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IN THE FIRST AND SECOND YEARS OF THE REIGN OF HIS MAJESTY

KING GEORGE THE SIXTH.

BEING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF NEW ZEALAND.



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SECOND SESSION—TWENTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

Thursday, the 9th Day of September, 1937.

The Second Session of the Twenty-fifth Parliament of New Zealand, begun and holden in the City of Wellington on the ninth day of September, in the first year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Sixth, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, and in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven; on which day, being the first day of the meeting of this Parliament for the despatch of business, the House met at half after two of the clock p.m., pursuant to a Proclamation (hereunto annexed) by His Excellency the Right Honourable George Vere Arundell, Viscount Galway, Lieutenant-Colonel on the Retired List and in the Reserve of Officers of His Majesty's Army, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over His Majesty's Dominion of New Zealand and its dependencies; and issued under the Seal of that Dominion at the Government House, at Wellington, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven.

1. *Clerk authorized to administer the Oath or Affirmation.*—A Commission from His Excellency the Governor-General to the Clerk of the House, authorizing him to administer the oath or affirmation required by law to the Members of the House, was read, as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General.

To all to whom these presents shall come: Greeting.

IN pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, George Vere Arundell, Viscount Galway, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby authorize—

THOMAS DONALD HORN HALL, Esquire, LL.B.,

Clerk of the House of Representatives of the said Dominion, to administer to all or any Member or Members of the said House of Representatives the oath or affirmation of allegiance to His Majesty the King required to be taken or made and subscribed, under section 3 of the Demise of the Crown Act, 1908, by every such Member before he shall be permitted to sit or vote in the said House.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of that Dominion, this 9th day of September, 1937.

M. J. SAVAGE, Prime Minister.

2. *Mr. Speaker takes the Oath.*—Mr. Speaker, standing on the upper step of the Chair, took and subscribed the oath of allegiance to His Majesty King George the Sixth.

3. *Administration of Oath or Affirmation to Members.*—The following Members, having taken and subscribed the oath or affirmation of allegiance to His Majesty King George the Sixth, took their seats in the House :—

William Theophilus Anderton, Esquire, Member for Eden ;
Harry Atmore, Esquire, Member for Nelson ;
James Gillispie Barclay, Esquire, Member for Marsden ;
David Barnes, Esquire, Member for Waitaki ;
Charles Abraham Barrell, Esquire, Member for Hamilton ;
Charles Harris Burnett, Esquire, Member for Tauranga ;
Thomas David Burnett, Esquire, Member for Temuka ;
Archibald Campbell, Esquire, Member for Chalmers ;
The Reverend Clyde Leonard Carr, Member for Timaru ;
Charles Henry Chapman, Esquire, Member for Wellington North ;
Hubert Maxwell Christie, Esquire, Member for Waipawa ;
The Right Honourable Joseph Gordon Coates, Member for Kaipara ;
The Honourable John George Cobbe, Member for Oroua ;
David William Coleman, Esquire, Member for Gisborne ;
Robert Coulter, Esquire, Member for Waikato ;
Edward Lutterell Cullen, Esquire, Member for Hawke's Bay ;
William Mortimer Clarence Denham, Esquire, Member for Invercargill ;
Harold Galt Dickie, Esquire, Member for Patea ;
William Phillips Endean, Esquire, Member for Parnell ;
The Right Honourable George William Forbes, Member for Hurunui ;
The Honourable Peter Fraser, Member for Wellington Central ;
The Honourable Adam Hamilton, Member for Wallace ;
Colonel James Hargest, Member for Awarua ;
Horace Edgar Herring, Esquire, Member for Mid-Canterbury ;
Joseph Hodgens, Esquire, Member for Palmerston ;
Sidney George Holland, Esquire, Member for Christchurch North ;
Keith Jacka Holyoake, Esquire, Member for Motueka ;
Edwin John Howard, Esquire, Member for Christchurch South ;
Axel Gordon Hultquist, Esquire, Member for Bay of Plenty ;
Clifford Lorrie Hunter, Esquire, Member for Manawatu ;
The Honourable Frederick Jones, Member for Dunedin South ;
Herbert Seton Stewart Kyle, Esquire, Member for Riccarton ;
The Honourable Frank Langstone, Member for Waimarino ;
John Alexander Lee, Esquire, Member for Grey Lynn ;
Leonard George Lowry, Esquire, Member for Otaki ;
William John Lyon, Esquire, Member for Waitemata ;
Terence Henderson McCombs, Esquire, Member for Lyttelton ;
David McDougall, Esquire, Member for Mataura ;
Robert McKeen, Esquire, Member for Wellington South ;
The Honourable William Lee Martin, Member for Raglan ;
The Honourable Henry Greathead Rex Mason, Member for Auckland Suburbs ;
Edwin Purcell Meachen, Esquire, Member for Wairau ;
Alexander Francis Moncur, Esquire, Member for Rotorua ;
James Wright Munro, Esquire, Member for Dunedin North ;
The Honourable Walter Nash, Member for Hutt ;
The Reverend Arnold Henry Nordmeyer, Member for Oamaru ;
James O'Brien, Esquire, Member for Westland ;
Arthur George Osborne, Esquire, Member for Manukau ;
The Honourable William Edward Parry, Member for Auckland Central ;
Charles Robert Petrie, Esquire, Member for Hauraki ;
William John Polson, Esquire, Member for Stratford ;
The Honourable Sir Ethelbert Alfred Ransom, K.C.M.G., Member for Pahiatua ;
Arthur Shapton Richards, Esquire, Member for Roskill ;
Benjamin Roberts, Esquire, Member for Wairarapa ;
John Robertson, Esquire, Member for Masterton ;
James Alexander McLean Roy, Esquire, Member for Clutha ;
Captain Harold Montague Rushworth, Member for Bay of Islands ;
The Right Honourable Michael Joseph Savage, Member for Auckland West ;
The Honourable Robert Semple, Member for Wellington East ;
Arthur Clifton Axford Sexton, Esquire, Member for Franklin ;
Sydney George Smith, Esquire, Member for New Plymouth ;

The Honourable Daniel Giles Sullivan, Member for Avon ;
James Thorn, Esquire, Member for Thames ;
Eruera Tihema Tirikatene, Esquire, Member for Southern Maori ;
The Honourable Patrick Charles Webb, Member for Buller ;
Charles Morgan Williams, Esquire, Member for Kaiapoi ;
George Hamish Ormond Wilson, Esquire, Member for Rangitikei ;
Robert Alexander Wright, Esquire, Member for Wellington Suburbs.

4. *Mr. Speaker takes the Chair.*—After twenty Members had been sworn, Mr. Speaker, who had been standing on the upper step of the Chair, took the Chair.

5. *Opening of Parliament.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage communicated to the House that His Excellency the Governor-General would, at fifteen minutes after three of the clock p.m. this day, declare in person the cause of his summoning this meeting of Parliament.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-six minutes after two of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair until fifteen minutes after three of the clock p.m.

And the hour of fifteen minutes after three of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

PRAYERS.

6. *Summons to attend His Excellency.*—Summons to attend His Excellency the Governor-General, by Captain Douglas Isaac Charles Bryan, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :—

MR. SPEAKER,—

His Excellency the Governor-General desires the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency.

And the House being returned ;

7. *Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, a Bill intituled "An Act to continue the Operation of certain Expiring Laws" was read a first time *pro forma*.

8. *His Excellency's Speech.*—Mr. Speaker reported that when the House did attend His Excellency the Governor-General this day in the Legislative Council Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which Speech Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy, which he laid upon the Table of the House, and is as follows :—

HONOURABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—

The Accession and Coronation of His Majesty King George VI have been welcomed in this Dominion with universal approbation and with warm attachment to the Throne and to the persons of Their present Majesties. My Prime Minister was privileged to represent New Zealand at the Coronation ceremony in London, and the popular enthusiasm so unmistakably displayed throughout His Majesty's Dominions has, in the opinion of my Advisers, provided conclusive proof of the value of the Throne to the British Commonwealth of Nations.

During this year my Ministers invited the public to contribute towards a fund for the provision of a Dominion memorial to His late Majesty King George V in the form of Children's Health Camps. It is gratifying indeed to record the magnificent response that all sections of the community, and both races, made to this appeal. Legislative proposals for the administration of this fund will be placed before you during the present session.

The Dominion was represented at the recent Imperial Conference by my Prime Minister, my Minister of Finance, and the High Commissioner for New Zealand in London. A report of the proceedings will be laid before you at an early date, and an opportunity will be afforded for a full discussion of the work of the Conference.

Foreign Affairs was one of the principal subjects discussed at the Imperial Conference, and my Government, as a result of this discussion, desire to reaffirm their attachment to the principles of the Covenant of the League of Nations, and their conviction that a collective system for the maintenance of the peace of the world is the only rational and effective means of achieving that end and of facilitating that general disarmament which they so ardently desire.

A further subject which received close consideration at the Imperial Conference was Defence, and my Prime Minister warmly appreciates and acknowledges the value of the information that was placed at his disposal at that time, and the advice and assistance that, in response to every request, was so freely and generously made available by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

The necessary steps have been taken for the more efficient co-ordination and administration of all branches of the Defence services of the Dominion, and legislative measures to that end will be placed before you during this session.

New Zealand was represented at the recent International Labour Conference by my Minister of Labour, who also took the opportunity of his visit to study industrial legislation and conditions in Europe and America. It is the intention of my Government to lay before you proposals for the ratification of a number of Conventions already adopted by the International Labour Conference.

The substantial material progress which this Dominion has made since I last addressed you is most encouraging. The value of the exports for the season ended 30th June last reached the highest figure ever recorded, and the internal trade of the Dominion has also been very buoyant, largely due, in the opinion of my Advisers, to the increased purchasing-power in the hands of the consuming public brought about by my Government's legislation to raise standards of living.

The satisfactory prices obtained for our products overseas, the reduction in local unemployment, and the general increase in national income stand out in striking and welcome relief after the unhappy years of depression. All sections of the community have enjoyed a much greater degree of prosperity, and my Ministers are confident that these happy conditions will be maintained and improved.

While the number of persons unemployed has shown a very substantial reduction, the problem of promoting employment and relieving distress—one of the major questions that has faced all countries since the depression—nevertheless continues to receive the closest attention of my Ministers. A properly planned and vigorous public-works policy, including river-protection works, and embracing every class of national work necessary for the development and prosperity of the Dominion, was commenced without delay. Considerably more men have been given full-time employment on public works and in secondary industries than in any previous year. It is proposed to provide facilities for the training of youths and men, including farm workers, by introducing courses of vocational instruction.

During the recess my Advisers have initiated inquiries into the fruit and vegetable industry, the fishing industry, and the tobacco industry, and the necessary measures are being taken for the knowledge so obtained to be applied in the best interests of the community.

The facilities provided by the Primary Products Marketing Department have been extended by the organization of the internal marketing of primary products.

When my Government assumed office there was a marked shortage of houses, and the problem of housing the people of the Dominion has occasioned my Advisers much concern. To meet this urgent need a Department of Housing Construction has been established under the control of a Parliamentary Under-Secretary. The first contracts for State houses were signed in March of this year; good progress has since been made, and the work is being rapidly accelerated.

My Government have attached great importance to the co-ordination of transport services and also to the principle of safety on the roads. A considerable reduction in fatalities has already been achieved as a result of the measures they have taken, and it is their intention to propose legislative amendments to further this object.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—

During the recess my Minister of Finance, Customs, and Marketing has visited Great Britain for the purpose of discussing, with His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, the question of trade between Great Britain and New Zealand, and negotiations for a trade agreement, having as its objective a mutual expansion of trade, are still proceeding. My Minister took advantage of his visit abroad to discuss with His Majesty's Government in Canada, and also with the Governments of a number of foreign countries, the trade relationships between them and this Dominion. It is expected that these discussions will, in a number of cases, lead to the conclusion, at an early date, of trade arrangements which should provide increased opportunity for the disposal of this Dominion's primary products. In other cases the possibilities of arranging trade agreements to the benefit of the Dominion are to be further investigated.

