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise issues and transfers from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom without the grant of credits by the Comptroller and Auditor General, and to suspend the necessity for the counter-signature by or on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General to warrants authorising the issue of Treasury Bills.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to authorise issues and transfers from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom without the grants of credits by the Comptroller and Auditor General, and to suspend the necessity for the counter-signature by or on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General to warrants authorising the issue of Treasury Bills: 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 confer on the Minister of Labour powers with respect to the control of employment during the present emergency; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid; and that Mr. Ernest Brown, Mr. William Morrison, Mr. Burgin, Mr. Attorney-General, Captain Crookshank, and Mr. Lennox-Boyd do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer on the Minister of Labour powers with respect to the control of employment during the present emergency; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid; and that Mr. Ernest Brown, Mr. William Morrison, Mr. Burgin, Mr. Attorney-General, Captain Crookshank, and Mr. Lennox-Boyd do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Ernest Brown accordingly presented a Bill to confer on the Minister of Labour powers with respect to the control of employment during the present emergency; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid; And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Ker.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 164.]

Wednesday, 6th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

CAPTAIN Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 6th September 1939, relative to the fiduciary note issue. 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 Mr. Attorney-General, to inform the House of the 5th day of this instant September, relative to the fiduciary note issue.

Liability for War Damage (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to modify certain rights and liabilities with respect to goods lost or damaged by war; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Liability for War Damage (Miscellaneous Liability for Provisions) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Police and Firemen (War Service) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 5th day of this instant September, immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Certificate, Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker).

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Income Tax Procedure (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Certificate, Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

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E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker).

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Income Tax Procedure (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government and other Stocks (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Exchequer and Audit Departments (Temporary Provisions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Grimston.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Control of Employment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Food 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 Food Second Reading of the Food (Defence) Bill; (Defence) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the British Committee on the British Shipping (Assistance) Bill; (Assistance) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma Bill; (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Justice 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poultry Industry 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 Loans Facilities Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Water Undertakings Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Grinstein.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute after Four of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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[No. 165.]

Thursday, 7th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 1st September 1939, entitled—
(1) the Defence Regulations (Ile of Man), 1939;  
(2) the Defence (Finance) Regulations (Ile of Man), 1939.

Copies of Charters of Incorporation creating the boroughs of—
(1) Barry;  
(2) Farnworth.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Copies of Regulations, dated 6th September 1939, entitled—
(1) the Unemployment Assistance (Prevention and Relief of Distress) Regulations, 1939;  
(2) the Unemployment Assistance (Issue of Allowances and Appeal Tribunals) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme, dated 4th September 1939, varying the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme, 1938.

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Copy of Order, dated 28th August 1939, authorising the landing at Plymouth, Devon, of two Arabian sheep, consigned to Zoological Gardens, Manchester, and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto (Order No. 5, 863).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, entitled the Wood Green Planning Scheme.

Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government (Superannuation) Acts, by the Administrative County of the North Riding of Yorkshire.

Copy of Regulations, dated 1st August 1939, made under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, entitled the Public Analysts Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, supported by Mr. Attorney-General, presented a Bill to provide, in connection with the present emergency, for amending the Universities and College Estates Act, 1925, and for extending the powers of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge and the colleges therein to make statutes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Secretary Sir John Anderson, supported by Mr. Peake, presented a Bill to provide for the modification of the law relating to the administration of justice in Northern Ireland as respects the period of the present emergency and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Solicitor-General and Major Lloyd George, presented a Bill to make such special provision with respect to patents, registered designs, copyright and trade marks, as is expedient to meet any emergency which may arise as a result of war: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That for the remainder of the Session whenever the House stands adjourned and it is represented to Mr. Speaker by His Majesty's Government that the public interest requires that the House should meet at any earlier time during the Adjournment, and Mr. Speaker is satisfied that the public interest does so require, he may give notice that he is so satisfied, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and the Government Business to be transacted on the day on which the House shall so meet shall, subject to the publication of notice thereof in the Order Paper to be circulated on the day on which the House shall so meet, be such as the Government may appoint, but subject as aforesaid the House shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to the day on which it shall so meet, and any Government Orders of the Day and Government Notices of Motions that may stand on the Order Book for any day shall be appointed for the day on
which the House shall so meet: provided also that in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Chairman of Ways and Means, in his capacity as Deputy Speaker, be authorised to act in his stead for the purposes of this Resolution.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Liability for War Damage (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.

—(Mr. Grimston.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 6 to No. 8 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 now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Resolved, That the Additional Import Duties (No. 6) Order, 1939, dated the nineteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

Resolved, That the Additional Import Duties (No. 7) Order, 1939, dated the nineteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Income Tax Procedure (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Sheriffs Courts (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Treasury and other Stocks (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Exchequer and Audit Departments (Temporary Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Liability for War Damage (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Another Clause (Relief of firemen from suspension of pensions),—(Mr. Peake),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

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 now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

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—(Mr. Stanley.)

Resolved, That the Additional Import Duties (No. 7) Order, 1939, dated the nineteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, be approved.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

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; the said Acts as follow:

2. Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act, 1939.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn till Wednesday next.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes after Five of the clock, adjourned till Wednesday next.

[No. 166.]

Wednesday, 13th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Army.

Mr. Secretary Hore-Belisha presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Army Council, with the consent of the Treasury, regarding the prices to be paid for billeting in emergency under the Army Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Copy of Order in Council, dated 31st August Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland.

Copies of Orders made by the Councils of Shops Acts, the under-mentioned local authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

(1) County Borough of Bootle;
(2) Borough of Wood Green.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the London Traffic Act, 1924.

Copies of Regulations:
(1) dated 26th July 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 37) (Crayford) Regulations, 1939;
(2) dated 2nd August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 38) (Chiswick) Regulations, 1939;
(3) dated 5th August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prohibition of Slow Moving Vehicles) (Blackwall Tunnel) Regulations, 1939;
(4) dated 10th August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 39) (Leyton) Regulations, 1939;
(5) dated 19th August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Parking Places) (Amendment) No. 4 Regulations, 1939;
(6) dated 24th August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Parking Places) (Amendment) No. 5 Regulations, 1939;
(7) dated 29th August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 41) (Croydon) Regulations, 1939;
(8) dated 31st August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 43) (Netheerton Road, Tottenham) Regulations, 1939.


Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated Road and Rail Traffic Act (Exemption) (Amendment) Provisional Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, Air Force Pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 1st September 1939, providing for the revision of the
Air Force (Auxiliary.)

Order, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burgin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order, entitled the Ministry of Supply (Transfer of Powers) (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Order, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 8th September 1939, authorising the landing of one pedigree ram from New Zealand, and prescribing Regulations in relation thereto (Order No. 5,865).

Order, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd September 1939, entitled the Clergy (National Emergency Precautions) Regulations, 1939.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Mangesson)—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Control of Employment Bill;

Order, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Universities and Colleges (Emergency Provisions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Order, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Sir James Edmondson.)

The Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Order, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Sir James Edmondson.)

The Patents, Designs, Copyright and Trade Marks (Emergency) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Order, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Sir James Edmondson.)

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment, (Sir James Edmondson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Nine 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 Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment, (Sir James Edmondson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Control of Employment Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the 'Sir James Edmondson, Yeas, Mr. Munro : 223. Tellers for the 'Mr. McTavish, Noes, Mr. Stephen : 1. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Captain Waterhouse).

Mr. Ernest Brown, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Control of Employment [Money] proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 69, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 69, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)
Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to confer on the Minister of Labour powers with respect to the control of employment during the present emergency, and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the said Minister.—(Mr. Ernest Brown.)

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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Administration of Justice (Emergency Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 12 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Patents, Designs, Copyright and Trade Marks (Emergency) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.
Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.
Clause No. 5 agreed to.
Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 7 to No. 11 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.
The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Universities and Colleges (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.
Clauses No. 5 and No. 6 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 7 and No. 8 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.
The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That the Draft Order entitled the Ministry of Supply Act, (No. 2) Supply Act, 1939, presented to this House on 13th September, be approved.—(Mr. Burgin.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 168.]

Friday, 15th September 1939.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Sir Walter Womersley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Scheme, dated 14th September 1939, entitled the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Amendment to Rules of Procedure (Air Force), 1933.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Munro reported from the Committee on Control of Employment [Money] a Resolution which was read as followeth:—That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to confer on the Minister of Labour powers with respect to the control of employment during the present emergency, and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses incurred for the purposes of the said Act by the said Minister.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Control of Employment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 5 to No. 9 agreed to.

A Clause (Saving for engagements effected in accordance with trade union arrangements),—(Mr. Grenfell),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Title amended.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title as followeth: A Bill to confer on the Minister of Labour and National Service powers with respect to the control of employment during the present emergency; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes after Twelve of the clock, adjourned till Wednesday next. (Captain Waterhouse.)

[No. 169.]

Wednesday, 20th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Harry Day, Esquire, late Member for the Borough of Southwark (Central Division), and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

The following Paper, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Adjournment, was delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 96:—

Copy of Royal Warrant, dated 15th September 1939, for the retired pay and pensions, &c., of members of the Military Forces disabled, and of the widows, children, and dependants of such members deceased, in consequence of the present war.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's German Command, a Copy of documents concerning Polish-German Relations and the outbreak of Tensions, &c., of members of the Military Forces disabled, and of the widows, children, and dependants of such members deceased, in consequence of the present war.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the Unemployment Insurance (Emergency Industry Special Scheme) (Variation) Order, 1939, 1939.
Copy of Provisional Rules, dated 14th September 1939, entitled the Unemployment Assistance (Appeal Tribunals) (Amendment) Provisional Rules, 1939.

Trade Boards Acts.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th September 1939, entitled the Trade Boards (Rubber Reclamation Trade, Great Britain) (Constitution and Proceedings) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council—

(1) dated 1st September 1939, amending the Defence Regulations, 1939;

(2) dated 2nd September 1939, amending the Defence Regulations (Isle of Man), 1939; and

(3) dated 4th September 1939, entitled the Defence (Finance) Regulations (Isle of Man) Amendment Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Nurses Registration Act, 1919.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to the Rules of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

London Traffic Act, 1924.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th August 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 42) (Lower Morden Lane) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Housing (Scotland) Act, 1919.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order, dated 4th August 1939, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest on Expenses of Execution of Works) Amendment Order (Scotland), 1939.

Mr. Secretary Coleville also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 9th August 1939, entitled the Marriage Notice Amendment Rules (Scotland), 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Marriage Notice (Scotland) Act, 1878.

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th August 1939, entitled the Poor Relief Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1939.

Poor Law (Scotland) Act, 1934.

Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd September 1939, entitled the Town and Country Planning Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act, 1932.

Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1929.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Copy of Order in Council, dated 25th July 1939, entitled the Air Navigation (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Copy of Orders in Council, dated 25th July 1939, entitled—

(1) the Palestinian Citizenship (Amendment) Order, 1939;

(2) the Muscat Order in Council, 1939; and

(3) the Tanganyika Order in Council, 1939.

Copies of five Orders in Council, dated 25th Forestry July 1939, relating to the transfer of lands from the Commissioners of Crown Lands.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper was, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account showing Receipts and Expenditure under the Petroleum (Production) Act, 1934 (Production) for the year ended 31st March 1939, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn. — (Captain Margesson) — The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Possession of Mortgaged Land (Emergency Provisions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. — (Colonel Harvie Watt.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments therein, and had amended the Title as followeth : A Bill to restrict the rights of mortgagees to obtain possession of mortgaged land, and to amend the Courts (Emergency Powers) Act, 1939.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — Adjournment. (Colonel Harvie Watt.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes after Seven 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.

SECRETARY Sir John Anderson presented pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 5th September 1939, authorising the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, as President of the Board of Trade, to make Regulations, entitled the Defence (Finance) Regulations Amendment Order, 1939.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 1st September 1939, making Regulations, entitled the Defence (Savings Banks) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 5th September 1939, declaring that the Government of Chile has acceded to the Safety Convention.

Copies of three Orders in Council, dated 1st and 5th September 1939, approving Admiralty Memorials under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 5th September 1939, entitled—

1. the Persian Gulf States (Emergency) Order in Council, 1939;
2. the China (Emergency) Order in Council, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

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 its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Adjournment, day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson);

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assent, General Sir William Pulteney, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned:

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:


And the Question being again proposed, Adjournment. That this House do now adjourn:—And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.
Tuesday, 26th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Fred Brown Simpson, Esquire, late Member for the Borough of Ashton-under-Lyne, and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

Sir Walter Womersley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Order, dated 22nd September 1939, for the Widows, Children and Dependents of Members deceased in consequence of the present war.

No. 176. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Order, dated 22nd September 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (General Exceptions) Order 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Order in Council, dated 2nd September 1939, entitled the Housing (Repair of War Damage) Regulations (Scotland), 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of Annual Reports, for the year ended 31st March 1939—

(1) of the Railway Assessment Authority;
(2) of the Anglo-Scottish Railways Assessment Authority.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Wednesday, 27th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Derby (High Peak Division), in the room of Sir Alfred Law, deceased.—(Captain Margesson.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Stirling and Clackmannan (Clackmannan and Eastern Division), in the room of Lauchlan MacNeill Weir, Esquire, deceased.—(Sir Charles Edwards.)

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Shops Acts, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the undermentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County Borough of Sunderland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Acts by Acts. the Moray and Nairn Joint County Council and the County Councils of Moray and Nairn.

Copy of Regulations, dated 5th September 1939, entitled the Housing (Repair of War Damage) Regulations (Scotland), 1939.

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd August 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1939.

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd August 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the Weights and Measures Acts. Report by the Board of Trade on their Proceedings and Business under the Weights and Measures Acts, during 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Revised Majesty's Command—Copy of Tables illustrating the Income Tax payable under the proposals made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on 27th September 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Revised Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1939-40.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Captain Crookshank accordingly presented the said Paper.

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Expenditure for the year 1939-40.—(Captain Crookshank.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and 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.

(In the Committee.)

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Beer (Excise Duty and Drawback).

1. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine—

(a) there shall be charged in respect of beer brewed in the United Kingdom, in lieu of the duty of excise therefor, payable in respect thereof, a duty of excise at the following rates—

For every 36 gallons of £ s. d.

worts of a specific gravity of 1,027 degrees or less - 2 8 0

For every 36 gallons of worts of a specific gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees—

For the first 1,027 degrees - 2 8 0

For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons;

(b) no rebate shall be allowed from any duty of excise for the time being chargeable in respect of beer to which this Resolution applies;

(c) on the exportation from the United Kingdom as merchandise, or for use as ships’ stores, of beer in respect of which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise that the duty of excise chargeable under this Resolution has been paid, there shall be allowed (in addition to any duty of customs chargeable under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other duty of customs) a duty of customs at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons, where £ s. d. the worts thereof were, before fermentation, of a specific gravity of 1,027 degrees or less—

In the case of beer being an Empire product 2 8 5

In the case of beer not being an Empire product 3 8 5

For every 36 gallons, where the worts thereof were, before fermentation, of a specific gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees—

In the case of beer being an Empire product—

For the first 1,027 degrees - 2 8 5

For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

In the case of beer not being an Empire product—

For the first 1,027 degrees - 3 8 5

For every degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons;

(b) no rebate shall be allowed from any duty of customs for the time being chargeable in respect of beer to which this Resolution applies;

(c) on the exportation from the United Kingdom as merchandise, or for use as ships’ stores, of beer in respect of which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise that the duty of customs chargeable under this Resolution has been paid, there shall be allowed (in addition to any duty of customs chargeable under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other duty of customs) a duty of customs at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons of beer £ s. d.

of an original gravity of 1,427 degrees or less 2 8 2

For every 36 gallons of beer of an original gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees—

For the first 1,027 degrees - 2 8 2

For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons;

Provided that—

(i) nothing in this Resolution shall apply to beer of any description specified in subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1930; and

(ii) as respects beer of an original gravity of less than 1,027 degrees, the amount of drawback allowable shall not exceed by more than twopence for every thirty-six gallons the amount of duty which is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been paid.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Beer (Customs Duty and Drawback).

2. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine—

(a) there shall be charged in respect of beer imported into the United Kingdom (in addition to any duty of customs chargeable in respect thereof under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other duty of customs) a duty of customs at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons, where £ s. d.

being an Empire product 2 8 5

being an Empire product 3 8 5

For every 36 gallons, where the worts thereof were, before fermentation, of a specific gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees—

In the case of beer

being an Empire product—

For the first 1,027 degrees - 2 8 5

For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

In the case of beer not

being an Empire product—

For the first 1,027 degrees - 3 8 5

For every degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons;

(b) no rebate shall be allowed from any duty of customs for the time being chargeable in respect of beer to which this Resolution applies;

(c) on the exportation from the United Kingdom as merchandise, or for use as ships’ stores, of beer in respect of which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise that the duty of customs chargeable under this Resolution has been paid, there shall be allowed (in addition to any duty of customs chargeable under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other duty of customs) a duty of customs at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons of beer £ s. d.

of a specific gravity of 1,027 degrees or less 2 8 0

For every 36 gallons of worts of a specific gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees—

For the first 1,027 degrees - 2 8 0

For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons;
Resolution has been paid, there shall be allowed (in addition to the drawback allowable under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other customs drawback) a customs drawback at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons, where £ s. d.
the worts thereof were, before fermentation, of a specific gravity of 1,027 degrees or less—

In the case of beer being an Empire product 2 8 2
In the case of beer not being an Empire product 3 8 2

For every 36 gallons, where the worts thereof were, before fermentation, of a specific gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees—

In the case of beer being an Empire product—
For the first 1,027 degrees - - - 2 8 2
For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - - 0 2 0
In the case of beer not being an Empire product—
For the first 1,027 degrees - - - 3 8 2
For every degree in excess of 1,027 degrees 0 2 0
and so in proportion for any less number of gallons:

Provided that—
(i) nothing in this Resolution shall apply to beer of any description specified in subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1930; and

(ii) as respects beer of an original gravity of less than 1,027 degrees the amount of drawback allowable shall not exceed the amount of duty which is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been paid, less threepence for every thirty-six gallons.

And it is hereby 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.)

Spirits (Excise Duty).

3. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rate of the duty on excise charged on spirits by subsection (2) of section three of the Finance Act, 1920, in addition to the duties specified in Part III of the First Schedule to that Act shall be increased to four pounds two shillings and sixpence.

And it is hereby 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.)

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Spirits (Customs Duty).

4. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of customs charged on spirits of the descriptions set out in the first column of the following Table by subsection (1) of section three of the Finance Act, 1920, in addition to the duties specified in Part II of the First Schedule to that Act shall—

(a) in the case of spirits being Empire products, be charged at the increased rates shown in the second column of that Table; and

(b) in the case of spirits not being Empire products, be charged at the increased rates shown in the third column of that Table.

Table.

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<th>Description of Spirits</th>
<th>Preferential Rates</th>
<th>Full Rates</th>
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<td>In cask.</td>
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<td>For every gallon computed at proof of—</td>
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<td>Brandy or rum</td>
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<td>4 6 5</td>
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<td>4 5 15</td>
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<td>other than those already enumerated</td>
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<td>fumed spirits</td>
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<td>6 16 0</td>
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<td>For every gallon of liquors, cordials, mixtures and</td>
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And it is hereby 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.)

Wines (Customs Duty).

5. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, in lieu of the duties of customs theretofore chargeable on wines, there shall be charged the following duties of customs on wines imported into the United Kingdom, that is to say—

(a) in the case of wines of the descriptions specified in the first column of Part I of the following Table and not being Empire products, duties at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Part of that Table:

(b) in the case of wines not exceeding twenty-seven degrees of proof spirit and being an Empire product, a duty at a rate representing the full rate of duty for the time being chargeable on wine not exceeding twenty-five degrees of proof spirit and not being an Empire product, reduced by two shillings per gallon; and

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(c) in the case of wines of the descriptions specified in the first column of Part II of the following Table and being Empire products, duties at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Part of that Table:

Provided that the provisos to section three of the Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932 (which provide for an increase in the rate of duty chargeable on wine of the description mentioned in paragraph (b) of this Resolution) shall have effect as if for any reference to paragraph (b) of that section there were substituted a reference to paragraph (b) of this Resolution.

Table.

Part I.

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<tr>
<th>Description of Wine</th>
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<tr>
<td>Not exceeding 25 degrees proof spirit</td>
<td>5 s. 0 d.</td>
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<td>Exceeding 25 degrees proof spirit and not exceeding 42 degrees proof spirit</td>
<td>6 s. 0 d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For every degree or fraction of a degree above 42 degrees proof spirit, an additional duty</td>
<td>12 s. 0 d.</td>
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<td>Sparkling, an additional duty</td>
<td>12 s. 0 d.</td>
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<td>Still, in bottle, an additional duty</td>
<td>2 s. 0 d.</td>
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<th>Description of Wine</th>
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<td>Exceeding 27 degrees proof spirit and not exceeding 42 degrees proof spirit</td>
<td>8 s. 0 d.</td>
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<td>For every degree or fraction of a degree above 42 degrees proof spirit, an additional duty</td>
<td>0 s. 8 d.</td>
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<td>Sparkling, an additional duty</td>
<td>6 s. 3 d.</td>
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<td>Still, in bottle, an additional duty</td>
<td>1 s. 0 d.</td>
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And it is hereby 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.)

Sweets (Excise Duty).

6. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rate of the duty on excise on sweets shall be increased from seven shillings and sixpence to nine shillings and sixpence per gallon in the case of sparkling sweets, and from one shilling and sixpence to three shillings and sixpence per gallon in the case of other sweets.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Tobacco (Customs Duty).

7. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, in lieu of the full duties of customs theretofore chargeable on tobacco imported into the United Kingdom, there shall be charged on tobacco so imported of the descriptions set out in the first column of the following Table duties of customs at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Table:

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<th>Description of Tobacco</th>
<th>Rate of duty per pound</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tobacco unmanufactured—</td>
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<td>containing 10 lbs. or more of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>11 s. 3 d.</td>
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<td>containing less than 10 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>12 s. 0 d.</td>
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<td>Tobacco manufactured, viz.—</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cigars</td>
<td>22 s. 0 d.</td>
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<td>Cigarettes</td>
<td>18 s. 7 d.</td>
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<td>Cavendish or Negrohead manufactured in bond</td>
<td>16 s. 0 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other manufactured tobacco</td>
<td>16 s. 0 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Snuff— containing more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>15 s. 4 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>containing not more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>17 s. 9 d.</td>
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and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Tobacco (Excise Duty).

8. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, in lieu of the duties of excise theretofore chargeable on tobacco grown in the United Kingdom, there shall be charged on tobacco so grown of the descriptions set out in the first column of the following Table duties of excise at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Table:

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<td>Tobacco unmanufactured—</td>
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<td>Cavendish or Negrohead manufactured in bond</td>
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and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is hereby 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.)
9. Resolved, That, as respects tobacco on which there have been paid duties of customs or excise at the increased rates for which provision is made by any Resolution passed by the Committee of Ways and Means on the same date as this Resolution, drawback shall be allowed at the rates set out in the following Table, instead of at the rates set out in Part III of the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 1939.