The public accounts for the financial year ended 31st March last resulted in a surplus of £472,000, and the Dominion has proved able to provide for the whole of its financial requirements without recourse to overseas markets. Steps were taken, however, to convert, to the extent of £4,000,000, the 6-per-cent. stock, totalling £5,870,000, issued in London in 1921, the balance required to redeem this issue being provided from New Zealand. This conversion loan, issued at 30s. per cent. discount and bearing interest at 3 per cent. per annum, has resulted in a substantial saving in interest charges.

A scheme for invalidity pensions, and for an increase in the rates of existing pensions, both civil and military, inaugurated as a result of legislation passed during last session, has proved of great benefit, and proposals will be placed before you having for their object the extension of the system to cover certain classes of invalids not at present provided for. At the same time, it is my Minister's intention to introduce a comprehensive measure establishing a system of national superannuation and health insurance, the benefits of which it is hoped will be reflected in every household.

HONOURABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—

The welfare and advancement of the Maori people have received the fullest attention of my Government during the past year, and vigorous methods have been pursued in promoting the development and settlement of their lands and in improving their living and housing conditions. It is the intention of my Government to continue and to accelerate these measures for promoting the health, prosperity, and happiness of the Maori race.

My Ministers have in preparation a comprehensive scheme for improving by sport and physical training the health and fitness of the people generally; and the arrangements for the supply of milk to children in schools, which were successfully inaugurated early this year in the principal cities, and which now reach about one-third of the school population, are being extended to other centres. At the same time facilities for the training of school dental nurses have been enlarged, and my Ministers hope to be in a position, very shortly, rapidly to increase the number of school dental clinics.

Preliminary consideration has been given to the reorganization of the education system. The views of educational authorities, associations of teachers, and other bodies interested in education have been obtained, and the recent New Education Fellowship Conference provided an opportunity for obtaining much helpful information from distinguished educationists visiting New Zealand. It is proposed to introduce legislation amending the Education Act, 1914.

Realizing the importance of forestry as a means of creating a valuable national asset, and at the same time of providing employment, my Ministers have under consideration a long-term programme of indigenous forest improvement (having due regard to the necessity of providing for the better preservation of native bush) in addition to the establishment of further exotic plantations.

My Minister of Agriculture is giving full consideration to measures necessary for the improvement of the farming industry and the protection of stock.

During the recess my Minister of Justice and Attorney-General has considered the matter of law reform, with a view to correcting anomalies in the law and ensuring that it should be adequate to meet the needs of justice in the light of modern conditions. With this objective a representative Law Revision Committee has been constituted.

My Advisers propose to lay before you amendments to the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, providing for an extension of the definition of "industry." You will also be asked to extend, for a further period, the operation of the Fair Rents Act, 1936.

A Bill will be introduced for your consideration setting up a Standards Institute, on the lines adopted in Great Britain and other countries, with the object of co-operating with industry and commerce in the establishment of commodity standards where this would be helpful.

Bills will also be submitted for your consideration amending the Coal-mines Act, 1925, the Mining Act, 1926, the Stone-quarries Act, 1910, the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933, as well as measures concerning the duration of Parliament, an alteration in the day of the celebration of His Majesty's birthday, the centennial of New Zealand in 1940, an adjustment of the law relating to damage by motor-vehicles, and for facilitating the search for petroleum in the Dominion. A Bill providing for local government reform will also be introduced.

I earnestly trust that your deliberations on these subjects may be guided by Divine Providence for the welfare and prosperity of the people of this Dominion.

9. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 1.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the Reply from His former Majesty King Edward the Eighth to the Joint Address of the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives on the occasion of His former Majesty's Accession to the Throne.

Government House,

Wellington, 9th September, 1937.

The Reply from His Majesty the King, signed by the King's own hand, was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

"MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NEW ZEALAND—

"I thank you sincerely for your kind message of sympathy to me and for your tribute to my dear father.

"I have received with deep appreciation your assurances of loyalty to me on my Accession to the Throne. I join with you in your prayer that the years to come may bring peace, prosperity, and happiness to all my people."

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved*, That His Majesty King Edward the Eighth's most gracious reply be recorded on the Journals of the House.

10. *Confirmation of Declaration of Abdication.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved*, *nemine contradicente*, That—

Whereas in conformity with the provisions of the preamble to the Statute of Westminster, 1931, the assent of His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand was duly given to the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom intituled His Majesty's Declaration of Abdication Act, 1936: And whereas it is desirable that the assent so given should be ratified and confirmed by Parliament:

The assent given by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom intituled His Majesty's Declaration of Abdication Act, 1936, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed accordingly.

11. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 2.*

It is the duty of the Governor-General to inform the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives that, on the abdication of His Majesty King Edward the Eighth, His former Majesty was succeeded by His brother Albert Frederick Arthur George, Duke of York, who, in England, on the 12th day of December, 1936, and in New Zealand on the 14th day of the same month, was proclaimed King by the style and title of George the Sixth.

The Proclamation as made in New Zealand was recorded in the *Gazette* of the 14th day of December, 1936, in the following terms:—

"Whereas by an Instrument of Abdication dated the tenth day of December instant His former Majesty King Edward the Eighth did declare his irrevocable determination to renounce the Throne for himself and his descendants, and the said Instrument of Abdication has now taken effect, whereby the Imperial Crown of Great Britain, Ireland, and all other His former Majesty's Dominions is now solely and rightfully come to the High and Mighty Prince Albert Frederick Arthur George:

"We, therefore, George Vere Arundell, Viscount Galway, the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, Michael Joseph Savage, Prime Minister of the said Dominion, and the Members of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, assisted by Members of both Houses of the General Assembly, Judges, and Magistrates, Ministers of Religion, Mayors, Chairmen, and Members of Local Bodies, and numerous other representative European and Maori citizens here present, do now hereby with one voice and consent of tongue and heart, publish and proclaim that the High and Mighty Prince Albert Frederick Arthur George is now become our only lawful and rightful liege Lord George the Sixth by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India:

To whom we do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience, with all hearty and humble affection; beseeching God, by whom Kings and Queens do reign, to bless the Royal Prince George the Sixth with long and happy years to reign over us.

"Given at Wellington in the Dominion of New Zealand, this fourteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six.

"GALWAY, Governor-General.
"MICHAEL JOSEPH SAVAGE.
"PETER FRASER.
"DANIEL GILES SULLIVAN.
"HENRY GREATHEAD REX MASON.
"HUBERT THOMAS ARMSTRONG.
"ROBERT SEMPLE.
"WILLIAM EDWARD PARRY.
"PATRICK CHARLES WEBB.
"FREDERICK JONES.
"WILLIAM LEE MARTIN.
"FRANK LANGSTONE.
"MARK FAGAN.
"MICHAEL MYERS, C.J.
"ADAM HAMILTON.
"APIRANA TURUPA NGATA.

"GOD SAVE THE KING!"

On the day of the Accession to the Throne His Majesty the King was pleased to make a Declaration in the following terms:—

"Your Royal Highnesses, My Lords and Gentlemen—

"I meet you to-day in circumstances which are without parallel in the history of our Country. Now that the duties of Sovereignty have fallen to Me, I declare to you My adherence to the strict principles of constitutional government and My resolve to work before all else for the welfare of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

"With My Wife as helpmeet by My side, I take up the heavy task which lies before me. In it I look for the support of all My peoples.

"Furthermore, My first act on succeeding My Brother will be to confer on Him a Dukedom and He will henceforth be known as His Royal Highness the Duke of Windsor."

Government House,
Wellington, 9th September, 1937.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved*, That the Message of His Excellency be entered on the Journals of the House.

12. *Address to His Majesty the King.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved*, *nemine contradicente*, That a respectful Address in the following words be presented to His Majesty the King;

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,—

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, respectfully beg to submit to Your Majesty congratulations on your Accession to the Throne, and on your Coronation and to assure Your Majesty of our loyal attachment to your person, and we would pray for Your Majesty the glory of a reign to be distinguished by peace, prosperity, and a general advancement in the social and economic conditions of your subjects.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the said Resolution.

13. *Adjournment.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. tomorrow.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit until four of the clock p.m., adjourned accordingly.

Friday, the 10th Day of September, 1937.

The House met this day at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Member takes the Oath.*—Joseph Bernard Francis Cotterill, Esquire, Member for Wanganui, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took his seat in the House.

2. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council have this day passed the following Resolution:—

Whereas in conformity with the provisions of the preamble to the Statute of Westminster, 1931, the Assent of His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand was duly given to the Act of the Parliament of the United Kindgom intituled His Majesty's Declaration of Abdication Act, 1936: And whereas it is desirable that the Assent so given should be ratified and confirmed by Parliament.

It is resolved that the Assent given by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom intituled His Majesty's Declaration of Abdication Act, 1936, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed accordingly.

Also,—

The Legislative Council have resolved, That a respectful Address of loyalty in the following words be conveyed to His Majesty the King:—

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,—

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, respectfully beg to submit to Your Majesty congratulations on your Accession to the Throne, and on your Coronation, and to assure Your Majesty of our loyal attachment to your person, and we would pray for Your Majesty the glory of a reign to be distinguished by peace, prosperity, and a general advancement in the social and economic conditions of your subjects.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Leave of Absence.*—On the motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for seven days be granted to Mr. Neilson on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. Smith, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Wilkinson on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Broadfoot on account of urgent public business.

5. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

1. Electoral Act, 1927, Notification of Appointment of Members of Representation Commissions under the.

2. Deeds Registration Act, 1908, Amended Regulations under the.

3. Land Settlement Finance Act, 1909, Statements required to be made by Public Trustee showing Revenue Account and Balance-sheet of every Association under the, as at 31st March, 1937.

4. Health Act, 1920, Camping-ground Regulations issued under the.

5. Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1908, Amended Regulations issued under the.

6. Dentists Act, 1936, Dental Regulations issued under the.

7. Poisons Act, 1934, Amended Regulations issued under the.

8. Massey Agricultural College: Annual Report, together with Statement of Accounts for Year ended 31st December, 1936.

9. Canterbury Agricultural College: Annual Report, together with Statement of Accounts for Year ended 31st December, 1936.

6. *Death of the Honourable George Warren Russell.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the distinguished services rendered to New Zealand by the late Honourable George Warren Russell, a former Member of the House of Representatives, and for some years a Minister of the Crown, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

7. *Death of the Honourable Sir Frederic William Lang.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the distinguished services rendered to New Zealand by the late Honourable Sir Frederic William Lang, a former Member and Speaker of the House of Representatives, and a former Member of the Legislative Council, and respectfully tenders to his relatives the assurance of its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

8. *Death of the Honourable Leonard Monk Isitt, M.L.C.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Honourable Leonard Monk Isitt, a Member of the Legislative Council, and a former Member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

9. *Death of Mr. James McColl Dickson.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. James McColl Dickson, a former Member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his relatives the assurance of its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

10. *Death of Mr. Charles Hall.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. Charles Hall, a former Member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his relatives the assurance of its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

11. *Death of Doctor William Allan Chapple.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Doctor William Allan Chapple, a former Member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

12. *Death of Mr. John MacGregor.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. John MacGregor, a former Member of the Legislative Council, and respectfully tenders to his relatives the assurance of its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

13. *Adjournment.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved,* That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. on Tuesday next as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Honourable George Warren Russell, the late Honourable Sir Frederic William Lang, the late Honourable Leonard Monk Isitt, the late Mr. James McColl Dickson, the late Mr. Charles Hall, the late Doctor William Allan Chapple, and the late Mr. John MacGregor.