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<th>Description of Tobacco</th>
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<td>has been paid.</td>
<td>duty has been</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cigars</td>
<td>14 s. 0 d.</td>
<td>12 s. 6 d.</td>
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<td>Cigarettes</td>
<td>14 s. 0 d.</td>
<td>12 s. 6 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cut, roll, cake or other manufactured tobacco</td>
<td>14 s. 0 d.</td>
<td>12 s. 1 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Snuff (not being offal snuff)</td>
<td>14 s. 0 d.</td>
<td>11 s. 11 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stalks, shorts, or other refuse of tobacco, excluding offal snuff</td>
<td>13 s. 9 d.</td>
<td>11 s. 8 d.</td>
</tr>
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</table>

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Sugar, &c. (Customs Duties).

10. Resolved, That, after five o'clock in the evening on the twenty-seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of customs on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharin, shall be charged at increased rates as follows—

(a) for the full rates of duty theretofore in force, there shall be substituted the rates specified in Part I of the following Table;

(b) the amount of the general preferential reduction in respect of sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98 degrees but not exceeding 99 degrees, shall be 7s. 6d. and 6s. 4d. instead of 7s. 0d. ;

(c) for the rates of duty theretofore in force in respect of colonial sugar accompanied by a quota certificate, there shall be substituted the rates set out in Part II of the following Table, and any certificates issued under section one of the Finance Act, 1934, whether before or after the passing of this Resolution, shall have effect accordingly.

<table>
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<th>Article.</th>
<th>Rate of duty.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 76° and not exceeding 98°</td>
<td>10 s. 0 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 97° and not exceeding 99°</td>
<td>19 s. 3 d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99°</td>
<td>23 s. 4 d.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Sugar, &c (Excise Duty).

11. Resolved, That, after five o'clock in the evening on the twenty-seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of excise on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharin, shall be at the rates specified in the following Table, instead of at the rates theretofore chargeable:

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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99°</td>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98° and not exceeding 99°</td>
<td>12 s. 6 d.</td>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 97° and not exceeding 98°</td>
<td>19 s. 7 d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 76°</td>
<td>10 s. 0 d.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### Molasses (including all sugar and extracts from sugar which cannot be completely tested by the polarimeter)

If containing—

- 70 per cent. or more of sweetening matter - the cwt. 10 3½
- less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - the cwt. 7 5
- not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - the cwt. 3 7½

### Glucose

- Solid - - - the oz. 5 2½
- Liquid - - - - - - - - - - - - 7 5

### Saccharine (including substances of a like nature or use)

- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - the oz. 5 2½

And it is hereby 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.)

12. **Resolved, That,** in the case of sugar and molasses produced in the United Kingdom from material on which a duty of customs or excise is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been paid at the increased rates for which provision is made by any Resolution passed by the Committee of Ways and Means on the same date as this Resolution, drawback shall be paid under Part II of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1928, as if for references therein to the scales set out in Table 1 and Table 2 in that Part of the Schedule, there were substituted references to the scales respectively set out in Table 1 and Table 2 annexed to this Resolution, and the scale set out in Part II of the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 1934, shall not apply.

#### Table 1

**Scale applicable in the case of Sugar produced in the United Kingdom from material on which duty has been paid.**

<table>
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<th>Nature of Sugar</th>
<th>Rate of Duty Paid</th>
<th>Rate of Duty Drawback</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 76° and not exceeding 98° produced from material on which the full duties of customs have been paid.</td>
<td>per cwt. 21s. 4d. less than 23s. 4d.</td>
<td>per cwt. 31s. 6d. 21s. 4d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar produced from material on which the full duties of customs have been paid.</td>
<td>15s. 6d. 14s. 7½d.</td>
<td>16s. 3d. 14s. 0½d.</td>
</tr>
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<td>Sugar produced from material on which customs duty at the general preferential rates has been paid.</td>
<td>14s. 0½d. 13s. 0½d.</td>
<td>15s. 6d. 14s. 7½d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sugar produced from material on which customs duty at the certificated colonial rates has been paid.</td>
<td>12s. 0½d. 11s. 9d.</td>
<td>13s. 0½d. 12s. 3d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sugar produced from material on which customs duty at the certificated colonial rates has been paid.</td>
<td>16s. 4d. 15s. 4d.</td>
<td>16s. 4d. 15s. 4d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Any rate of duty.</td>
<td>A drawback equal to the amount by which the rate of duty paid is less than the rate of duty ascertained to be due.</td>
<td>A drawback equal to the amount by which the rate of duty paid is less than the rate of duty ascertained to be due.</td>
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#### Table 2

**Scale applicable in the case of Molasses produced in the United Kingdom from Material on which duty has been paid.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Nature of Molasses</th>
<th>Produced from material on which full customs duty has been paid</th>
<th>Produced from material on which the general preferential rates have been paid</th>
<th>Produced from material on which the certificated colonial rates have been paid</th>
<th>Produced from material on which excise duty has been paid</th>
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<tr>
<td>Containing more than 80 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>s. d.</td>
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<td>Containing more than 70 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>15 9</td>
<td>12 04</td>
<td>9 114</td>
<td>11 7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Containing more than 60 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>13 10 4</td>
<td>11 04</td>
<td>8 9</td>
<td>10 7 4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Containing more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>10 14</td>
<td>8 01</td>
<td>6 44</td>
<td>7 14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Containing more than 40 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>7 7</td>
<td>6 0</td>
<td>4 91</td>
<td>5 7</td>
</tr>
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In the foregoing Tables—

(a) the expression the "general preferential rates" means the full rates of duty reduced by the amount of the special preferential reductions specified in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1939, as amended by any Resolution passed by the Committee of Ways and Means on the same date as this Resolution; and

(b) the expression the certificated colonial rates means the special rates of duty applicable to colonial sugar accompanied by a quota certificate.

And it is hereby 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

**Standard Rate of Tax for 1939–40.**

13. **Resolved, That,**

(a) the standard rate of income tax for the year 1939–40 shall, as respects the last three-quarters of the year, be increased by two shillings to seven shillings and sixpence in the pound;

(b) the said increase shall be averaged over the whole of the said year so that the standard rate is, in relation to the year and every part thereof, taken to be seven shillings and sixpence in the pound;

(c) in connection with the said increase, amendments shall be made in section two hundred and eleven of the Income Tax Act, 1918 (as amended by subsection (2) of section twelve of the Finance Act, 1930) and special provision...
made in relation to income chargeable under Schedule C, under Rule 6 or Rule 7 of the Miscellaneous Rules applicable to Schedule D, or under Rule 21 of the General Rules;

(d) such other amendments shall be made in the Income Tax Acts as are consequential on the said increase.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)


14. Resolved, That income tax for the year 1938-39 in respect of the excess of the total income of an individual over two thousand pounds shall, instead of being charged at the rates mentioned in section twelve of the Finance Act, 1939, be charged at rates exceeding the standard rate by the amounts specified in the second column of the following Table; and that such amendments shall be made in the Income Tax Acts as are consequential on the foregoing provisions of this Resolution:

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<td>For every pound of the first five hundred pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>One shilling and threepence.</td>
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<td>For every pound of the next five hundred pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>One shilling and sixpence.</td>
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<tr>
<td>For every pound of the next one thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Two shillings and sixpence.</td>
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<tr>
<td>For every pound of the next one thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Three shillings and sixpence.</td>
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<tr>
<td>For every pound of the next one thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Four shillings and sixpence.</td>
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<td>For every pound of the next one thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Five shillings.</td>
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<td>For every pound of the next one thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Six shillings and sixpence.</td>
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<td>For every pound of the next five thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Seven shillings and sixpence.</td>
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<td>For every pound of the next five thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Eight shillings and sixpence.</td>
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<td>For every pound of the next ten thousand pounds of the excess.</td>
<td>Nine shillings.</td>
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<tr>
<td>For every pound of the remainder of the excess.</td>
<td>Nine shillings and sixpence.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Reliefs and Exemption from Tax.

15. Resolved, That—

(a) the following enactments relating to reliefs and exemption from tax shall be amended as Parliament may provide by any Act of the present Session relating to income tax, namely—

(i) subsection (2) of section forty of the Finance Act, 1927, as amended by subsequent enactments (which relates to the reduction of the tax remaining chargeable after the allowance of other reliefs);

(ii) section eighteen of the Finance Act, 1920, as so amended (which relates to the personal allowance of married persons);

(iii) section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1920, as so amended (which relates to relief in respect of children);

(iv) subsection (1) of section fifteen of the Finance Act, 1925, as so amended (which relates to relief in respect of earned income), and subsection (2) of that section, as so amended (which relates to persons over sixty-five years of age);

(v) section nineteen of the Finance Act, 1935 (which relates to the exemption of incomes not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five pounds and a reduction of tax in the case of incomes less than one hundred and forty pounds);

(b) such amendments shall be made in the Income Tax Acts as are consequential on any amendments which may be made in the enactments aforesaid.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Diminution of Earned Income.

16. Resolved, That relief from income tax for the year 1939-40 be given to individuals, whose actual earned income for that year is, owing to circumstances connected with the war, less than their earned income as assessed to income tax for that year.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

Estate Duty (Increased Rates).

17. Resolved, That in the case of persons dying after the twenty-seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rates of Estate duty shall be—

(a) as respects estates the principal value of which exceeds ten thousand pounds but does not exceed fifty thousand pounds, the rates set out in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1939, increased in the case of each rate by one-tenth of the amount thereof; and

(b) as respects estates the principal value of which exceeds fifty thousand pounds, the rates therein set out increased in the case of each rate by one-fifth of the amount thereof.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Charge of Excess Profits Tax.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That—

(a) where the profits of any trade or business arising in so much of any accounting period as falls after the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, exceed a certain standard, there shall be charged on the excess a tax of sixty per cent.;

(b) armament profits duty shall in no case be chargeable and the national defence contribution shall only be chargeable if it is higher than the tax chargeable under this Resolution;
The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Justice 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 official Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Water Undertakings Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit twenty-three minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 173.]

Thursday, 28th September 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Emergency powers pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 25th August 1939, making Regulations entitled the Defence (Finance) Regulations, 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the London directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Thirtieth Annual Report, with Port of London Authority, for the year ended 31st March 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Charge of Excess Profits Tax.

Question again proposed, That—

(a) where the profits of any trade or business arising in so much of any accounting period as falls after the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, exceed a certain standard, there shall be charged on the excess a tax of sixty per cent.;

(b) armament profits duty shall in no case be chargeable and the national defence contribution shall only be chargeable if it is higher than the tax chargeable under this Resolution;

(c) the tax chargeable under this Resolution in respect of a trade or business for any period shall be allowed as an expense for income tax purposes incurred in that period but any repayment of the said tax allowed by reason of a deficiency of profits in a subsequent period shall be taken into account for income tax purposes as if it were a profit of the trade or business arising in that subsequent period;

(d) special provision may be made as to the tax payable in the case of interconnected companies.

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Cyril Entwistle reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Sir Cyril Entwistle also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee Ways and Means of the 27th day of this instant September, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Beer (Excise Duty and Drawback).