And then the House, having continued to sit until seventeen minutes after four of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 14th Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Members take the Oath.*—William Alexander Bodkin, Esquire, Member for Central Otago, Doctor David Gervan McMillan, Member for Dunedin West, and Frederick William Schramm, Esquire, Member for Auckland East, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took their seats in the House.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered,* That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Richards on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Ordered,* That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. McDougall on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered,* That leave of absence for two days be granted to the Right Honourable Mr. Coates on account of urgent public business.

4. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:-

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 3.*

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision for the payment of salaries, wages, and contingencies for the year ending the 31st Day of March, 1938.

Government House,
Wellington, 14th September, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be presently referred to a Committee of Supply.

5. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Imprest Supply Bill and proceedings preliminary thereto.

Suspension of Sitting.—With the leave of the House, it was agreed to take an adjournment from the hour of half after nine of the clock p.m. until the hour of ten of the clock p.m.

6. *Suspension of Standing Order 256.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Ordered*, That Standing Order 256 be suspended in order that Committees of Supply and Ways and Means may be set up to enable an Imprest Supply Bill to be passed this day.

7. *Supply.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted to enable a Member to take the oath.

8. *Member takes the Oath.*—Charles Anderson Wilkinson, Esquire, Member for Egmont, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took his seat in the House.

9. *Supply.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

And then the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Wednesday morning;

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1937.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding eight million seven hundred and eighty-one thousand five hundred pounds be granted to His Majesty, by way of Imprest, for the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Resolution be referred to a Committee of Ways and Means.

10. *Ways and Means.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Resolved*, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Ways and Means of raising the Supply granted to His Majesty.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That, in addition to all sums otherwise granted, there may be issued and applied, by way of Imprest, towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight,—

(*a*) Out of the respective funds and accounts (being part of the Public Account) specified in the First Schedule hereto, any sums of money not exceeding in the whole seven million eight hundred and seventy-six thousand pounds, as set forth in that Schedule:

(*b*) Out of the respective accounts mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto, the respective sums therein set forth, not exceeding in the whole nine hundred and five thousand five hundred pounds.

The aforesaid sums shall be charged in the manner hereafter to be expressed in any Act or Acts passed in this present session of Parliament for appropriating the public revenues of the Dominion for the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

	£
The Consolidated Fund—	
Ordinary Revenue Account	3,800,000
The Public Works Fund—	
General Purposes Fund	1,600,000
Electric Supply Account	250,000
Separate Accounts—	
Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account	6,000
Land for Settlements Account	30,000
Main Highways Account	750,000
State Coal-mines Account	80,000
State Forests Account	60,000
Working Railways Account	1,300,000
	£7,876,000

SECOND SCHEDULE.

	£
The Post Office Account	650,000
The Public Trustee's Account	60,000
The Native Trustee's Account	3,000
The Government Insurance Account	60,000
The Public Service Superannuation Fund Account	2,000
The State Fire Insurance Account	30,000
The Government Accident Insurance Account	3,000
The State Advances Account	500
The Dairy Industry Account	12,000
The Internal Marketing Account	5,000
The Broadcasting Account	80,000
	£905,500

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Right Honourable Mr. Savage and the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

11. *Imprest Supply Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented a Bill to apply a Sum of Money out of the Public Account and other Accounts to the Service of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight; which was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

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

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to apply a Sum of Money out of the Public Account and other Accounts to the Service of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

12. *Adjournment.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. this day.

13. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, Notice of Motion No. 1 was set down as an Order of the Day at half after seven of the clock p.m. this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-one minutes after twelve of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 15th Day of September, 1937.

The House met this day at 7.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Imprest Supply Act, 1937, which the Council returns to the House of Representatives as one of its Bills of Supply.

2. *Address in Reply.*—Mr. Thorn moved, seconded by Mr. Barclay, and the Question was proposed, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech.

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-five minutes after nine of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Thursday, the 16th Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed in order to consider Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. McDougall on account of a bereavement in his family.

4. *New Plymouth Airport Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the New Plymouth Airport Act, 1933, and to make Better Provision with respect to the Management of the Aerodrome established thereunder; and that Mr. Smith do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Smith accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

5. *Whangarei Airport Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Establishment of an Aerodrome for the District of Whangarei, for the Incorporation and Powers of an Airport Board in connection therewith, for the Conferring of Powers on the Whangarei Borough Council, the Whangarei County Council, and on the Hikurangi Town Board, the Kamo Town Board, and the Onerahi Town Board with respect thereto, and for Regulating the Rights, Powers, and Privileges of the said Councils and Boards with respect thereto; and that Mr. Barclay do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Barclay accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

6. *Borough of Ngaruawahia Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer upon the Ngaruawahia Borough Council certain Powers over that Area of Land within the Borough of Ngaruawahia popularly known as "The Point," and more particularly defined in the Schedule hereto; and that the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin do prepare and bring it in.

The Honourable Mr. Lee Martin accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

7. *New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the New Plymouth Borough Council to expend Moneys for the Maintenance and Development of the New Plymouth Borough and the District adjacent thereto as a Tourist Resort and Watering-place; and that Mr. Smith do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Smith accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

8. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Wanganui Harbour Board to borrow the Sum of Fifteen Thousand Pounds to complete the Raising of the Moles at the Mouth of the Wanganui River, and for other Matters incidental thereto; and that Mr. Cotterill do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Cotterill accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

9. *New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make Provision for the Registration of Clerks of Works; and that Mr. Munro (for Mr. Chapman) do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Munro accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, the 29th day of September, and to be printed.

10. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

20. New Zealand Naval Forces: Report of First Naval Member of Naval Board for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–5.

25. Land Transfer and Deeds Registration: Annual Report of Department for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–3.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

10. Mental Hospitals of the Dominion, Report of Director-General on, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–7.

11. Municipal Corporations. — Balance-sheets of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Alexandra, Ashburton, Auckland, Balclutha, Blenheim, Cambridge, Carterton, Christchurch, Cromwell, Dannevirke, Dunedin, Eltham, Featherston, Feilding, Foxton, Gisborne, Gore, Green Island, Greytown, Hamilton, Hampden, Hastings, Hawera, Hokitika, Invercargill, Invercargill South, Kaiapoi, Kaitangata, Kumara, Lawrence, Lower Hutt, Lyttelton, Masterton, Matamata, Mataura, Morrinsville, Mosgiel, Mount Albert, Mount Eden, Napier, Naseby, Nelson, New Brighton, Newmarket, New Plymouth, Onehunga, Opotiki, Paeroa, Pahiatua, Palmerston, Palmerston North, Petone, Picton, Rangiora, Richmond, Riverton, Runanga, St. Kilda, Stratford, Tapanui, Tauranga, Te Aroha, Te Awamutu, Temuka, Te Puke, Timaru, Upper Hutt, Waipawa, Waipukurau, Wairoa, Waitara, Wanganui, Wellington, West Harbour, Whangarei, and Woodville].

12. Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936, Regulations issued under the.

13. Defence Act, 1909, Amended Regulations issued under the.

14. Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, Orders in Council under the, making Regulations relative to Postal Charges, Overtime Rates, Recreation Leave, Telephones, and Post-office Savings-banks.

15. Municipal Corporations. — Balance-sheets of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations: For Year ended 31st March, 1935 [Milton, Motueka, and Tauranga].

16. Municipal Corporations. — Balance-sheets of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations: For Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Devonport, Hastings, Huntly, Lawrence, Marton, New Lynn, Northcote, One Tree Hill, Riccarton, St. Kilda, Taihape, Thames, and Woodville].

17. County Councils. — Balance-sheets of the undermentioned County Councils: For Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Bruce, Dannevirke, Ellesmere, Halswell, Heathcote, Hutt, Mackenzie, Malvern, Mangonui, Masterton, Matakaoa, Mount Herbert, Paparua, Patea, Peninsula, Raglan, Rangitikei, Rotorua, Tawera, Tuapeka, Uawa, Waimarimo, Waimate, Wallace, Weber, and Whakatane].

18. County Councils. — Balance-sheets of the undermentioned County Councils: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Akaroa, Ashley, Awatere, Bay of Islands, Castlepoint, Chatham Islands, Cheviot, Clifton, Clutha, Cook, Coromandel, Egmont, Eketahuna, Ellesmere, Eltham, Featherston, Geraldine, Halswell, Hawera, Hawke's Bay, Hobson, Hokianga, Inglewood, Kaikoura, Kairanga, Kaitieke, Kiwitea, Lake, Levels, Mackenzie, Makara, Malvern, Manukau, Marlborough, Matamata, Mauriceville, Ohinemuri, Ohura, Oroua, Otamatea, Otorohanga, Oxford, Pahiatua, Patangata, Peninsula, Piako, Pohangina, Rangiora, Rodney, Rotorua, Selwyn, Southland, Springs, Stewart Island, Taieri, Takaka, Taranaki, Taumarunui, Tauranga, Tawera, Uawa, Vincent, Waiapu, Waihemo, Waikato, Waikouaiti, Waimairi, Waimarino, Waimate West, Waipa, Waipawa, Waipukurau, Wairarapa South, Wairewa, Wairoa, Waitemata, Waitotara, Wallace, Weber, Westland, Whangamomona, Whangarei, and Whangaroa].

19. National Provident Fund: Annual Report of Board for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–17.

21. County Council Balance-sheet: For Year ended 31st March, 1935 [Collingwood].

22. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 31st January, 1935 [New Zealand Drapers' and General Mutual Insurance Company]; for Year ended 31st December, 1935 [Norwich Union Fire Assurance Society—Accident Business]; for Year ended 31st January, 1936 [New Zealand Drapers' and General Mutual Insurance Company]; for Year ended 31st March, 1936 [The Sun Newspapers, Limited]; for Year ended 30th June, 1936 [The Southern Cross Assurance Company, Limited; and Public Mutual Insurance Company of New Zealand—Accident Business]; for Year ended 31st July, 1936 [Sawmillers' Mutual Accident Insurance Company—Accident Business]; for

Year ended 31st August, 1936 [Producers' and Citizens' Co-operative Assurance Company, Limited; South British Insurance Company, Limited; and United Insurance Company, Limited—Accident Business]; for Year ended 12th September, 1936 [Wairarapa Automobile Association Mutual Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 30th September, 1936 [The National Mutual Life Association of Australasia, Limited; Dominion Life Assurance Office of New Zealand, Limited; The Australian Temperance and General Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited; Australian Provincial Assurance Association, Limited; New Zealand Dental Mutual Insurance Company; and National Insurance Company of New Zealand, Limited—Accident Business]; for Year ended 31st December, 1936 [The Mutual Life and Citizens' Assurance Company, Limited; The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited; The Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited; The Atlas Assurance Company, Limited; Australian Alliance Assurance Company; Sun Insurance Office; National Employers' Mutual General Insurance Association, Limited; The Mercantile and General Insurance Company, Limited; London Assurance Company, Limited; Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company, Limited; The Guardian Assurance Company, Limited; Earthenware Manufacturers' Accident Fund; The New Zealand Medical Assurance Society; The New Zealand Mine-owners' Mutual Insurance Company; North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, Limited; Provident Life Assurance Company; The Australian Mutual Provident Society; The Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited; Northern Assurance Company, Limited (Norwich Union Fire Assurance Society; The Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited; Pearl Assurance Company, Limited; Phœnix Assurance Company, Limited; New Zealand Master Bakers' Mutual Indemnity Association; The Insurance Office of Australia, Limited; London and Lancashire Insurance Company, Limited; Union Assurance Society, Limited; British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited; Commercial Union Assurance Company, Limited; Alliance Assurance Company, Limited; Bennie S. Cohen and Son (New Zealand), Limited; Royal Insurance Company, Limited; The Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation of London; Queensland Insurance Company, Limited; and General Accident, Fire, and Life Assurance Corporation, Limited—Accident Business)]; for Year ended 31st January, 1937 [New Zealand Drapers' and General Mutual Insurance Company]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Wellington Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Association; and F.A.M.E. Mutual Insurance and Guaranteed Incomes, Limited; Taranaki Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association—Accident Business]; for Year ended 31st May, 1937 [New Zealand Insurance Company, Limited—Accident Business]; for Year ended 30th June, 1937 [Standard Insurance Company, Limited—Accident Business].