1. That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine—

(a) there shall be charged in respect of beer brewed in the United Kingdom, in lieu of the duty of excise theretofore chargeable in respect thereof, a duty of excise at the following rates

For every 36 gallons of worts of a specific gravity of 1,027 degrees or less - 2 8 0

For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees - 0 2 0

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons;

(b) no rebate shall be allowed from any duty of excise for the time being chargeable in respect of beer to which this Resolution applies;

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(c) on the exportation from the United Kingdom as merchandise, or for use as ships' stores, of beer in respect of which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise that the duty of excise chargeable under this Resolution has been paid, there shall be allowed (in addition to the drawback allowable under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other excise drawback) an excise drawback at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons of beer £ s. d.

| of an original gravity of 1,027 | 2 8 2 |
|degrees or less | |

For every 36 gallons of beer of an original gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees—

| For the first 1,027 degrees | 2 8 2 |
|For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees | 0 2 0 |

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons:

Provided that—

(i) nothing in this Resolution shall apply to beer of any description specified in subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1930; and

(ii) as respects beer of an original gravity of less than 1,027 degrees, the amount of drawback allowable shall not exceed by more than twopence for every thirty-six gallons the amount of duty which is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been paid.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Beer (Customs Duty and Drawback).

2. That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine—

(a) there shall be charged in respect of beer imported into the United Kingdom (in addition to any duty of customs chargeable in respect thereof under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other duty of customs) a duty of customs at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons, where £ s. d.

| the worts thereof were, before | 2 8 5 |
|fermentation, of a specific | |
|gravity of 1,027 degrees or less | |

In the case of beer being an Empire product 2 8 5

In the case of beer not being an Empire product 3 8 5

For every 36 gallons, where £ s. d.

| the worts thereof were, before | 2 8 5 |
|fermentation, of a specific | |
|gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees | |

In the case of beer being an Empire product—

| For the first 1,027 degrees | 2 8 5 |
|For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees | 0 2 0 |

In the case of beer not being an Empire product—

| For the first 1,027 degrees | 3 8 5 |
|For every degree in excess of 1,027 degrees | 0 2 0 |

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons:

(b) no rebate shall be allowed from any duty of customs for the time being chargeable in respect of beer to which this Resolution applies;

(c) on the exportation from the United Kingdom as merchandise, or for use as ships' stores, of beer in respect of which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise that the duty of customs chargeable under this Resolution has been paid, there shall be allowed (in addition to the drawback allowable under section two of the Finance Act, 1933, but in lieu of any other customs drawback) a customs drawback at the following rates:—

For every 36 gallons, where £ s. d.

| the worts thereof were, before | 2 8 2 |
|fermentation, of a specific | |
|gravity of 1,027 degrees or less | |

In the case of beer being an Empire product 2 8 2

In the case of beer not being an Empire product 3 8 2

For every 36 gallons, where £ s. d.

| the worts thereof were, before | 2 8 2 |
|fermentation, of a specific | |
|gravity exceeding 1,027 degrees | |

In the case of beer being an Empire product—

| For the first 1,027 degrees | 2 8 2 |
|For every additional degree in excess of 1,027 degrees | 0 2 0 |

In the case of beer not being an Empire product—

| For the first 1,027 degrees | 3 8 2 |
|For every degree in excess of 1,027 degrees | 0 2 0 |

and so in proportion for any less number of gallons:

Provided that—

(i) nothing in this Resolution shall apply to beer of any description specified in
subsection (1) of section two of the Finance Act, 1930; and

(ii) as respects beer of an original gravity of less than 1,027 degrees the amount of drawback allowable shall not exceed the amount of duty which is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been paid, less threepence for every thirty-six gallons.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Spirits (Excise Duty).

3. That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rate of the duty of excise charged on spirits by subsection (2) of section three of the Finance Act, 1920, in addition to the duties specified in Part III of the First Schedule to that Act shall be increased to four pounds two shillings and sixpence.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Spirits (Customs Duty).

4. That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of customs charged on spirits of the descriptions set out in the first column of the following Table by subsection (1) of section three of the Finance Act, 1920, in addition to the duties specified in Part II of the First Schedule to that Act shall—

(a) in the case of spirits being Empire products, be charged at the increased rates shown in the second column of that Table; and

(b) in the case of spirits not being Empire products, be charged at the increased rates shown in the third column of that Table.

Table.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description of Spirits</th>
<th>Preferential Rates</th>
<th>Full Rates</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>In cask.</td>
<td>In bottle.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For every gallon computed at proof:</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Spirituous liquors, including patent medicines</td>
<td>£ 4 10</td>
<td>£ 4 11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Not exceeding 25 degrees proof spirit</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For every degree or fraction of a degree above 25 degrees proof spirit</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Full rates for wine</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For every gallon of wine containing</td>
<td>£ 5 12</td>
<td>£ 5 13</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Wines (Customs Duty).

5. That, on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, in lieu of the duties of customs therefore chargeable on wines, there shall be charged the following duties of customs on wines imported into the United Kingdom, that is to say—

(a) in the case of wines of the descriptions specified in the first column of Part I of the following Table and not being Empire products, duties at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Part of that Table;

(b) in the case of wine not exceeding twenty-seven degrees of proof spirit and being an Empire product, a duty at a rate representing the full rate of duty for the time being chargeable on wine not exceeding twenty-five degrees of proof spirit and not being an Empire product, reduced by two shillings per gallon; and

(c) in the case of wines of the descriptions specified in the first column of Part II of the following Table and being Empire products, duties at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Part of that Table:

Provided that the proviso to section three of the Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932 (which provide for an increase in the rate of duty chargeable on wine of the description mentioned in paragraph (b) of this Resolution) shall have effect as if for any reference to paragraph (b) of that section there were substituted a reference to paragraph (b) of this Resolution.

Table.

Part I.

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<th>Description of Wine</th>
<th>Rate of duty per gallon</th>
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<td>Not exceeding 25 degrees proof spirit</td>
<td>6 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Exceeding 25 degrees proof spirit and not exceeding 42 degrees proof spirit</td>
<td>12 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For every degree or fraction of a degree above 42 degrees proof spirit, an additional duty</td>
<td>1 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sparkling, an additional duty</td>
<td>12 6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Still, in bottle, an additional duty</td>
<td>2 0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Part II.

| Exceeding 27 degrees proof spirit and not exceeding 42 degrees proof spirit | 8 0 |
| For every degree or fraction of a degree above 42 degrees proof spirit, an additional duty | 1 0 |
| Sparkling, an additional duty | 6 3 |
| Still, in bottle, an additional duty | 1 0 |

And it is hereby 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.
Sweets (Excise Duty).

6. That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rate of the duty of excise on sweets shall be increased from seven shillings and sixpence to nine shillings and sixpence per gallon in the case of sparkling sweets, and from one shilling and sixpence to three shillings and sixpence per gallon in the case of other sweets.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Tobacco (Excise Duty).

7. That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, in lieu of the full duties of customs theretofore chargeable on tobacco imported into the United Kingdom, there shall be charged on tobacco so imported of the descriptions set out in the first column of the following Table duties of customs at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Table:

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<tr>
<th>Description of Tobacco</th>
<th>Rate of duty per pound.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tobacco manufactured, viz.:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cavendish or Negrohead manufactured in bond</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>containing more than 10 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>s. d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>unstripped</td>
<td>13</td>
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<tr>
<td>stripped</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>containing less than 10 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
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<tr>
<td>unstripped</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
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<td>stripped</td>
<td>14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tobacco manufactured, viz.:</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Cigars</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>containing more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>s. d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>containing not more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>and so in proportion for any less quantity</td>
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And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Tobacco (Excise Duty).

8. That on and after the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, in lieu of the duties of excise theretofore chargeable on tobacco grown in the United Kingdom, there shall be charged on tobacco so grown of the descriptions set out in the first column of the following Table duties of excise at the rates respectively specified in the second column of that Table:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description of Tobacco</th>
<th>Rate of duty per pound.</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tobacco unmanufactured— containing 10 lbs. or more of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>s. d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>unstripped</td>
<td>11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stripped</td>
<td>12</td>
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<tr>
<td>containing less than 10 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
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And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Tobacco (Drawback).

9. That, as respects tobacco on which there have been paid duties of customs or excise at the increased rates for which provision is made by any Resolution passed by the Committee of Ways and Means on the same date as this Resolution, drawback shall be allowed at the rates set out in the following Table, instead of at the rates set out in Part III of the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 1939.

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<td>In respect of tobacco on which full customs duty has been paid.</td>
<td>s. d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cigars</td>
<td>14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cigarettes</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cut, roll, cake or other manufactured tobacco</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Snuff (not being official snuff)</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stalks, shorts, or other refuse of tobacco, including official snuff</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Sugar, &c. (Customs Duties).

10. That after five o'clock in the evening on the twenty-seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of customs on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharin, shall be charged at increased rates as follows—

(a) for the full rates of duty theretofore in force, there shall be substituted the rates specified in Part I of the following Table;

(b) the amount of the general preferential reduction in respect of sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98 degrees but not exceeding 99 degrees, shall be 7s. 6d. instead of 7s. 0 4d.;
have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Sugar, &c. (Excise Duty).

11. That after five o'clock in the evening on the twenty-seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the duties of excise on sugar, molasses, glucose and saccharin, shall be at the rates specified in the following Table, instead of at the rates theretofore chargeable:

Table.

| Article | Rate of duty.
|---------|----------------*
| Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99° | s. d. |
| and not exceeding 99° | the cwt. |
| Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 76° | s. d. |
| and not exceeding 76° | the cwt. |

Molasses (except when delivered to a licensed distiller for use in the manufacture of spirits or yeast, or to a person for use in the manufacture of yeast in premises used solely for that purpose)—

If containing—— s. d.

70 per cent. or more of sweetening matter | 14 9 |
less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter | 10 7 |
not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter | 5 2 |
Glucose, solid | 14 9 |
Glucose, liquid | 10 7 |
Saccharin (including substances of a like nature or use) | 7 6 |

Part II.

Rates of Duty on Certificated Colonial Sugar.

| Article | Rate of duty.
|---------|----------------*
| Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99° | s. d. |
| and not exceeding 99° | the cwt. |
| Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 76° | s. d. |
| and not exceeding 76° | the cwt. |

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Sugar, &c. (Drawbacks).

12. That, in the case of sugar and molasses produced in the United Kingdom from material on which a duty of customs or excise is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been paid at the increased rates for which provision is made by any Resolution passed by the Committee of Ways and Means on the same date as this Resolution, drawback shall be paid under Part II of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1928, as if for references therein to the scales set out in Table I and Table 2 in that Part of that Schedule, there were substituted references to the scales respectively set out in Table I and Table 2 annexed to this Resolution, and the scale set out in Part II of the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 1934, shall not apply.

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Table 1.
Scale applicable in the case of Sugar produced in the United Kingdom from material on which duty has been paid.

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<tr>
<th>Nature of Sugar</th>
<th>Rate of Duty Paid</th>
<th>Rate or amount of Drawback</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99° produced from material on which the full duties of customs have been paid.</td>
<td>per cwt. 23s. 4d.</td>
<td>per cwt. 21s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99° produced from material on which customs duty at the general preferential rates has been paid.</td>
<td>17s. 6d.</td>
<td>16s. 3d.</td>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99° produced from material on which customs duty at the certified colonial rates has been paid.</td>
<td>16s. 0d.</td>
<td>15s. 3d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 99° produced from material on which excise duty has been paid.</td>
<td>16s. 3d.</td>
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Table 2.
Scale applicable in the case of Molasses produced in the United Kingdom from material on which duty has been paid.