23. Public Trust Office, Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1936. B.–9.

24. Public Trust Office, Accounts of the, for Year ended 31st March, 1936. B.–9A.

26. Public Debt, Repayment of the: Report and Accounts of Public Debt Commission for Year ended 31st March, 1937. B.–2.

27. Bank of New Zealand, Balance-sheet of the, as at 31st March, 1937.

28. State Advances Office: Annual Report by Minister showing Applications for State-guaranteed Loans.

29. Stock Act, 1908, Amending Regulations issued under the, relative to Agricultural Seeds and Stock Diseases.

30. Stock Remedies Act, 1934, Amended Regulations issued under the.

31. Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, Regulations issued under the.

32. Seeds Importation Act, 1927, Amended Regulations issued under the, relative to Cockfoot Seed.

33. Orchard and Garden Diseases Act, 1928, Regulations issued under the, relative to the Registration of Orchards.

34. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of All Interest in Coal Lease No. 3979, Reefton, from William Blackadder to Thomas Low Bennett and Cecil Bennett.

35. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of All Interest in Way-leave for Coal-mining Purposes No. 770, New Plymouth, from Angus Clark to the Mangapeehi Coal Mining Company, Limited.

36. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of All Interest in Coal Leases Nos. 5991 and 6099, Reefton, from Daniel McLaughlin to Denis Quinlan O'Brien, George Shaw, William Hector Smith, and James Morrow Gray.

37. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of All Interest in Coal Lease No. 48/21, Greymouth, from Frederick Williams, Joseph Taylor, and Charles Norman Taylor to Wallsend Taylorville Estates, Limited.

38. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of All Interest in Way-leave for Coal-mining Purposes No. 683, Invercargill, from the Wairaki Coal Company, Limited, to Wairaki Coal Company, Limited.

39. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of All Interest in Coal Lease No. 710, Invercargill, from the Wairaki Coal Company, Limited, to Wairaki Coal Company, Limited.

40. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of All Interest in Coal Lease No. E.R. 2508, Invercargill, from the Wairaki Coal Company, Limited, to Wairaki Coal Company, Limited.

41. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Mortgage of All Interest in Coal Lease No. 3256, Roxburgh, from Nicholas John Harliwich to the Bank of New Zealand.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table in return to an Order of the House:—

42. Returns or Statements required by Law or Resolution to be laid before the House. H.–13. (Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 18th August, 1893.)

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 10, 19, 20, 23 to 27 inclusive, and 42 be printed.

11. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 4.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intitled "An Act to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 16th September, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Webb do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

12. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Webb, according to Order, presented the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

And the hour of seventeen minutes after four of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

13. *Address in Reply.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in Reply to His Excellency's Speech;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, seconded by the Right Honourable Mr. Forbes, That the following addition be made to the original question—namely, "and that the following words be added to such Address: 'In conclusion we deem it our duty to represent to Your Excellency that Your Excellency's Advisers do not possess the confidence of this House because—(1) The Government's persistent encroachment upon the rights of private ownership and its bureaucratic methods of control in industry have created a serious lack of confidence in the development of New Zealand industrial enterprise, thus jeopardizing sound progress within the Dominion; (2) the Government has failed to honour its election pledge to absorb all able-bodied workers into employment—on the contrary, its policy, which has resulted in higher internal costs, has seriously retarded the process of absorbing the unemployed into industry; (3) the Government has failed to honour its promise that under a system of guaranteed produce prices the dairy-farmer would enjoy a greatly improved standard of living comparable at least with that enjoyed by those engaged in other branches of industry; (4) the Government has failed in its promise to reduce the cost of living which as a result of the present administration shows substantial increase; (5) the Government's frequent use of the National Broadcasting Service for propaganda purposes, and its refusal to allow the expression of opposing views, along with the Prime Minister's threat to restrict the freedom of the press, constitutes a grave public injustice and an unwarranted violation of democratic rights; (6) the overriding of the Court of Arbitration by the Minister of Labour on the occasion of the Auckland freezing-workers' illegal strike constitutes a grave undermining of our judicial system, and Ministerial strictures on decisions of Justices is a further attack on what is fundamental to the traditional administration of British justice; (7) as a result of the increase in internal costs many New Zealand manufacturers have found it impossible to compete with imported goods, which fact must inevitably result in the decrease in factory employment and a corresponding increase in unemployment; and (8) the Government has failed to honour its clear-cut election promise to remove the sales tax and to prevent an increase of taxation'";

And the Question and amendment being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Forbes, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed at the hour of half after ten of the clock a.m. to-morrow.

And the House, having continued to sit until thirty-six minutes after nine of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Friday, the 17th Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to grant Further Borrowing-powers to the Timaru Harbour Board; and that the Reverend Mr. Carr do prepare and bring it in.

The Reverend Mr. Carr accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

3. *Dunedin City Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer certain Powers on the Dunedin City Council; and that Mr. Munro do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Munro accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

43. Government Insurance Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.-8.

44. Fire Boards.—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Auckland Metropolitan, Balclutha, Dannevirke, Dargaville, Feilding, Hamilton, Hastings, Hokitika, Hawera, Kaiapoi, Lawrence, Oamaru, Petone, Port Chalmers, Taumarunui, Westport, Woodville, and Whangarei]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Birkenhead, Dunedin Metropolitan, Gisborne, Hawera, Invercargill, Lawrence, Levin, Milton, New Plymouth, Opotiki, Taihape, Waipukurau, and Wanganui].

Ordered, That Paper No. 43 be printed.

5. *Address in Reply.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech (*Mr. Thorn*); and the amendment proposed thereto, That the following addition be made to the original question—namely, "and that the following words be added to such Address: 'In conclusion, we deem it our duty to represent to Your Excellency that Your Excellency's Advisers do not possess the confidence of this House because—(1) The Government's persistent encroachment upon the rights of private ownership and its bureaucratic methods of control in industry have created a serious lack of confidence in the development of New Zealand industrial enterprise, thus jeopardizing sound progress within the Dominion; (2) the Government has failed to honour its election pledge to absorb all able-bodied workers into employment—on the contrary its policy, which has resulted in higher internal costs, has seriously retarded the process of absorbing the unemployed into industry; (3) the Government has failed to honour its promise that under a system of guaranteed produce prices the dairy-farmer would enjoy a greatly improved standard of living comparable at least with that enjoyed by those engaged in other branches of industry; (4) the Government has failed in its promise to reduce the cost of living, which as a result of the present administration shows substantial increase; (5) the Government's frequent use of the National Broadcasting Service for propaganda purposes, and its refusal to allow the expression of opposing views, along with the Prime Minister's threat to restrict the freedom of the press, constitutes a grave public injustice and an unwarranted violation of democratic rights;

(6) the overriding of the Court of Arbitration by the Minister of Labour on the occasion of the Auckland freezing-workers' illegal strike constitutes a grave undermining of our judicial system, and Ministerial strictures on decisions of Justices is a further attack on what is fundamental to the traditional administration of British justice; (7) as a result of the increase in internal costs many New Zealand manufacturers have found it impossible to compete with imported goods, which fact must inevitably result in the decrease in factory employment and a corresponding increase in unemployment; and (8) the Government has failed to honour its clear-cut election promise to remove the sales tax and to prevent an increase of taxation' " (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*);

And the Question and amendment being again proposed;

The House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

And then the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate, and having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. on Tuesday next, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 21st Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Member takes the Oath.*—The Honourable Sir Apirana Turupa Ngata, Member for Eastern Maori, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took his seat in the House.

2. *Speakers' Rulings.*—Mr. Speaker drew the attention of Members to the new edition of Speakers' Rulings covering the period 1867 to 1936 which had been placed upon the Table.

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

4. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

5. *Member takes the Oath.*—The Honourable Hubert Thomas Armstrong, Member for Christchurch East, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took his seat in the House.

6. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Richards on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Coulter on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Broadfoot on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of indisposition.

7. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt certain Lands and Buildings for the time being vested in and used by the Cawthron Institute Trust Board from Liability

for Payment of Rates, and to authorize certain Local Authorities to remit certain Rates heretofore charged or levied against the Board in respect of the Lands and Buildings now vested in the Board; and that Mr. Atmore do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Atmore accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

The Bill was referred by Mr. Speaker to the Joint Committee on Bills about to be set up.

8. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—

46. Customs and other Revenue, Cost of Collecting, by Customs Department, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. B.–12.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

45. State Advances Corporation of New Zealand: Report of Board of Management, together with Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. B.–13A.

47. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Customs Tariff Amendment Order, 1937, No. 1, made under the, altering the Rates of Duty on Maize.

48. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Trade Arrangement with Belgium (Application to Greece) Order, 1936, made under the, applying the Duties and Exemptions from Duty provided for in the Trade Arrangement (New Zealand and Belgium) Ratification Act, 1933, to Goods from Greece.

49. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Export Prohibition Order, 1937, No. 4, made under the, prohibiting the Exportation of Fish.

50. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Export Prohibition Order, 1937, No. 3, made under the, prohibiting the Exportation of Cast Iron Scrap Metal.

51. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Export Prohibition Order, 1937, No. 2, made under the, prohibiting the Exportation of White-pine Timber.

52. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Export Prohibition Order, 1937, No. 1, made under the, prohibiting the Exportation of *Phormium-tenax* Plants and Seeds.

53. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order, 1937, No. 8, made under the, prohibiting the Importation of certain Stock Foods.

54. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order, 1937, No. 7, made under the, prohibiting the Importation of Onions.

55. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order, 1936, No. 5, made under the, prohibiting the Importation of Pumps for Motor-spirit.

56. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order, 1936, No. 6, made under the, prohibiting the Importation of Used or Second-hand Empty Sacks.

57. Naval Defence Act, 1913, Amended Regulations issued under the.

58. Naval Defence Act, 1913, Amended Regulations issued under the.

59. Royal Society of New Zealand, Transactions and Proceedings of the, Vol. 66, 1937.

60. Local Authorities Superannuation Act, 1908: Report of Actuary into the Funds, &c., of the undermentioned Local Authorities as at 31st December, 1934 [Wellington Harbour Board, Auckland Harbour Board, and Buller County Council].

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 45 and 46 be printed.