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<tr>
<td>Containing more than 80 per cent. of sweetening matter -</td>
<td>12 d.</td>
<td>11 d.</td>
<td>10 d.</td>
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<td>Containing more than 70 per cent. of sweetening matter -</td>
<td>13 3/4</td>
<td>11 3/4</td>
<td>10 1/4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Containing more than 60 per cent. of sweetening matter -</td>
<td>10 3/4</td>
<td>8 3/4</td>
<td>7 7/8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Containing more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter -</td>
<td>7 5/8</td>
<td>6 5/8</td>
<td>5 3/8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Containing more than 20 per cent. of sweetening matter and weighing not less than fourteen pounds to the gallon -</td>
<td>5 3/8</td>
<td>4 3/8</td>
<td>3 3/8</td>
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In the foregoing Tables—

(a) the expression "the general preferential rates" means the full rates of duty reduced by the amounts of the general preferential reductions specified in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1939, as amended by any Resolution passed by the Committee of Ways and Means on the same date as this Resolution;

(b) the expression "the certified colonial rates" means the special rates of duty applicable to colonial sugar accompanied by a quota certificate.

And it is hereby 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.

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Income Tax.

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13. That—

(a) the standard rate of income tax for the year 1939-40 shall, as respects the last three-quarters of the year, be increased by two shillings to seven shillings and sixpence in the pound;

(b) the said increase shall be averaged over the whole of the said year so that the standard rate is, in relation to the year and every part thereof, taken to be seven shillings in the pound for all purposes, except that for the purpose of the application of section two of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913, to the month beginning on the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and forty, the standard rate shall be taken to be seven shillings and sixpence in the pound;

(c) in connection with the said increase, amendments shall be made in section two hundred and eleven of the Income Tax Act, 1918 (as amended by subsection (2) of section twelve of the Finance Act, 1939) and special provision made in relation to income chargeable under Schedule C, under Rule 6 or Rule 7 of the Miscellaneous Rules applicable to Schedule D, or under Rule 21 of the General Rules;

(d) such other amendments shall be made in the Income Tax Acts as are consequential on the said increase.


For every pound of the first five hundred pounds of the excess.

For every pound of the next five hundred pounds of the excess.

For every pound of the next one thousand pounds of the excess.

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For every pound of the next two thousand pounds of the excess.

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One shilling and threepence.

One shilling and sixpence.

Two shillings and sixpence.

Three shillings and sixpence.

Four shillings and threepence.

Five shillings and threepence.

Six shillings and threepence.
Reliefs and Exemption from Tax.

15. That—

(a) the following enactments relating to reliefs and exemption from tax shall be amended as Parliament may provide by any Act of the present Session relating to income tax, namely—

(i) subsection (2) of section forty of the Finance Act, 1927, as amended by subsequent enactments (which relates to the reduction of the tax remaining chargeable after the allowance of other reliefs);

(ii) section eighteen of the Finance Act, 1920, as so amended (which relates to the personal allowance of married persons);

(iii) section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1920, as so amended (which relates to the personal allowance of children);

(iv) subsection (1) of section fifteen of the Finance Act, 1925, as so amended (which relates to relief in respect of children);

(v) section nineteen of the Finance Act, 1935 (which relates to the exemption of incomes not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five pounds and a reduction of tax in the case of incomes less than one hundred and forty pounds);

(b) such amendments shall be made in the Income Tax Acts as are consequential on any amendments which may be made in the enactments aforesaid.

Diminution of Earned Income.

16. That relief from income tax for the year 1939-40 be given to individuals whose actual earned income for that year is, owing to circumstances connected with the war, less than their earned income as assessed to income tax for that year.

Miscellaneous.

Estate Duty (Increased Rates).

17. That in the case of persons dying after the twenty-seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, the rates of Estate duty shall be—

(a) as respects estates the principal value of which exceeds ten thousand pounds but does not exceed fifty thousand pounds, the rates set out in the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1930, increased in the case of each rate by one-tenth of the amount thereof; and

(b) as respects estates the principal value of which exceeds fifty thousand pounds, the rates therein set out increased in the case of each rate by one-fifth of the amount thereof.

The First to the Ninth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Tenth 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 a Sir James Edmondson, Yes, Mr. Munro ;
Mr. Charlton, Noes, Mr. Mather ;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Sir James Edmondson reported from the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means of the 28th September, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Charge of Excess Profits Tax.

That—

(a) where the profits of any trade or business arising in so much of any accounting period as falls after the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, exceed a certain standard, there shall be charged on the excess a tax of sixty per cent.

(b) armament profits duty shall in no case be chargeable and the national defence contribution shall only be chargeable if it is higher than the tax chargeable under this Resolution;

(c) the tax chargeable under this Resolution in respect of a trade or business for any period shall be allowed as an expense for income tax purposes incurred in that period but any repayment of the said tax allowed by reason of a deficiency of profits in a subsequent period shall be taken into account for income tax purposes as if it were a profit of the trade or business arising in that subsequent period;

(d) special provision may be made as to the tax payable in the case of interconnected companies.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Finance said Resolutions; and that the Chairman of (No. 2.) Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Captain Crookshank do prepare and bring it in.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

**Resolved**, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

**Resolved**, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the British Shipping (Assistance) Bill:

**Resolved**, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

**Ordered**, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

**Ordered**, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Deer and Ground Game (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 Water Undertakings Bill [Lords];

**Ordered**, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Adjournment.** **Resolved**, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes after Twelve of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

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**PRAYERS.**


**Ordered,** That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Shops Acts, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the undermentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department: —

Borough of Aylesbury.

**Ordered,** That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Finance (No. 2) Bill was, according to Finance 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, 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.

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Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Water Undertakings Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Water Undertakings Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Grimston.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 176.]

Tuesday, 3rd October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Cordin presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to the Baird Trust: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 21st September 1939, entitled the Defence (Savings Banks) Regulations Amendment Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 20th September 1939, providing for the revision of the regulations governing the employment of retired and non-regular officers with the Royal Air Force.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of two Orders in Council, dated 25th July 1939, relating to Gaboon Mahogany Plywood.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, Copies of two Orders in Council, dated 25th September 1939, extending Section 20 of the Finance Act, 1894, to Northern Rhodesia as regards Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 28th September 1939, entitled the Special Constables Order, 1939.

Copy of two Orders in Council relating to Finance Act, Relief from Double Income Tax on Agency Profits,—

(1) dated 21st September 1939, as regards Norway;
(2) dated 28th September 1939, as regards South Africa.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 21st Forestry Acts, September 1939, entitled the Forestry (Transfer of Woods from the Secretary of State for Air) Order, 1939.

Copy of seven Orders in Council, dated 8th Registration Act, 1939, approving Admiralty Marine Pay Memorials under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Resolves, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 177.]

Wednesday, 4th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Baird Trust to take into consideration the Baird Trust Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Captain Crewebank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 25th July 1939, relating to Gaboon Mahogany Plywood.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, Copies of two Orders in Council, dated 25th September 1939, extending Section 20 of the Finance Act, 1894, to Northern Rhodesia as regards Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

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Copy of seven Orders in Council, dated 8th Registration Act, 1939, approving Admiralty Marine Pay Memorials under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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The Education (Emergency) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Education (Emergency) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Courts (Emergency Powers) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Sugar, &c.). Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Captain Dugdale, Yeas, Sir James Edmondson: 201.

Tellers for the Mr. Groves, Noos, Mr. Whiteley: 137.

Clauses No. 7 and No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Alteration of certain allowances). Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 35, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Water.) Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Colonel Kerr, Yeas, Mr. Grimston: 179.

Tellers for the Mr. Charlton, Noos, Mr. Mathers : 136.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 1, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Lee-Smith.) Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Colonel Kerr, Yeas, Mr. Munro: 178.

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley, Noos, Mr. Adamson: 122.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 10 agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Relief in respect of diminution of earned income).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 22, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that where the business year of the individual falls partly in one fiscal year and partly in another fiscal year the actual earned income for any fiscal year shall be ascertained by a proportionate adjustment between the two fiscal years within which the business year of the individual falls."—(Colonel Nathan.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Thursday, 5th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Baird Trust Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty’s Permanent Court of International Justice, a Treaty Series No. 1, 1939. [The Convention has not been ratified by His Majesty.]

Copy of Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom, France and Poland for a Loan to Poland. London, 7th September 1939.

Copy of Notes exchanged between the Treaty Series Governments of the United Kingdom and Roumania modifying the Annex to the Agreement of 2nd September 1938, regarding Commercial Payments. Bucharest, 23rd December 1938 and 4th April 1939.

Copy of Agreement between His Majesty’s Treaty Series Government in the United Kingdom and the Danish Government modifying the Commercial Agreement of 24th April 1933 [with Notes exchanged]. London, 21st December 1938, [Ratifications exchanged at Copenhagen on 28th August 1939.]

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Act, 1926, dated 27th September 1939, entitled the Alkali, &c., Works Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 12 (Charge of excess profits tax).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Question put, and agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Computation of standard profits).

Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 36, after the word "thirty-six," to insert the words "or the year nineteen hundred and thirty-seven or."—(Mr. Spens).

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 39, at the end, to insert the words,—"Provided that, if a person carrying on a trade or business can satisfy the Commissioners of Inland Revenue or, on appeal, the Board of Referees that, owing to some specific cause peculiar to the trade or business, or to the industry concerned, it is just, the year nineteen hundred and thirty-eight may be substituted for the year nineteen hundred and thirty-seven."—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 11, after the word "business," to insert the words "the Commissioners of Inland Revenue or on appeal."—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 12, to leave out the words "or the volume of business."—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 13, to leave out from the word "was," to the word "they," in l. 14, and insert the words "reduced by special circumstances."—(Sir Cyril Entwistle.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 28, after the word "business," to insert the words "or to the industry concerned."—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 14 to No. 16 agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Provisions as to interconnected companies).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 23, l. 22, to leave out the words "whether or not."—(Sir George Schuster.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 18 to No. 24 agreed to.

First to Seventh Schedules agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn Adjournment, till Monday next.—(Mr. Munro.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 179.]

Monday, 9th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

CAPTAIN Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Orders made under the Import Duties Act, 1932, dated 9th October 1939, entitled—

(1) the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 7) Order, 1939;
(2) the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 8) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd presented, by His Majesty's Mines Command, Copy of Statistical Summary of Department, Output, and of Costs of Production, Proceeds and Profits of the Coal Mining Industry for the quarter ended 30th June 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Emergency pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Orders in Council, Act, 1939, dated 23rd September 1939, making Regulations, entitled—

(1) the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) Regulations, 1939;
(2) the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Scheme made under the Local Government Superannuation Acts by the Weymouth and Melcombe Regis Borough Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Attorney-General, the Lord Advocate, and Major Lloyd George, presented a Bill to prevent the price of goods of such descriptions as may be specified by the Board of Trade being raised above a basic price for those goods by more than an amount referable to increases in certain specified expenses, and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Captain Waterhouse.)

The Education (Emergency) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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—(Colonel Kerr.)

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Mr. Elliot, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order, dated 24th August 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order made on the 4th day of April last for a Return relative to Tramways and Light Railways (Street and Road) and Trolley Vehicle Undertakings, was read, and discharged.

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 facilitate the execution of trusts during the period of the present emergency, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Execution of Trusts (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords], was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. —(Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

EARL WINTERTON presented, pursuant to the University directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the University of Arts. Oxford on the 2nd day of May 1939, amending the Statutes of the University.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Aliens Restriction Acts and the Aliens Order, 1920, amending the Order dated 29th May 1920, prescribing the form of Landing and Embarkation Cards.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 28th September 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order made on the 4th day of April last for a Return relative to Tramways and Light Railways (Street and Road) and Trolley Vehicle Undertakings, was read, and discharged.

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 facilitate the execution of trusts during the period of the present emergency, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Execution of Trusts (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords], was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. —(Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Third Reading of the Finance (No. 2) Bill may be taken immediately after the consideration of the Bill as amended, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between the various stages of such a Bill.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 16, l. 19, at the end, by inserting the words,—

"(6) This section shall not apply to any trade or business carried on by statutory undertakers and consisting wholly or mainly in the rendering in the United Kingdom of any of the following services, namely, the supply of water, gas, electricity or hydraulic power.