9. *Address in Reply.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech (*Mr. Thorn*); and the amendment proposed thereto, That the following addition be made to the original question—namely, "and that the following words be added to such Address: 'In conclusion, we deem it our duty to represent to Your Excellency that Your Excellency's Advisers do not possess the confidence of this House because—(1) The Government's persistent encroachment upon the rights of private ownership and its bureaucratic methods of control in industry have created a serious lack of confidence in the development of New Zealand industrial enterprise, thus jeopardizing sound progress within the Dominion; (2) the Government has failed to honour its election pledge to absorb all

able-bodied workers into employment—on the contrary its policy, which has resulted in higher internal costs, has seriously retarded the process of absorbing the unemployed into industry; (3) the Government has failed to honour its promise that under a system of guaranteed produce prices the dairy-farmer would enjoy a greatly improved standard of living comparable at least with that enjoyed by those engaged in other branches of industry; (4) the Government has failed in its promise to reduce the cost of living, which as a result of the present administration shows substantial increase; (5) the Government's frequent use of the National Broadcasting Service for propaganda purposes, and its refusal to allow the expression of opposing views, along with the Prime Minister's threat to restrict the freedom of the press, constitutes a grave public injustice and an unwarranted violation of democratic rights; (6) the overriding of the Court of Arbitration by the Minister of Labour on the occasion of the Auckland freezing-workers' illegal strike constitutes a grave undermining of our judicial system, and Ministerial strictures on decisions of Justices is a further attack on what is fundamental to the traditional administration of British justice; (7) as a result of the increase in internal costs many New Zealand manufacturers have found it impossible to compete with imported goods, which fact must inevitably result in the decrease in factory employment and a corresponding increase in unemployment; and (8) the Government has failed to honour its clear-cut election promise to remove the sales tax and to prevent an increase of taxation' " (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*);

And the Question and amendment being again proposed;

The House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate, and having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. tomorrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 22nd Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive, and consideration of Papers for the purpose of removing from the List those on which no discussion was desired.

2. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Atmore presented a Petition from the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board (Incorporated), praying for leave to introduce a Private Estate Bill intituled " An Act to enable the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board (Incorporated) to sell and dispose of certain Lands in the Anglican Diocese of Nelson and to apply the Net Proceeds thereof in and towards the Purchase of a Permanent Residence for the Bishop of Nelson within the City of Nelson."

An endorsement by the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

Standing Orders complied with.

The Bill was ordered to be introduced.

3 *Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Barrell presented a Petition from the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese of Waikato, praying for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled " An Act to amend the Hamilton Parsonage Site Act, 1904."

An endorsement by the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

Standing Orders complied with.

The Bill was ordered to be introduced.

4. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

On motion of Mr. Hultquist, *Ordered*, That the Petition from G. V. Smith and others presented on Tuesday, the 21st day of September, be referred direct to the Public Petitions A to L Committee when set up.

5. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Neilson on account of illness.

6. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—

61. Imperial Conference, 1937: Summary of Proceedings. A.–7.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

62. Department of Health: Annual Report of Director-General, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–31.

63. Friendly Societies and Trade-unions: Annual Report by the Registrar of Friendly Societies, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–1.

64. National Provident Fund, Statement of Amounts paid into, by Way of State Subsidy during Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–17A.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 61 to 64 inclusive be printed.

7. *Papers, Consideration of.*—With the leave of the House, the list of Papers for consideration was called over, and, where there appeared to be no objection, the following Papers were deleted: Papers Nos. 2, 3, 5, 11, 14 to 18 inclusive, 21, 22, 25, 29 to 32 inclusive, 34 to 42 inclusive, 44, 50, 52, 53, and 55 to 59 inclusive.

8. *Address in Reply.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That a Respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech (*Mr. Thorn*); and the amendment proposed thereto, That the following addition be made to the original question—namely, "and that the following words be added to such Address: 'In conclusion, we deem it our duty to represent to Your Excellency that Your Excellency's Advisers do not possess the confidence of this House because—(1) The Government's persistent encroachment upon the rights of private ownership and its bureaucratic methods of control in industry have created a serious lack of confidence in the development of New Zealand industrial enterprise, thus jeopardizing sound progress within the Dominion; (2) the Government has failed to honour its election pledge to absorb all able-bodied workers into employment—on the contrary its policy, which has resulted in higher internal costs, has seriously retarded the process of absorbing the unemployed into industry; (3) the Government has failed to honour its promise that under a system of guaranteed produce prices the dairy-farmer would enjoy a greatly improved standard of living comparable at least with that enjoyed by those engaged in other branches of industry; (4) the Government has failed in its promise to reduce the cost of living, which as a result of the present administration shows substantial increase; (5) the Government's frequent use of the National Broadcasting Service for propaganda purposes, and its refusal to allow the expression of opposing views, along with the Prime Minister's threat to restrict the freedom of the press, constitutes a grave public injustice and an unwarranted violation of democratic rights; (6) the overriding of the Court of Arbitration by the Minister of Labour on the occasion of the Auckland freezing-workers' illegal strike constitutes a grave undermining of our judicial system, and Ministerial strictures on decisions of Justices is a further attack on what is fundamental to the traditional administration of British justice; (7) as a result of the increase in internal costs many New Zealand manufacturers have found it impossible to compete with imported goods, which fact must

inevitably result in the decrease in factory employment and a corresponding increase in unemployment; (8) the Government has failed to honour its clear-cut election promise to remove the sales tax and to prevent an increase of taxation' " (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*);

And the Question and amendment being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate, and having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 23rd Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Auckland Harbour Board to borrow the Sum of One million Pounds for the Purpose of constructing Harbour-works; and that Mr. Schramm do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Schramm accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

65. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Regulations made under the, relative to Butter Marketing (Wellington District), Dairy Board Election, Special Milk Products, Export Butter-box Pool, and Dairy Factory Supply.

66. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Regulations made under the, fixing the Sale and Purchase Prices of Raw Tobacco.

67. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Further Regulations made under the, fixing the Sale and Purchase Prices of Raw Tobacco.

68. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Regulations made under the, relative to Wheat and Flour.

69. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Regulations made under the, relative to the Production, Grading, and Sale of Onions.

70. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Further Regulations made under the, relative to the Sale of Onions.

71. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Regulations made under the, fixing the Price of Oranges.

72. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Further Regulations made under the, fixing the Price of Oranges.

73. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Further Regulations made under the, fixing the Price of Oranges.

74. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Further Regulations made under the, fixing the Price of Oranges.

75. Fire Boards: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Christchurch, Hikurangi, and Wellington].

5. *Address in Reply.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech (*Mr. Thorn*); and

the amendment proposed thereto, That the following addition be made to the original question—namely, "and that the following words be added to such Address: 'In conclusion, we deem it our duty to represent to Your Excellency that Your Excellency's Advisers do not possess the confidence of this House because—(1) The Government's persistent encroachment upon the rights of private ownership and its bureaucratic methods of control in industry have created a serious lack of confidence in the development of New Zealand industrial enterprise, thus jeopardizing sound progress within the Dominion; (2) the Government has failed to honour its election pledge to absorb all able-bodied workers into employment—on the contrary its policy, which has resulted in higher internal costs, has seriously retarded the process of absorbing the unemployed into industry; (3) the Government has failed to honour its promise that under a system of guaranteed produce prices the dairy-farmer would enjoy a greatly improved standard of living comparable at least with that enjoyed by those engaged in other branches of industry; (4) the Government has failed in its promise to reduce the cost of living, which as a result of the present administration shows substantial increase; (5) the Government's frequent use of the National Broadcasting Service for propaganda purposes, and its refusal to allow the expression of opposing views, along with the Prime Minister's threat to restrict the freedom of the press, constitutes a grave public injustice and an unwarranted violation of democratic rights; (6) the overriding of the Court of Arbitration by the Minister of Labour on the occasion of the Auckland freezing-workers' illegal strike constitutes a grave undermining of our judicial system, and Ministerial strictures on decisions of Justices is a further attack on what is fundamental to the traditional administration of British justice; (7) as a result of the increase in internal costs many New Zealand manufacturers have found it impossible to compete with imported goods, which fact must inevitably result in the decrease in factory employment and a corresponding increase in unemployment; and (8) the Government has failed to honour its clear-cut election promise to remove the sales tax and to prevent an increase of taxation'" (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*);

And the Question and amendment being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be added be so added, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 17.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Smith
Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	Wilkinson
Coates	Holland	Wright.
Cobbe	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Polson	Endean
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.

NOES, 52.

Anderton	Howard	Osborne
Armstrong	Hultquist	Parry
Atmore	Hunter	Petrie
Barclay	Jones	Roberts
Barnes	Langstone	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Lee	Savage
Campbell	Lowry	Schramm
Carr	Lyon	Semple
Chapman	McCombs	Sullivan
Christie	McDougall	Thorn
Coleman	McMillan	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Martin	Webb
Coulter	Mason	Williams
Cullen	Meachen	Wilson.
Denham	Moncur	
Fraser	Munro	*Tellers.*
Herring	Nash	McKeen
Hodgens	Nordmeyer	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being again proposed, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech;

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General.

6. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 5.*

The Bill intituled the Imprest Supply Act, 1937, as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill.

Government House,
Wellington, 21st September, 1937.

7. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 6.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Fair Rents Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 22nd September 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Fair Rents Act, 1936.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Mason do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

8. *Fair Rents Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Fair Rents Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

9. *Address in Reply.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after ten of the clock a.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 24th Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.

On motion of Mr. Barrell, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a first time.

The Bill was read a first time accordingly.

3. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.

On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a first time.

The Bill was read a first time accordingly.

4. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

5. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency :—

77. Tourist and Health Resorts and Publicity, Department of: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–2.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

76. State Forest Service: Annual Report of Director of Forestry for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–3.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 76 and 77 be printed.

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Motion, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech.

7. *Address in Reply.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech ;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the House of Representatives in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our thanks to Your Excellency for the Speech which Your Excellency has addressed to both Houses of the Legislature.

We rejoice in the knowledge that the accession and coronation of His Majesty King George VI were welcomed in this Dominion with universal approbation and with warm attachment to the Throne and to the persons of Their present Majesties.

We join with Your Excellency in our sense of gratification at the magnificent response that all sections of the community, and both races, made to the appeal for contributions towards a fund for the provision of a Dominion memorial to His late Majesty King George V in the form of Children's Health Camps.

In assuring Your Excellency that our most careful consideration will be given to the several matters referred to in Your Excellency's Speech, we unite with Your Excellency in praying that our deliberations may be guided by Divine Providence for the welfare and prosperity of the people of this Dominion.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved*, That Mr. Speaker, accompanied by Members of the House, do present the said Address to His Excellency the Governor-General at such time as His Excellency may appoint.

8. *Supply.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

9. *Ways and Means.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Ways and Means of raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

10. *Postponement of Order of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 2.

11. *Fair Rents Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Fair Rents Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Fair Rents Act, 1936."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until six minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 28th Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Member takes the Oath.*—Haami Tokouru Ratana, Esquire, Member for Western Maori, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took his seat in the House.

2. *Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.

On motion of Mr. Barrell, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and stands referred to the Committee of Selection.

3. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill was deferred.

4. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

5. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to the Right Honourable Mr. Coates on account of urgent public business.

6. *Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the Motueka Borough Council to raise a Loan for the Purpose of acquiring and paying for the Establishment of an Aerodrome at Motueka; and that Mr. Holyoake do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Holyoake accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

7. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

78. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 31st December, 1936 [Norwich Union Life Insurance Society and the Prudential Insurance Company, Limited].

79. Municipal Corporations.—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Arrowtown, Geraldine, Motueka, and Roxburgh]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Dannevirke, Eastbourne, Ohakune, Raetihi, Sumner, Te Awamutu, Waimate, and Waipukurau].

80. Rural Intermediate Credit Board, Report of the, for Year ended 30th June, 1937. B.–14.

81. Rural Intermediate Credit Board: Accounts for Year ended 30th June, 1937.

82. County Councils.—Balance-sheets of the undermentioned County Councils: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Buller, Eyre, Great Barrier Island, Inangahua, and Waipara]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Levels, Manukau, Otamatea, Rangiora, Waitotara, and Whangarei].

83. Local Authorities Superannuation Act, 1908: Balance-sheets, Statements of Accounts, and Membership, &c., of the Auckland and Wellington Harbour Boards for Year ended 31st December, 1936.

84. State Coal-mines, Report on the Working of, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–2A.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 80 and 84 be printed.

8. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

9. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And the hour of seventeen minutes after four of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

10. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, telegraphed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 7.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year ending 31st March, 1938, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Napier,
27th September, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the enclosure, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

11. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, telegraphed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 8.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives an Estimate for the Sums required for the undermentioned services: Public Works, Departmental; Railway Construction; Railways Improvements and Additions to Open Lines; Public Buildings; Education Buildings; Lighthouses and Harbour-works; Development of Tourist Resorts; Roads, &c.; Telegraph Extension; Lands Improvement; Irrigation, Water-supply, and Drainage; Swamp Land Drainage; Settlement of Unemployed Workers; Native Land Settlement; Dairy Industry Loans, together with an Estimate of Expenditure in respect of Electric Supply Account; and Main Highways Account, which will come in course of payment during the Year ending 31st March, 1938, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Napier,
27th September, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the enclosure, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

12. *Supply (Financial Statement).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £110,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending the 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Motion made and question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £180,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Works, Departmental for the Financial Year ending the 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

To report progress and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply had made progress on the Main Estimates and the Public Works Estimates, and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

86. Public Accounts for Financial Year 1936–37. B.–1 [Part I].

87. Public Accounts for the Financial Year 1936–37, also Statement showing the Public Debt of the Dominion as at 31st March, 1937. B.–1 [Part III].

88. Reserve Bank of New Zealand: Annual Report of Board of Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937. B.–16.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

85. Financial Statement by the Hon. W. Nash, Minister of Finance, together with Estimates of Expenditure (Consolidated Fund and Public Works Fund) for Year ending 31st March, 1938. B.–6.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 85 to 88 inclusive be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-three minutes after nine of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 29th Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Member takes the Oath.*—Walter James Broadfoot, Esquire, Member for Waitomo, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took his seat in the House.

2. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill was deferred.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed until after consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 10 to 27 inclusive.

5. *Agricultural and Pastoral Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage (for the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all matters pertaining to agricultural and pastoral industries and stock which may be referred to it, with power to confer and sit together with any similar Committee which may be appointed by the Legislative Council, and to agree to a joint or separate report: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barclay, Mr. C. H. Burnett, Mr. T. D. Burnett, Mr. Coulter, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Kyle, Mr. Polson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams, and the Mover.

6. *Lands Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage (for the Honourable Mr. Langstone), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to whom shall stand referred, after the first reading, all Bills affecting or in any way relating to the lands of the Crown, or education or other public reserves; the Committee to have power to recommend such amendments therein as it thinks proper, and to report generally, when necessary, upon the principles and provisions of the Bills: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barnes, Mr. Christie, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Dickie, Colonel Hargest, Mr. McDougall, Mr. Meachen, the Hon. Sir Alfred Ransom, Mr. Wilson, and the Mover.

7. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all petitions from A to L that may be referred to it; to classify and prepare abstracts of such petitions in such form and manner as shall appear to it best suited to convey to this House all requisite information respecting their contents, and to report the same from time to time to this House; and to have power to report its opinions and observations thereon to this House: the Committee to consist of Mr. Cotterill, Mr. Endean, the Hon. Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hultquist, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Roy, Mr. Schramm, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Thorn, and the Mover.

8. *Joint on Bills Committee.*—On motion of Mr. Howard, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, to act together with a similar Select Committee of the Legislative Council as a Joint Committee, which shall inquire into the character of every Bill that may be referred to it during its progress by the Speaker of either House, and to report its opinions to both Houses as to whether it is a Public, Local, or Private Bill: the Committee to consist of Mr. Coleman, Mr. Endean, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.

9. *Labour Bills Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Armstrong, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all Bills or other matters relating to labour which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barrell, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Coleman, the Hon. Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Holland, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Polson, and the Mover.

10. *Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills.*—On motion of Mr. Howard, *Ordered*, That a Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills be appointed: the Committee to consist of Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Endean, the Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. Schramm, and the Mover.

11. *Local Bills Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to whom all Local Bills shall stand referred after the first reading; the Committee to report whether the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are in any way affected by the provisions of the Bills, and to recommend such amendments as it may think proper, and to report, when necessary, on the merits of the Bills; the Committee to have power to confer with any Committee appointed for a similar object by the Legislative Council: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderton, Mr. Coulter, Mr. Herring, Mr. Kyle, Mr. Munro, Mr. Osborne, Captain Rushworth, Mr. Smith, Mr. Wright, and the Mover.

12. *Committee of Selection (Private Bills).*—On motion of Mr. Howard, *Ordered*, That a Committee of Selection (Private Bills) be appointed; the Committee to consist of Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Cullen, Mr. O'Brien, and the Mover.

13. *Statutes Revision Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all Bills containing provisions of a technical legal character which may be referred to it, with power to confer and sit together with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council: the Committee to consist of the Hon. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Endean, Mr. Munro, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Richards, Mr. Schramm, Mr. Sexton, and the Mover.

14. *Education Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage (for the Honourable Mr. Fraser), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all matters relating to school-teachers, education, and public instruction generally, public-school training of teachers, higher education, technical education, manual instruction, and such other matters affecting education as may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Atmore, Mr. Bodkin, the Rev. Mr. Carr, the Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Herring, Mr. McCombs, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Smith, and the Mover.

15. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage (for the Honourable Mr. Webb), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all Bills and other matters relating to mining which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Denham, Mr. Herring, Mr. Holyoake, the Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. Moncur, Mr. O'Brien, Captain Rushworth, Mr. Thorn, and the Mover.

16. *Public Health Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage (for the Honourable Mr. Fraser), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all matters relating to public health, infectious diseases, contagious diseases, hospitals, and to local authorities having charge of these matters, and to other matters affecting public health which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderton, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Kyle, Dr. McMillan, Mr. Richards, Mr. Roy, Mr. Wright, and the Mover.

17. *Library Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage (for the Honourable Mr. Fraser), *Ordered*, That a Library Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, with power to confer with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council: the Committee to consist of the Hon. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Atmore, Mr. Broadfoot, the Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Lyon, the Hon. Mr. Mason, the Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. Osborne, and the Mover.

18. *Privileges Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of six members, to consider and report upon any matters relating to or concerning the privileges of the House or the members thereof which may be referred to it by this House; with power to report from time to time upon any such matter: the Committee to consist of the Right Hon. Mr. Coates, the Right Hon. Mr. Forbes, Mr. Howard, the Hon. Mr. Mason, Captain Rushworth, and the Mover.

19. *Native Affairs Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of seventeen members, to consider all petitions, reports, returns, and other documents relating to affairs especially affecting the Native race that may be referred to it, and from time to time to report thereon to this House: the Committee to consist of Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. C. H. Burnett, Mr. Christie, the Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Henare, the Hon. Mr. Langstone, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Moncur, the Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Ratana, Captain Rushworth, Mr. Smith, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Tirikatene, and the Mover.

20. *House Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of seven members, with power to confer with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council, to provide for the comfort of members of both Houses: the Committee to consist of the Hon. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Howard, Mr. Kyle, Dr. McMillan, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Smith, and the Mover.

21. *Public Accounts Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to examine into and report upon such questions relating to the public accounts as may be referred to it by the House or the Government, and also into all matters relating to the finances of the Dominion which the Government may refer to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barnes, Mr. Broadfoot, the Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Holyoake, Mr. Howard, Mr. Lee, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.

22. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Semple, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all petitions from M to Z that may be referred to it; to classify and prepare abstracts of such petitions in such form and manner as shall appear to it best suited to convey to this House all requisite information respecting their contents, and to report the same from time to time to this House; and to have power to report its opinions and observations thereon to this House: the Committee to consist of the Rev. Mr. Carr, the Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Coulter, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Holland, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Neilson, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, and the Mover.

23. *Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Act, 1900, and the Acts amending the same, and to validate certain Debentures issued by the Dunedin Drainage and Sewerage Board; and that Mr. Munro do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Munro accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

24. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

89. Public Service Superannuation Board: Annual Report, together with Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–26.

90. Broadcasting Act, 1936, Regulation made under the, providing for the Payment to the Post Office Account from the Broadcasting Account of certain Moneys received in respect of the Issue of Receiving-station Licenses.

92. State Fire Insurance Office (Accident Branch): Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–6A.

93. State Fire Insurance Office: Annual Report of General Manager for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–6.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

91. Regulations Act, 1936, Report on Working of. H.–24.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 89 and 91 to 93 inclusive be printed.

25. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

26. *Adjournment (Questions and Replies).*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That Supplementary Order Papers Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be taken separately for the purposes of discussion, and that Members be afforded an opportunity of speaking on each Supplementary Order Paper.

(Time-limit of Debate extended.)—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the time-limit for the Debate be extended until the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. if necessary.

Mr. Kyle moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

27. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Fair Rents Amendment Act, 1937, and the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

28. *Adjournment (Questions and Replies).*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

29. *New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works Bill;

On motion of Mr. Chapman (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma* and referred to the Labour Bills Committee.

30. *Papers, Consideration of.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of all Papers down to and including Paper No. 60 was postponed in order to consider Paper No. 61 (Imperial Conference, 1937: Summary of Proceedings; A.–7).

The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 61 be referred to the Government for consideration.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate, and, having set it down for resumption next sitting-day, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 30th Day of September, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.

On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly and stands referred to the Committee of Selection.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed until after consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 1 and 2.

4. *Petitions not finally dealt with during previous Session.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That all petitions not finally dealt with during the session of 1936 be again referred to the same Committees as they were referred to during the said session.

5. *Defence Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten Members, to consider all matters in connection with defence which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderton, Mr. Barclay, Mr. Christie, Mr. Cullen, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Roy, Mr. Sexton, and the Mover.

6. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Tirikatene on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Thorn on account of illness in his family.

7. *Hurunui Licensing Committee Enabling Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Hurunui Licensing Committee to order the Removal of certain Licenses consequent on the Construction of the Waimakariri Traffic Bridge in its District; and that the Right Honourable Mr. Forbes do prepare and bring it in.

The Right Honourable Mr. Forbes accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

The Bill was referred by Mr. Speaker to the Joint Committee on Bills.

8. *Funeral Directors Registration Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Registration of Funeral Directors; and that Mr. McKeen do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. McKeen accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time on Thursday, the 14th Day of October, and to be printed.

9. *Auckland Metropolitan Milk Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Auckland Metropolitan Milk Act, 1933; and that Mr. Anderton do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Anderton accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

10. *Paper.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—

94. Post and Telegraph Department, Report on, by the Hon. F. Jones, Postmaster-General, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. F.–1.

Ordered, That Paper No. 94 be printed.

11. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed in order to consider Notice of Motion No. 12.

12. *Imperial Conference, 1937: Summary of Proceedings (A.–7).*—The Notice of Motion being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Summary of Proceedings, Imperial Conference, 1937 (A.–7), be referred to the Government for consideration;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Summary of Proceedings, Imperial Conference, 1937 (A.–7), be referred to the Government for consideration.

And the hour of six minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

13. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed at the hour of half after ten of the clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit until forty minutes after nine of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Friday, the 1st Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard, from the Committee of Selection, brought up a Report on the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

The Committee of Selection has the honour to report that, in pursuance of Rules 45 and 47 of the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, the Committee has appointed a Committee on the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill, consisting of Mr. Atmore (the Member ordered to bring in the Bill), Mr. Cullen, Mr. Endean, Mr. Wright, and the Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

3. *Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard, from the Committee of Selection, brought up a Report on the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

The Committee of Selection has the honour to report that, in pursuance of Rules 45 and 47 of the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, the Committee has appointed a Committee on the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill, consisting of Mr. Barrell (the Member ordered to bring in the Bill), Mr. Cullen, Mr. Endean, Mr. Wright, and the Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed until after consideration of Notice of Motion No. 1.

5. *Industries and Commerce Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Sullivan, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of eleven Members, to consider all matters in connection with industries and commerce that may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barrell, Mr. Hodgens, Mr. Holland, Mr. Holyoake, Mr. Hunter, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.

6. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Roy on account of illness in his family.

7. *Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Christchurch Tramway Board to adopt the System of Voting at Elections and Polls in the Central Sub-district of the Christchurch Tramway District by the marking of a Cross; and that Mr. Howard do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Howard accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

8. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

95. Pensions Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–18.

Ordered, That Paper No. 95 be printed.

9. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

On motion of Mr. Smith, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifteen minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 5th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2 *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Wilson on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. Sexton, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Captain Rushworth on account of illness.

4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency :—

97. Prisons Department : Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–20.

98. Prisons Board : Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–20A.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

96. Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, Amended Regulations made under the.

99. Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Amendment Act, 1932, Order in Council issued under the, reconstituting the Thames, Waihi, and Coromandel Hospital Districts to form one Hospital District.

100. Agricultural Workers Act, 1936, Regulations made under the, relative to Agricultural Workers' Accommodation.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 97 and 98 be printed.

5. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply ;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

On motion of Mr. Williams, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

And the hour of fourteen minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Resolution about to be submitted to the Committee of Ways and Means, and also to the first reading of the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Bill about to be introduced.

(Suspension of Sitting.)—With the leave of the House, it was agreed to take an adjournment from the hour of half after nine of the clock p.m. until the hour of ten of the clock p.m.

7. *Ways and Means (Customs Duties Resolution) : Trade Agreement between the Government of the German Reich and the Government of New Zealand.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Ways and Means ;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Ways and Means had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That the agreement, the terms of which are set out hereunder, be ratified and confirmed and that, subject to the provisions of section 143 of the Customs Act, 1913, the duties therein provided for shall be imposed on all goods to which the agreement relates that are imported into New Zealand or are entered for home consumption therein on or after the date on which the agreement is brought into force, as provided in Article VII thereof.

TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND GERMANY.

THE Government of New Zealand and the Government of the German Reich, desiring to facilitate the reciprocal extension of trade between New Zealand and Germany, have concluded the following agreement:—

Article I.

In all matters concerning rates of Customs duties, the method of levying and securing of Customs duties and taxes including all charges, surcharges, coefficients, and other increases, and in all matters concerning Customs formalities, articles produced or manufactured in the territory of either of the contracting parties shall on importation into the territory of the other party or on exportation from the territory of one party to the territory of the other be accorded treatment not less favourable than that accorded to like articles the produce or manufacture of the most favoured foreign country.

Accordingly, any advantage which is or hereafter may be extended, in regard to the above-mentioned matters, by either of the contracting parties to any foreign country shall be accorded immediately and without compensation to the other party.

Article II.

The provisions of Article I shall not extend to:—

(*a*) Special privileges which either of the contracting parties grants or may hereafter grant to neighbouring countries for facilitating frontier traffic within a zone not extending as a rule beyond fifteen kilometres on either side of the frontier;

(*b*) Privileges which either of the contracting parties may hereafter accord to a country by virtue of a Customs Union with that country;

(*c*) Advantages now accorded or which may hereafter be accorded by New Zealand exclusively to other territories under the sovereignty of His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, or under His Majesty's suzerainty, protection or mandate;

(*d*) Special agreements in so far as they relate to cereals, concluded or which may hereafter be concluded, conforming to the recommendations of the Conference of Stresa.

Article III.

Goods being the produce or manufacture of Germany enumerated in the Schedule annexed to the present Agreement shall not, on importation into New Zealand, be subject to higher duties than those specified in the said Schedule nor to surtax at present payable on such goods.

The foregoing provision shall not exempt the said goods from sales tax.

Article IV.

When representations are received that goods of German origin are being or are likely to be imported into New Zealand under conditions which would warrant the imposition of dumping duty, and if it appears that such representations are justified, the Government of New Zealand, before imposing any such duty, undertake to notify the Government of the German Reich of the grounds on which imposition of such duty is considered justifiable, and to afford the latter Government reasonable opportunity to remedy the position; provided that the Government of New Zealand reserve the right to impose such duty without notice in cases where New Zealand industries or preferences accorded to British countries are immediately and adversely affected.

Article V.

In the event of either of the contracting parties prohibiting or restricting or applying any form of quantitative regulation to the importation or exportation of goods, that party undertakes to give due consideration to the interests of the other party.

Article VI.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to affect the rights of either contracting party to impose or maintain prohibitions or restrictions—

(*a*) Applying to articles which are by the State declared to be a monopoly;

(*b*) Relating to public security;

(*c*) Imposed on moral or humanitarian grounds;

(*d*) Occasioned by the necessity of securing the safety of persons;

(*e*) Imposed for the protection of animals and plants against diseases and pests;

Provided that such measures are applied under the same conditions to like articles imported from any other foreign country.

Article VII.

The present Agreement shall be ratified as soon as practicable and shall come into force on a date to be agreed upon, and shall remain in force until the 30th September, 1939. In case neither of the contracting parties shall have given notice to the other three months before the said date of its intention to terminate the present Agreement, it shall remain in force thereafter until the expiration of three months from the date on which either of the contracting parties shall have given to the other notice of its intention to terminate it.

In witness whereof this Agreement has been duly signed by Michael Joseph Savage, Prime Minister of New Zealand, on behalf of the Government of New Zealand and by Walter Hellenthal, Consul of Germany in New Zealand, on behalf of the Government of the German Reich.

Done in duplicate at Wellington in English and German Texts, both authentic, this thirtieth day of September, 1937.

[L.S.] M. J. SAVAGE.
[L.S.] HELLENTHAL.

SCHEDULE.

Item No. of the Customs Tariff of New Zealand.	Tariff Item.	Rate of Duty payable in New Zealand on Articles produced or manufactured in Germany.
Ex 90	Wine containing not more than 40 per cent. of proof spirit, viz. :—	
	(2) Other kinds ; per gallon, or for six reputed quart bottles or the reputed equivalent in bottles of a larger or smaller reputed capacity	4s. plus 20 per cent. ad. val., or 6s, whichever rate returns the lower duty.
Ex 121	(1) Medicinal preparations (except wines) containing 50 per cent. of proof spirit or less ; medicinal preparations, drugs, druggists' sundries, and apothecaries' wares, n.e.i. ; also aerated-water makers', cordial-makers', and brewers' drugs, chemicals, and other sundries, n.e.i. ; chemicals, and chemical preparations, n.e.i.	40 per cent. ad val.
143	Braids, and bindings, all kinds, n.e.i. ; cords, n.e.i., of wool, cotton, silk, imitation silk, artificial silk, or of combinations of these materials with one another or with any other material	40 per cent. ad val.
227	Lenses, all kinds, unmounted, and without attachments ..	20 per cent. ad val.
233	Artists' materials—viz., academy boards, canvas in the piece or on stretchers, oiled paper and drawing-paper in blocks, colours, palettes, and palette-knives	20 per cent. ad val.
234	Camera covers and cases	40 per cent. ad val.
237	Clocks, time-registers, and time-detectors	40 per cent. ad val.
Ex 247	Musical instruments, and parts, viz :—	
	(4) Pianos, player pianos, organs n.e.i., harmoniums, and similar instruments	25 per cent. ad val.
	(5) Musical instruments n.e.i.	25 per cent. ad val.
254	Photographic cameras	40 per cent. ad val.
255	Photographic goods n.e.i.	40 per cent. ad val.
287	Emery-paper, emery-cloth, and glass-paper, cut into shapes, in rolls, or in sheets	20 per cent. ad val.
290	Paperhangings	25 per cent. ad val.
Ex 335	Engines, viz. :—	
	(1) Specially suited for use on cycles	30 per cent. ad val.
354	Artificers' tools, n.e.i., not including brushes or brushware ; and the following tools—viz., axes, hatchets, spades, shovels, forks, picks, mattocks, hammers, scythes, sheep-shears, reaping-hooks, scissors (not less than 10 inches in length), butchers' and other cleavers and choppers, hand-saws, saw-blades machine or hand, bill-hooks, bush-hooks, slashers, and hedge-knives	25 per cent. ad val.
356	Ex (1) Field glasses	40 per cent. ad val.
	(3) Builders' and cabinetmakers' hardware, viz. :—hinges (not being gate hinges) suited for doors, box-lids, or similar articles ; latches, latch sets, locks, lock sets, and keys for locks ; handles, pulls, catches, clips, slides, and similar articles, suited for use on drawers or cabinets ; metal escutcheon plates ; handles, pulls, bolts, knockers, letter-plates, and bells, for doors ; metal plugs, clips, and similar fittings, specially suited for builders' use in affixing articles to concrete or plaster	25 per cent. ad val.
Ex 397	Paints, colours, varnishes, and similar materials, viz. :—	
	(6) Kalsomine, distempers, and similar preparations, in powder form	25 per cent. ad val.

And the Resolution, being read a second time;

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That the Resolution be referred to the Committee on the Bill to be introduced to give statutory effect thereto.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 9.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to ratify certain Agreements for the Promotion of Trade made between His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand and the Consul of Germany in New Zealand acting on behalf of the Government of the German Reich," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 5th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to ratify certain Agreements for the Promotion of Trade made between His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand and the Consul of Germany in New Zealand acting on behalf of the Government of the German Reich.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

9. *Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

10. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Bill was set down as an Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-two minutes after eleven of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 6th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Address to His Majesty the King.*—Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letters :—

Houses of Parliament, Wellington, 9th September, 1937.

YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We have the honour to forward herewith a copy of a Joint Address to His Majesty the King, on the occasion of His Accession and Coronation, which has been passed by both Houses of the General Assembly of New Zealand.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient servants,

(Sgd.) W. CARNCROSS, Kt.,
Speaker of the Legislative Council.
(Sgd.) W. E. BARNARD,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

His Excellency The Governor-General, The Right Hon. Viscount Galway, P.C., G.C.M.G., D.S.O., O.B.E.
Government House, Wellington.

Government House, Wellington, 28th September, 1937.

The Honourable the Speakers of the Legislative Council
and the House of Representatives, Wellington.

It gives me much pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th September, forwarding a Joint Address to the King in connection with His Majesty's Accession and Coronation, which has been passed by both Houses of the General Assembly.

I shall have the honour to transmit the Address for submission to His Majesty.

(Sgd.) GALWAY, Governor-General.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That the letters be entered on the Journals of the House.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Orders of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

3. *Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard, from the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill Committee, brought up a Report on the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill, and the same was read as follows :—

The Committee on the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill has the honour to report—

(1) That it finds the allegations of the Preamble proved to its satisfaction.

(2) That it has carefully considered the clauses of the Bill, and has passed them without amendment.

The minutes of the Committee accompany this Report.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the Minutes, do lie upon the Table.

4. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

5. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency :—

105. Defence Forces of New Zealand : Annual Report of General Officer Commanding New Zealand Military Forces for Year ended 31st May, 1937. H.–19.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

101. Native Purposes Act, 1935 : Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 56, of 1935, of Potikai Ieni Tapihana, praying for relief *in re* Te Koutu B Block.

102. Native Purposes Act, 1936 : Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 224, of 1936, of Tupito Maruera and others, relative to a certain Devise under the will of Waewae Tutange, deceased.

103. Native Purposes Act, 1936: Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 203, of 1936, of Tutawa Paraeroa and others, relative to the Ownership of Otautu No. 17 (Section 136, Block VII, Carlyle Survey District).

104. Native Purposes Act, 1935: Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 313, of 1934–35, of Tarehurangi te Waari, praying for the Cancellation of Orders of the Native Land Court, respectively dated the 20th August, 1902, appointing Successors to the Interest of Peraniko Rakuku, *alias* Peraniko Rakuraku, and 18th May, 1922, appointing Successors to the Interest of Ema Peraniko, in Section 325, Parish of Whangamarino.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

106. State Forest Reservation: Proposal to revoke Reservation over Section 8, Block IV, Hawera Survey District, Taranaki Land District.