For the purposes of this subsection the expression 'statutory undertakers' means any local or public authority authorised by, or by virtue of, any enactment to render any of the services aforesaid in the United Kingdom, and any other person so authorised who is precluded by, or by virtue of, any enactment from charging any higher price for those services than that authorised by, or by virtue of, the enactment or, in the case of a body corporate, is either so precluded or precluded by, or by virtue of, any enactment from paying a dividend at any higher rate, or distributing by way of dividend any greater amount, than that authorised by, or by virtue of, the enactment: —"—(Sir Reginald Clarry.)

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. 18, l. 13, by leaving out from the word " was," to the word " they," in l. 14, and inserting the words " not sufficient to give a reasonable return upon the capital employed,"—(Mr. Oswald Lewis),—instead thereof;

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the 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.

E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Education (Emergency) Bill [Lords].

Clause No. 1 (Suspension of operation of ss. 1 to 6 of Education Act, 1936).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word " but," to insert the words " such sections or any of them."—(Mr. Less-Smith.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers, Yeas, Mr. Adamson : ]

[Mr. Pethick Lawrence, Noes, Sir James Edmondson : ] 95.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 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, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Education (Emergency) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Suspension of operation of s. 14 of Education (Scotland) Act, 1918).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11, after the word " shall," to insert the words " if the Secretary of State by Order so determine."—(Mr. Pethick Lawrence.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mathers, Yeas, Mr. Anderson : ]

[Mr. Pethick Lawrence, Noes, Sir James Edmondson : ] 92.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.
Ordered. That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee).

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered. That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered. That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of the provisions of subsection (3) of section five of the Air Navigation Act, 1936, praying that the Air Navigation (Licensing of Public Transport) Order, 1938 (Revocation) Order, 1939, be made in the terms of the draft laid before Parliament.—(Captain Balfour.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn.—(Sir James Edmondson)—It passed in the Negative.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prices of Goods Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prices of Goods Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

India and Burman (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burman (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Criminal Justice Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Wednesday, 11th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

SECRETARY Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Report by the Secretary of State, as required by Section 1 (7) of the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1939, as to the Expulsion, Registration and Prohibition Orders made under the Act during the period 28th July 1939 to 30th September 1939, inclusive.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 5th October 1939—
(1) amending Regulation 93 of the Defence Regulations, 1939;
(2) making Regulations entitled the Defence (Local Government) (Scotland) Regulations, 1939.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Execution of Trusts (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.
Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.
(Captain Dugdale.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 9 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.

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—
(Captain Dugdale);
And, it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and 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 Prices of Goods Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Deer and Ground Game Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — Adjournment.
(Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 182.]

Thursday, 12th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hugh O'Neill presented, pursuant to the Government-direc-tions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order entitled the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1939.
Acts.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 10th October 1939, entitled the Rent Restrictions Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Prevention of Violence (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1939, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant October, be printed.

No. 173.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Finance (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Education (Emergency) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Education (Emergency) (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Secretary Sir John Anderson, supported by Mr. Secretary C wolles, Mr. Elliot, Mr. Attorney-General, and Mr. Peake, presented a Bill to postpone elections of local authorities, to postpone the preparation of the register of electors, to suspend certain powers relating to the alteration of the areas or of the constitution of local authorities, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Adjournment day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—(Captain Margesson);

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assent, General Sir William Pulteney, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Finance (No. 2) Act, 1939.

2. Solicitors (Disciplinary Committee) Act, 1939.
Tuesday, 17th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

War Damage to Property.

Inland Revenue.
Copy of Eighty-second Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Inland Revenue for the year ended 31st March 1939.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hugh O'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Command—Copy of Statement concerning India and the War issued by the Governor-General of India on 17th October 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Shops Acts.
Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Acts by the Councils of the undermentioned local authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Cardiff:
County Palatine of Lancaster, for the urban district of Golborne;
County Palatine of Lancaster, for the urban district of Aspull.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Service Regulations, dated 16th October 1939, entitled the National Service (Armed Forces) (Adjustment of Contracts) Regulations, 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's German Command—Copy of Final Report by the Right Honourable Sir Nevile Henderson, G.C.M.G., on the circumstances leading to the termination of his mission to Berlin. 20th September 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 7th September 1939, entitled—
(1) the Wheat (Anticipated Supply) No. 2 Order, 1939;
(2) the Wheat (Quota Payments: Standard Amount) No. 1 Order, 1939.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the Local Government Superannuation Acts by—
(1) the Barking Borough Council;
(2) the Erith Borough Council.
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:

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

Arthur Woodburn, Esquire, Member for the New Member County of Stirling and Clackmannan (Clackmannan and Eastern Division), was sworn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Elections and Register of Electors (Temporary Provisions) Bill:
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

[No. 183.]

Tuesday, 17th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Elections and Register of Electors (Temporary Provisions) Bill:
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Kerr,]
Yea,
Mr. Buchanan-Hepburn; 222.
Tellers for the [Mr. Stephen,]
Nees,
Mr. McGovern; 0.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Colonel Kerr.)

Adjournment.
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn. —(Colonel Kerr);

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

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.

Prices of Goods Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prices of Goods Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Criminal Justice Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Official Secrets Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjournment.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Waterhouse.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Wednesday, 18th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of International Agreement, revising the Agreement of 1906 respecting the Unification of Pharmacopoeial Formulas for Potent Drugs. Brussels, 20th August 1929. [His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom acceded to this Agreement on 1st August 1929.]

Copy of Notes exchanged between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Turkish Government for the Amendment of the Agreement of 2nd September 1936 regarding Trade and Clearing. Angora, 23rd August 1939.

Copy of Agreement between His Majesty's Treaty Series Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Turkish Republic regarding an Armaments Credit for Turkey. London, 27th May 1938. [Ratifications exchanged at Angora on 17th May 1939.]

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to Treasury directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of International Agreement respecting the Exhibition of Machines and Manufactures of all Countries, at the International Exhibition held at the City of Brussels in the Space of 120 Days, from the 1st August to the 31st October, 1843, at Brussels, 23rd May 1843. London, 27th May 1843.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of International Agreement revising the Agreement of 1906 respecting the Unification of Pharmacopoeial Formulas for Potent Drugs. Brussels, 20th August 1929.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill be now Bill, read a second time, be resumed upon Tuesday next.

Resolved, That the Water Supply Bill be read Water Supply Bill.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon the 10th day of this instant October, That the Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill be now Bill, read a second time, be resumed upon Tuesday next.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Lancaster (Ormskirk Division) in the room of Sir Samuel Thomas Rosbotham, 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.—(Captain Margesson.)

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Order in Council, dated 5th October 1939, amending Regulation 93 of the Defence Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Crookshank presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 22nd September 1939, made by the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Kingsley Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Order, dated 1st October 1939, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order dated 17th January 1939, and included in a volume entitled The King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (1928), as amended by subsequent Orders.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Elections and Register of Electors (Temporary Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Postponement of local elections and extension of term of office of existing councillors and others).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, to leave out from the word "time," to the end of the Clause.—(Mr. Mander.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "elected," in l. 15, stand part of the Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, at the end, to add the words,—

"Provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any council area where the Minister of Health is satisfied that a petition, signed by not less than twenty per centum of the electors, has been presented to him requesting that elections shall be held."

—(Mr. Mander.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 7 and No. 8 agreed to.

Clauses No. 9 and No. 10 amended, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy 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 now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prices of Goods Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn second time;—(The Prime Minister):

The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Original Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.—(Mr. Grimston.)

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, Prices of Goods Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn a second time:

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn second time;—(The Prime Minister):

The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Original Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.—(Mr. Grimston.)

Mr. Stanley, by His Majesty's Command, Prices of Goods Bill.
the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in paying—

(a) to the members of price-regulation committees appointed under the said Act such remuneration (if any), travelling allowances and subsistence allowances, to the secretaries, officers and servants of the committees such remuneration, and such other expenses of the committees, as may be determined by the Board with the approval of the Treasury; and

(b) to a referee appointed under the said Act for the purposes of any appeal relating to the fixing of prices thereunder and to assessors selected to assist him such remuneration, and such other expenses of such a referee or assessors, as may be so determined.

—(Mr. Stanley.)

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 upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 the Second Reading of the Official Secrets 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 Deer and Ground Game (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty of Mutual Assistance between His Majesty in respect of the United Kingdom, the President of the French Republic, and the President of the Turkish Republic, Angora, 19th October 1939. [This Treaty has not been ratified by His Majesty.]

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Grimston.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

[No. 186.]

Tuesday, 24th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Vice-Chamberlain of the Household Air reported to the House, That their Address of the 10th day of this instant October relative to Air Navigation Acts, had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following answer:

I have received your Address praying that the Air Navigation (Licensing of Public Transport) Order, 1939 (Revocation) Order, 1939, be made in the terms of the draft laid before Parliament.

I will comply with your request.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Ashton-under-Lyne in the room of Fred Brown Simpson, Esquire, deceased. — (Sir Charles Edwards.)

Captain Crookshank presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Recommendations of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, dated 28th July 1939, relating to Elastic Lace and Lace Net.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Emergency pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 13th October 1939—

(1) making Regulations, entitled the Defence (Finance) (No. 2) Regulations (Isle of Man), 1939;

(2) amending Regulation 22 of the Defence Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts Shops Act, by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Borough of West Bromwich.
Copy of Regulations, dated 21st October 1939, entitled the Weekly Hours of Young Persons under Sixteen in Factories (Printing and Bookbinding) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hugh O'Neill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments, dated 8th September 1939, to the Resolved Posts (Other Services) Rules, 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade on account of Seamen's Savings Banks, under the authority of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, during the year ended 20th November 1938, and of the Interest thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Regulations, dated 20th September 1939, entitled the Therapeutic Substances Amendment Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 20th October 1939, entitled the Public Health (Preservatives, &c., in Food) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Regulations, dated 1st October 1939, made under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, entitled the Sale of Milk Regulations, 1939.

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 Rules, dated 19th October 1939, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (No. 2), 1939.

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

—(Captain Dugdale.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that the Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) (Civilians) Scheme, 1939, dated 14th September 1939, was made under Section 1 of the Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939, a
copy of which Scheme was presented to this House on the 15th day of September last, be annulled—(Mrs. Adamson);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Mathers; 113.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Munro; 137.

So it passed in the Negative.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Shops Acts.

SECRETARY Sir John Anderson, presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Bath.

Copy of Regulations, dated 19th October 1939, entitled the Net Mending (Overtime) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th October 1939, entitled the National Service (Armed Forces) (Postponement Certificates) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir John Anderson, presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Bath.

Copy of Regulations, dated 19th October 1939, entitled the Net Mending (Overtime) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th October 1939, entitled the National Service (Armed Forces) (Postponement Certificates) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time, be resumed to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Coleville reported from the Committee on Prices of Goods [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to prevent the price of goods being raised above a basic price by more than an amount referable to increases in certain specified expenses, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in paying—

(a) to the members of price-regulation committees appointed under the said Act such remuneration (if any), travelling allowances and subsistence allowances, to the secretaries, officers and servants of the committees such remuneration, and such other expenses of the committees, as may be determined by the Board with the approval of the Treasury; and

(b) to a referee appointed under the said Act for the purposes of any appeal relating to fixing prices thereunder and to assessors selected to assist him such remuneration, and such other expenses of such a referee or assessors, as may be so determined.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved Prices of Goods Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Basic Price).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out the word " first," and insert the word " twenty-first."—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

Question proposed, That the word " first" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 14, at the end, to add the words:—

" (5) There shall be exhibited in a prominent place accessible to buyers on any premises where price-regulated goods are sold the basic price of such goods; and a seller of such price-regulated goods shall, on request by a buyer or prospective buyer, inform such buyer or prospective buyer of the basic price of such goods."—(Mr. Silkin.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Power of Board of Trade to specify basic price, permitted increase, or permitted price).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 21, to leave out from the word " If," to the word " it," in l. 23.—(Mr. Silkin.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out to the word " in," in l. 23, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Penalty for selling at more than permitted price).

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Penalty for selling at more than permitted price).

An Amendment made.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words " and (c) where the contravention occurs in connection with a wholesale transaction, be ordered by the court to refund to any purchaser the difference between the price paid and the permitted price.)
—(Mr. Shinwell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 39, to leave out the word " third," and insert the word " second."—(Mr. Edey Davies.)

Question proposed, That the word " third " stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause No. 8 (Enforcement by price-regulation committees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words,—
" Provided that so far as reasonably practicable the price-regulation committees, appointed by the Board of Trade in pursuance of this section, shall include—
(a) persons who appear to the Board to be experienced in matters of finance or accountancy;
(b) persons who appear to the Board to have technical knowledge of matters relating to trading in different descriptions of price-regulated goods; and
(c) persons who appear to the Board to be qualified to represent the interests of buyers of such goods."
—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 33, after the word " Act," to insert the words " to investigate alleged contraventions of the provisions of section one of this Act when so referred to them by the Board of Trade."
—(Mr. Spens.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 1, to leave out from the word " shall " to the end of l. 7, and insert the words " institute proceedings accordingly."—(Mr. Shinwell.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words,—
" (5) The public shall not be admitted to any meeting of a price-regulation committee at which a person alleging a contravention of this Act is heard by such committee and the proceedings of such committee shall be private."
—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 28, at the end, to insert the words,—
" (6) It shall be the duty of a local price-regulation committee to investigate complaints concerning the unreasonable raising in price of non-price-regulated goods and the committee shall in appropriate cases make a report with regard to such cases to the central price-regulation committee with a view to an order being made by the Board of Trade under section five of this Act. The Board of Trade shall in appropriate cases publish this report with the names of the articles and firms concerned."
—(Mr. Mander.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 29, after the word " shall," to insert the words " include among its members representatives of working-class organisations (one of whom shall be a woman) but otherwise shall."—(Mr. Ammon.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 9 to No. 11 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Exception for sales by auction, or for export).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 19, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Silkin.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 22, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Shinwell.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word " sale," in l. 22, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 14 to No. 16 agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Offences by corporations).

Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 43, to leave out the word " or," and insert the word " and."
—(Mr. Silkin.)

Question proposed, That the word " or " stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 18 agreed to.

Clause No. 19 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 20 and No. 21 agreed to.

A Clause (Meaning in this Act of the expression " offer ").—(Mr. Attorney-General),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

First Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 5, after the word " Cost," to insert the words " (at the current market prices)."—(Rear-Admiral Beamish.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 14, at the end, to insert the words " costs of packing, packages, and containers."
—(Rear-Admiral Beamish.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment made.

Second Schedule agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Report of Ways and Means, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply: Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means: Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Resolved, That this House now adjourn. —(Sir James Edmondson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 26th October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 13th October 1939, entitled the Egypt Amendment Order in Council, 1939.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 13th October 1939, approving an Admiralty Memo-rial under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, relating to the extension of Field Allowance to certain Officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines in times of war.

Copy of Statute made by the University of Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Acts.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the Trade directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th October 1939, entitled the Trade Boards (Sugar Confectionery and Food Preserving Trade, Great Britain) (Constitution and Proceeding) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Emergency pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 19th October 1939—

1. adding Regulation 63A to the Defence Regulations, 1939;
2. amending Regulation 62 of the Defence Regulations, 1939;
3. adding Regulation 46A to, and amending Regulations 53 and 100 of, the Defence Regulations, 1939;
4. adding Regulation 51A to the Defence Regulations, 1939;
5. adding Regulation 42A to the Defence Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th October 1939, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 48) (Percy Circus, Finsbury) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Local Elections and Register of Electors (Temporary Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to postpone the operation of the Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) Act, 1939; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) (Postponement) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant October, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (High Court Judges) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (High Court Judges) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant October, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant October, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant October, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant October, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament.

And the Question being again proposed:—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the draft laid before 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.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.
[No. 189.]

Tuesday, 31st October 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Addresses of the 26th day of this instant October, relative to Government of India Act, 1935, and Government of Burma Act, 1935 (Orders), had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Addresses praying that the Government of India (High Court Judges) (Amendment) Order, 1939; the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1939; the Government of India (Governmenters' Allowances and Privileges) (Amendment) Order, 1939; the Government of India (Adaptation of Acts of Parliament) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1939; and the Government of Burma (Existing Railway Funds) Order, 1939, be made in the form of the respective drafts laid before Parliament.

I will comply with your request.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Lieutenant-Colonel Anthony John Murhead, M.C., late Member for the County of Somerset (Wells Division), and desire to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives.

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. 93:


Copy of Papers concerning the Treatment of German Nationals in Germany, 1938-1939.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 24th October 1939, made under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, entitled the Public Health (Preservatives, &c., in Food) Amendment Regulations (Scotland) 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in England under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament chargeable on the revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended on the 30th September 1939, with the rates of interest and total amount payable thereon, and the date of the termination of each loan, the debt incurred during the half-year, the moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the loans outstanding at the close of the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of List of Exceptions to the King’s Regulations as to Pay, Non-Effective Allowances, and the French Government extending to Burma the Agreement of 15th July 1938.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account of His Majesty’s High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland, in respect of the functions transferred under the Northern Ireland Land Purchase (Winding Up) Act, 1935, for the year ended 31st March 1939, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Commander William Stephen Richard King, New Member for the County of Lancaster (Ormskirk Division), was sworn.

The Cotton Industry (Reorganisation) (Post-pomement) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. (Mr. James Stuart.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Prices of Goods Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Right of buyer to avoid prohibited transaction, or to recover excess price).—(Mr. Solicitor-General.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time;


Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:


And the Question being again proposed, That the Clause (Right of buyer to avoid prohibited transaction, or to recover excess price) be read a second time;

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Clause was accordingly read a second time, and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order in Council amending the Defence Regulations, dated the 1st day of September 1939, made under Section 1 of the Emergency Powers (Defence) Act, 1939, a copy of which was presented to this House on the 3rd day of September last, be annulled.—(Mr. Foot);

The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Water Third Reading of the Water Supply Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of this instant October, That the Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit until one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Resolved, That, whilst this House recognises the unprecedented strain placed upon our finances by the demands of the war, it trusts that the Government will nevertheless pursue their investigation into the possibility of effecting improvements or adjustments in the present scheme of old age pensions as proposed by the Prime Minister on 27th July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, Justice 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 Official Secret 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 twenty-five minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 27th October 1939, applying Section 35 of the Solicitors Act, 1832, to the High Court and to the territory of Northern Rhodesia.

Copy of Order in Council (Provisional), dated 27th October 1939, made under the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act, 1929, entitled the Circuit (Monmouthshire) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 27th October 1939, entitled the Ireland (Extradition: Commonwealth of Australia) Order in Council, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 27th October 1939—

(1) amending the Defence Regulations, 1939;

(2) amending the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Sixth Annual Report and Accounts of the London Passenger Transport Board for the year ended 30th June 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stanley, supported by Mr. Solicitor-General, Captain Crookshank, and Major Lloyd George, presented a Bill to restrict the distribution of circulars, and the publication of advertisements, relating to the insurance of property against war risks, to provide for the imposition of certain conditions and requirements in cases where permission for such distribution or publication is granted, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

Copy of Provisional Rules, dated 6th November 1939, entitled the Unemployment Assistance (Appeal Tribunals) (Amendment) (No. 2) Provisionsal Rules, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, by Royal His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Thirty-fifth Report of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation, for 1938.

Secretary Sir John Anderson also presented, Emergency pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 5th October 1939, making Regulations entitled—

(1) the Defence (Summer Time) Regulations, 1939;

(2) the Defence (Grants and Loans) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the National Service (Armed Forces) Act, entitled the National Service (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 27th October 1939, entitled the National Service (Armed Forces) Act, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the University of Oxford on the 6th day of June 1939, amending the Statutes of the University.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Eliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 23rd October 1939, made under the Public Health Act, 1936, entitled—

(1) the Measles and Whooping Cough Regulations, 1939;
(2) the County of London (Measles and Whooping Cough) Amendment Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Scheme made by the Leeds County Borough Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Gilmour presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the Coasting Vessels Mutual War Risks Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the British Fishing Vessels Mutual War Risks Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the British Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the Britannia Steam Ship Insurance Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the Newcastle War Risks Indemnity Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the Sunderland Steamship Mutual War Risks Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the London Steamship Owners’ Mutual Insurance Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the Standard Steamship Owners’ Mutual War Risks Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the United Kingdom Mutual War Risks Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the West of England Mutual War Risks Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the Liverpool and London War Risks Insurance Association, Limited.

Copy of Agreement for the re-insurance of British ships against King’s Enemy Risks between the Board of Trade and the North of England Protecting and Indemnity Association.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Resolved, That—

(1) The Treasury may borrow in such manner as they think fit on the security of the Consolidated Fund—

(a) any sums required for raising any supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March nineteen hundred and forty; and

(b) an additional sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty million pounds; and

(c) any sums required for the repayment of any maturing securities issued or deemed to have been issued under the War Loan Acts, 1914 to 1919, or any provision thereof or issued under any Act of the present Session for giving effect to this Resolution, or of any Treasury bills or Ways and Means advances;

(2) The Treasury may, for the purpose of carrying out any arrangement for the exchange of Government securities, create and issue new securities and undertake to make payments to holders of securities surrendered in pursuance of the arrangement;

(3) any Act of the present Session for giving effect to the foregoing provisions of this Resolution may contain any provisions incidental thereto or consequential thereon, including, in particular, provisions—

(a) charging on the Consolidated Fund—

(i) the principal of and interest on securities issued under the Act;

(ii) any expenses incurred in connection with the raising of money or the issue or redemption of securities under the Act;

(iii) any remuneration payable to the Bank of England or the Bank of Ireland in respect of the management of securities issued under the Act;
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 Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restriction of Advertisements (War Risks Insurance) 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Munro):—It passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Water Supply Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of October last, That the Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at six minutes before Ten of the clock, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and 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 Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restriction of Advertisement (War Risks Insurance) 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Munro):—It passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Water Supply Bill;

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The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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National Loans.

That—

(1) The Treasury may borrow in such manner as they think fit on the security of the Consolidated Fund—

(a) any sums required for raising any supply granted to His Majesty for the service of any sinking fund established under the Act ;
(b) any additional sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty million pounds; and
(c) any sums required for the repayment of any maturing securities issued or deemed to have been issued under the War Loan Acts, 1914 to 1919, or any provision thereof or issued under any Act of the present Session for giving effect to this Resolution, or of any Treasury bills or Ways and Means advances ;

(2) The Treasury may, for the purpose of carrying out any arrangement for the exchange of Government securities, create and issue new securities and undertake to make payments to holders of securities surrendered in pursuance of the arrangement ;

(3) Any Act of the present Session for giving effect to the foregoing provisions of this Resolution may contain any provisions incidental thereto or consequential thereon, including, in particular, provisions—

(a) charging on the Consolidated Fund—

(i) the principal of and interest on securities issued under the Act ;
(ii) any expenses incurred in connection with the raising of money or the issue or redemption of securities under the Act ;
(iii) any remuneration payable to the Bank of England or the Bank of Ireland in respect of the management of securities issued under the Act ;
(iv) any money required for the purpose of any sinking fund established under the Act or for the purpose of carrying out any such arrangement for the exchange of securities as aforesaid ;

(b) authorising the payment into the Exchequer of any money received by the Treasury in pursuance of any such arrangement ;

(c) enabling money raised by the issue of national savings certificates to be applied for any purpose for which money may be raised under the Act ;

(d) authorising the Treasury to borrow under the Act money which, by virtue of any other Act, they are authorised to borrow under subsection (1) of section one of the War Loan Act, 1919.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restriction of Advertisement (War Risks Insurance) 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 India and Burma (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice 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 Official Secrets Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 194.]

Thursday, 9th November 1939.

The House met at quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between the Government of the United Kingdom and the French Government regarding the French Telegraph Cable between Mauritius and Réunion. Paris, 13th September 1939. [The Convention has not been ratified by the Government of the United Kingdom.]

Copy of Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Italian Government to facilitate Economic Collaboration (with Protocol). Rome, 27th October 1939. [The Agreement has not been ratified by the Government of the United Kingdom.]

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the Finance Act, 1923, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd November 1939, made under the Finance Act, 1923, relating to the Relief from Double Income Tax on Air Transport Profits (France) Declaration, 1939.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd November 1939, entitled the Air Navigation (Amendment) [No. 3] Order, 1939.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd November, 1939, made under the War Office Act, 1870, making further provision for the constitution of the Army Council.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd November, 1939, entitled the Forestry (Transfer of Lands from the Commissioners of Crown Lands) Order, No. 7 of 1939.

Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Universities Body of St. John's College, Cambridge, on the 26th day of May 1939, amending the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hugh O'Neill presented, by His Majesty's India and Command,—Copy of Announcement concerning the War, India and the War, published by the Governor-General of India on 6th November 1939, and Correspondence connected therewith.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, Young pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 4th November 1939, made under the Young Persons (Employment) Act, 1938, entitled the News Agencies and Communications Companies (Messengers) Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon Pensions Acts the Question proposed upon the 9th day of December last, That the Pensions Acts (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time, be resumed 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 agreed to the Prices of Goods Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision for promoting economy and efficiency in the carrying on under war conditions of the work of certain chartered and other bodies not being local authorities; for enabling certain Universities and colleges to adapt themselves to war conditions; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Prices of Goods Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

The Chartered and Other Bodies (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Adjourned.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(Sir Samuel Hoare.)

The National Loans Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.—(Captain Dugdale.)

The Restriction of Advertisement (War Risks Insurance) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.—(Colonel Kerr.)

Adjourned. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.— (Colonel Kerr.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

[No. 195.]

Tuesday, 14th November 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Coleville presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 2nd November 1939, made under the National Health Insurance Acts, 1936 to 1938, and the Dundee Corporation Order, 1939, as confirmed by the Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance (Dundee Burgh Boundaries) Order, 1939.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Acts by the Council of the under-mentioned local authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for Scotland.—

Burgh of Cowdenbeath.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 31st October 1939, made under the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939, entitled the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (War Occupations) Regulations, 1939.

Copy of Thirty-sixth Annual Report of the Metropolitan Water Board, for the year ended 31st March 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Anderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council—

(1) dated 21st September 1939, amending Regulation 53 (2) of the Defence Regulations, 1939;

(2) dated 21st September 1939, making Regulations, entitled the Defence (War Risks Insurance) Regulations, 1939;

(3) dated 27th October 1939, entitled the Defence (War Risks Insurance) Regulations Amendment Order, 1939;

(4) dated 3rd November 1939, entitled the Defence (War Risks Insurance) Regulations Amendment (No. 2) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Colville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 8th November 1939, made under the Rating (Scotland) Act, 1926, entitled the Stirling Corporation Water Rate (Application of Rating Act) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Wallace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 23rd October 1939, made under the Civil Defence Act, 1939, entitled the Central Electricity Board (Civil Defence) Borrowing Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme, dated 14th November 1939, made under the Agricultural Development Act, 1939, entitled the Barley (Supplementary) Scheme, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That all the remaining stages of the Business of National Loans Bill may be taken at this day’s Sitting, notwithstanding the practice of the House relating to the interval between the various stages of such a Bill.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Special Entry. And it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their Privileges, 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.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Grimston.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 196.]

Wednesday, 15th November 1939.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Chester (Macclesfield Division), in the room of John Rumney Remer, Esquire, who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Captain Margesson.)

Treaty Series

Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Chinese Government regarding the Air Service between South-West China and British Ports. Chungking, 24th January 1939.

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Copy of Notes exchanged between the Governments of the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand and India and the Netherlands Government regarding Documents of Identity for Aircraft Personnel. The Hague, 21st August 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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 His Majesty during the present emergency by Order in Council to direct that any Bill which has passed certain stages in either House of Parliament in any Session may be introduced into the same House in the following Session and may be thereupon treated in that House as if it had passed in that Session some or all of the stages which it had in fact passed in the previous Session—(Sir Richard Acland);

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. 10:—And it passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Loans Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

First to Third Schedules agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Chartered and Other Bodies (Temporary Provisions) Bill (Lords.)

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Power to reduce number of members of statutory bodies, &c.). Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 7, after the word last inserted, to insert the words "after consultation with any interested parties to nominate or appoint any person as a member of such corporation or body."—(Mr. Frankel.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Emergency statutes for Universities and colleges).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 2, after the word "behalf," to insert the words "of the governing body."—(Mr. Harvey.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, at the end, to add the words:—

"(4) In respect of the Scottish Universities nothing in this section shall interfere with the right of the general councils of the Universities to have all proposed ordinances and regulations submitted to them for their observations. Should His Majesty, by Order in Council, make any reduction of the period within which the general councils may consider and make representations on any such ordinances and regulations, it shall be lawful for the business committees of the councils to make representations on behalf of the councils."—(Sir John Graham Kerr.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 4 to No. 7 agreed to.

A Clause (Provision as to Orders in Council),—(Mr. Dalton),—brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended in l. 6, by adding, at the end, the words "(2) Section one of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, shall not apply to any Order in Council made under this Act."—(Mr. Attorney-General),—and, as amended, added.

Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, to leave out l. 4 and 5.—(Mr. Ede.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Restriction of Advertisement (War Risks Insurance) Bill.

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Requirements as to carrying on business where permission granted under s. 1).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 19, to leave out the words "in addition to imposing," and insert the word "impose."—(Sir Herbert Williams.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made:
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 3 agreed to.
Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 5 to No. 7 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Lindsay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Act, 1921. Provisional Regulations, dated 11th November 1939; entitled the Elementary Education Grant Provisional Regulations, 1939.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Brown presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Regulations, dated 16th November 1939, Acts.

(1) the Unemployment Insurance (Excluded Persons on board His Majesty's Ships) Regulations, 1939;
(2) the Unemployment Insurance (Benefit) (Recognised or Customary Holiday) Regulations, 1939;

with Reports of the Unemployment Insurance Statutory Committee on the drafts thereof, and statements by the Minister of Labour and National Service, in pursuance of the provisions of Subsection (6) of Section 104 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1935.

Copy of Order, dated 16th November 1939, Unemployment Insurance (Banking Industry Special Scheme) (Variation) Order, Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the National Loans Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Chartered and Other Bodies (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Captain Margesson);


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:


Adjournment. And the Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn; And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Order, dated 15th November 1939, entitled the County Court Fees (Amendment) Order, 1939.

Ordered, That the Report which, upon the 5th day of April last, was made from the Select Committee on the Official Secrets Acts, be now taken into consideration.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That this House doth agree with the Committee in their conclusions.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the Supplementary Scheme under the Agricultural Development Act, 1939, varying the estimated average price for home-grown barley provided for in the Barley Scheme, 1939, and making certain consequential amendments, a copy of which was presented to this House on the 15th day of November, be approved.—(Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of October last, That the Conscription of Wealth (Preparatory Provisions) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment.

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 West, Parliament for the County of Lancaster (Stretford Division), in the room of Anthony Crommelin Crosseley, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Grimston.)

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 West, Parliament for the County of Lancaster (Stretford Division), in the room of Anthony Crommelin Crosseley, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Grimston.)

Ordered, That this House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Butler presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Turkish Government amending the Agreement of 27th May 1938, regarding Trade and Clearing. Angora, 10th October 1939.
Copy of Notes exchanged between the Government of the Union of South Africa and the Egyptian Government regarding Commercial Relations. Cairo, 8th and 31st May 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Horo-Belisha 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 Monmouth, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, as amended by the Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return respecting application of Standing Order No. 26 (Closure of Debate) during Session 1938–39 (1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:—

1. Date when Closure moved, and by whom.
2. Question before House or Committee moved.
3. Whether Motion or Committee referred to Speaker or Chairman.
4. Whether assent given to Motion or withdrawn by Speaker or Chairman.
5. Assent withheld because, in the opinion of the Chair, a decision would shortly be arrived at without that Motion.

Result of Motion, etc., if a Division, Numbers for and against.

(1) The Deputy Chairman.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Private Bills a Return of the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, introduced into the House of Commons and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed in Session 1938–39:

Of all the Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which in Session 1938–39 have been reported on by Committees on Opposed Private Bills or by Committees nominated partly by the House and partly by the Committee ofSelection to the Committee on Unopposed Bills or by the Committee of Selection to the Committee on Unopposed Bills, and of Acts passed in Session 1938–39:

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House Public Bills a Return of the number of Public Bills, distinguishing Government from other Bills introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, during Session 1938–39; showing the number which received the Royal

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House. That a Message from the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Restriction of Advertisements (War Risks Insurance) Bill, without any Amendment.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow at Twelve of the clock, and that no Questions be taken after One of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Margesson):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Official Secrets Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the 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 now taken into consideration:

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Resolved, That the Public Trustee shall be the House of Commons Members’ Fund Act, and that Sir George Courthope, Mr. Owen Evans, Mr. Lees-Smith, Mr. Marshall, 1939. Sir Henry Morris-Jones, and Mr. Spens shall be Managing Trustees of the said Fund, in pursuance of section two of the House of Commons Members’ Fund Act, 1939.—(Mr. Grimston.)

Resolved, That the Public Trustee shall be House of Custodian Trustee of the House of Commons Members’ Fund, and that Sir George Courthope, Fund Act, 1939.

Mr. Grimston.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Official made by this House to the Official Secrets Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Sir Annesley Somerville reported from the Public Committee on Public Petitions: That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 1st and 21st days of this instant November, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, G.C.V.O., 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 Royal Assent, Majesty's Commissions, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commissions read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the Lords, thereby authorised, declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:


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,
The shadow of war has once more fallen over Europe.

Despite the efforts of My Government to preserve peace, Germany, in violation of her solemn undertakings, wantonly invaded Poland. This new instance of German aggression and bad faith was a challenge which we could not have declined without dishonour to ourselves and without peril to the cause of freedom and the progress of mankind.

We seek no material gain. Liberty and free institutions are our birthright which we, like our forefathers, are resolved to preserve.

Members of the House of Commons,
I thank you for your ready acceptance of the heavy financial burdens rendered necessary as a contribution towards meeting the severe expense of war. So prompt and ungrudging a response has deeply impressed the world and demonstrates the unflinching determination of My people to make every sacrifice necessary for victory.
My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

The issue is clear. With united will My peoples here and overseas have dedicated themselves to the struggle. The spontaneous decision of My Dominions to participate in the conflict and the invaluable help which they are giving, and are about to give, to the common cause have been of the greatest encouragement to Me. With the aid of our faithful French and Polish allies we cannot doubt that our cause will prevail.

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your labours.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

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 Majesty's Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Tuesday the Twenty-eighth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.
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