107. State Forest Reservation: Proposal to revoke Reservation over Part of Section 2, Block XV, Wairere Survey District, Auckland Land District.

108. State Forest Reservation: Proposal to revoke Reservation over an Area of 160 acres (approximately) situated in Block LXVIII, Hokonui Survey District, Southland Land District.

109. State Forest Reservation: Proposal to revoke Reservation over an Area of 275 acres (approximately) situated in Blocks IV and VIII, Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 101 to 104 inclusive and 105 be printed.

Papers Nos. 101 to 104 inclusive stand referred to the Native Affairs Committee.

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Bill.

7. *Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to ratify certain Agreements for the Promotion of Trade made between His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand and the Consul of Germany in New Zealand acting on behalf of the Government of the German Reich."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council together with a message requesting their concurrence.

And the hour of twenty minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

8. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 7th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard, from the Committee of Selection, brought up a further Report on the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

I have the honour, by direction of the Committee of Selection, to report as follows:—

The Committee on the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill, against which a petition had been presented to the House, have reported that on the day appointed for considering the Bill there was no appearance of the Petitioner in support of his petition and the Committee therefore, pursuant to Standing Order 61, has referred the Bill back to the Committee of Selection to be dealt with as an unopposed Bill.

The Committee of Selection pursuant to Standing Order 61 and Standing Orders 45 and 47 relating to Private Bills, has appointed a Committee on the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill; consisting of Mr. Atmore (the Member ordered to bring in the Bill), Mr. Cullen, Mr. Endean, Mr. Wright, and the Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

3. *Petition.*—A public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Neilson on account of illness.

5. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

111. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Order in Council made under the, extending the Duration of the Trade Agreement between the Dominion of Canada and the Dominion of New Zealand.

112. Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, Motor-vehicle (Special Types) Regulations made under the.

113. Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, Traffic Sign Regulations made under the.

114. Motor-vehicle Act, 1924, Motor-vehicle Fitness (Fees) Regulations made under the.

115. Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, Traffic Regulations made under the.

116. Transport Licensing Act, 1931, Goods-service Vehicle (Constructional) Regulations made under the.

117. Transport Licensing Act, 1931, Passenger-service Vehicle (Constructional) Regulations made under the.

118. Transport Licensing Act, 1931, Transport Licensing (Goods-service) Regulations made under the.

119. Transport Licensing Act, 1931, Amended Transport Licensing Passenger Regulations made under the.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House.

110. Stores Control Board, Annual Report of, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–4.

Ordered, That Paper No. 110 be printed.

6. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

7. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Act, 1937, without amendment.

8. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after ten of the clock a.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 8th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive with the exception of No. 8.

2. *Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill.

On motion of Mr. Barrell, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Hamilton Parsonage Site Act, 1904."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to the Honourable Sir Apirana Ngata on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Barclay on account of urgent public business.

4. *Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be granted to bring in a Bill to confer Special Powers on the Thames Valley Drainage Board; and that Mr. Coulter do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Coulter accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

5. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

6. *New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 14th day of October.

7. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General.

8. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 10.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to fix the Rates of Land-tax and Income-tax for the Year commencing on the First Day of April, Nineteen hundred and thirty-seven," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 5th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

(Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.)—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the first reading of the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill, and the proceedings preliminary thereto.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to fix the Rates of Land-tax and Income-tax for the Year commencing on the First Day of April, Nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

9. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

10. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And then the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. next sitting-day, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 12th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive and Order of the Day No. 1.

2. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard, from the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill Committee, brought up a Report on the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

I have the honour, by direction of the Committee set up for the purpose of considering the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill, to report thereon as follows:—

(1) That it finds the allegations of the Preamble proved to its satisfaction.

(2) That it has carefully considered the clauses of the Bill and has passed them without amendment.

The Minutes of the Committee accompany this report.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the Minutes, do lie upon the Table.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Colonel Hargest on account of urgent public business.

5. *Dunedin City Corporation (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer Further Powers upon the Dunedin City Corporation in respect of the Supply of Water to the Suburbs of Dunedin, and that Mr. Munro do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Munro accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

6. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

120. Education: Report of the Minister, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. E.–1.

121. Marine Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–15.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

123. Government Railways Superannuation Fund: Report of Board for Year ended 31st March, 1937. D.–5.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

122. Scientific and Industrial Research, Department of: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–34.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 120 to 123 inclusive be printed.

7. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.

8. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General.

9. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 11.*

The Bills intituled—

The Fair Rents Amendment Act, 1937, and

The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,

Wellington, 7th October, 1937.

10. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. T. D. Burnett moved, seconded by Mr. Holyoake, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That" with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "this House is of opinion that the Bill should not be proceeded with until the following means of meeting the Dominion's financial and economic difficulties and placing the national revenue and finance on a sound basis be considered by the House: (1) That a full inquiry be first instituted into the effect of the proposed taxation impost (*a*) on industry, (*b*) on primary production, (*c*) on fixed incomes, (*d*) on the salaried class; and, finally, the effect of the proposed taxation upon the employment of labour."

And the Question and amendment being proposed, a Debate arose thereupon.

And the hour of half after nine of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

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Armstrong	Howard	Parry
Barnes	Hultquist	Ratana
Barrell	Hunter	Richards
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Roberts
Campbell	Lee	Robertson
Carr	Lowry	Savage
Chapman	McCombs	Schramm
Christie	McMillan	Semple
Coleman	Martin	Sullivan
Coulter	Mason	Thorn.
Cullen	Meachen	
Denham	Moncur	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Nash	McKeen
Herring	Nordmeyer	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Osborne	

NOES, 14.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Wilkinson
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	Wright.
Coates	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Cobbe	Polson	Broadfoot
Endean	Smith	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the original Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned until the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

11. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).—Ordered*, That the interrupted Debate on the Financial Statement be resumed at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-two minutes after eleven of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 13th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

124. Fire Boards.—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1935 [Nelson]; for Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Nelson, Rotorua, Tauranga, Te Aroha, and Wairoa]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Hastings, Nelson, Rotorua, and Woodville].

3. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

And the hour of twenty-seven minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

4. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill be now read a second time;

(Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.)—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follows:—

AYES, 42.

Anderton	Langstone	Richards
Barclay	Lee	Roberts
Barnes	Lowry	Robertson
Campbell	McCombs	Savage
Christie	McDougall	Schramm
Coleman	McMillan	Semple
Coulter	Mason	Sullivan
Cullen	Meachen	Thorn
Denham	Moncur	Tirikatene
Fraser	Nash	Webb.
Herring	Nordmeyer	
Hodgens	Osborne	*Tellers.*
Howard	Parry	McKeen
Hultquist	Petrie	O'Brien.
Hunter	Ratana	

NOES, 16.

Burnett, T. D.	Holyoake	Wilkinson
Coates	Polson	Wright.
Cobbe	Ransom	
Forbes	Roy	*Tellers.*
Hamilton	Sexton	Broadfoot
Holland	Smith	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly.

With the leave of the House, the committal of the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill was set down as an Order of the Day at half after seven of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-seven minutes after ten of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 14th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Barrell on account of urgent public business.

4. *Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Taupiri Drainage and River District Act, 1929, and that Mr. Coulter do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Coulter accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

5. *Paper.*—Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter he had received from the Controller and Auditor-General:—

The Audit Office, Wellington, 14th October, 1937.

The Honourable the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR,—

I have the honour to submit to the House of Representatives the Public Accounts for the financial year ended 31st March, 1937 (B.–1 [Part II]), together with my report on same, in compliance with section 89 (4) of the Public Revenues Act, 1926.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. FOWLER,
Controller and Auditor-General.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

125. Public Accounts for the Financial Year 1936–37, together with the Report of the Controller and Auditor-General. B.–1 [Pt. II].

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That Paper No. 125 be printed.

6. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

(Extension of Time for Debate.)—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 7.30 p.m. was postponed in order to continue the Debate on the Financial Statement on the resumption of the House at that hour.

On motion of Mr. Christie, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed presently.

7. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.

(Suspension of Sitting.)—With the leave of the House, it was agreed to take an adjournment from the hour of half after nine of the clock p.m. until the hour of ten of the clock p.m.

8. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 read and agreed to.

Clause 3 read. Amendment proposed: To add the following proviso:—

"Provided that no income-tax shall be payable by any married taxpayer with children dependent upon him (other than an absentee) whose net income after deducting the exemptions provided under the Land and Income Tax Act, 1923, and the amendments thereof does not exceed three hundred pounds. The term 'married taxpayer' shall include a widow or widower with dependent children under the age of eighteen years." *(Mr. Bodkin.)*

And the Question being put, That the proviso be added to the clause, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 12.

Cobbe	Holland	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Ransom	Bodkin
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.
Hamilton	Sexton	
Hargest	Smith.	

NOES, 39.

Anderton	Hunter	Richards
Armstrong	Langstone	Robertson
Barclay	Lee	Savage
Campbell	Lowry	Schramm
Chapman	Lyon	Semple
Christie	McMillan	Sullivan
Coleman	Meachen	Thorn
Cotterill	Moncur	Webb
Coulter	Munro	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	
Denham	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Herring	Osborne	McKeen
Hodgens	Parry	O'Brien.
Hultquist	Petrie	

So it passed in the Negative.

Another amendment proposed: To add the following proviso:—

"Provided that in the calculation of the assessable income of any taxpayer the Commissioner shall allow the deduction of all sums paid in that year by the taxpayer as employment tax and employment charge under the provisions of the Employment Promotion Act, 1936." *(Mr. Bodkin.)*

And the Question being put, That the proviso be added to the clause, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 12.

Cobbe	Holland	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Ransom	Bodkin
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.
Hamilton	Sexton	
Hargest	Smith.	

NOES, 39.

Anderton	Hunter	Richards
Armstrong	Langstone	Robertson
Barclay	Lee	Savage
Campbell	Lowry	Schramm
Chapman	Lyon	Semple
Christie	McMillan	Sullivan
Coleman	Meachen	Thorn
Cotterill	Moncur	Webb
Coulter	Munro	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	
Denham	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Herring	Osborne	McKeen
Hodgens	Parry	O'Brien.
Hultquist	Petrie	

So it passed in the Negative.

Clause agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

"The income-tax payable by any taxpayer whose taxable income does not exceed five hundred pounds as hereinbefore provided shall be reduced by ten per centum." *(Mr. Kyle.)*

Clause read a first time, and the Question being put on the second reading the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 12.

Cobbe	Holland	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Ransom	Bodkin
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.
Hamilton	Sexton	
Hargest	Smith.	

NOES, 39.

Anderton	Hunter	Richards
Armstrong	Langstone	Robertson
Barclay	Lee	Savage
Campbell	Lowry	Schramm
Chapman	Lyon	Semple
Christie	McMillan	Sullivan
Coleman	Meachen	Thorn
Cotterill	Moncur	Webb
Coulter	Munro	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	
Denham	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Herring	Osborne	McKeen
Hodgens	Parry	O'Brien.
Hultquist	Petrie	

So it passed in the Negative.

Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

And the Committee, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Friday morning;

FRIDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1937.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to fix the Rates of Land-tax and Income-tax for the Year commencing on the First Day of April, Nineteen hundred and thirty-seven."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

9. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—*Ordered*, That the Adjourned Debate on the Financial Statement be resumed at the hour of half after ten of the clock a.m. this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-one minutes after twelve of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 15th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.

On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to enable the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board (Incorporated) to sell and dispose of certain Lands in the Anglican Diocese of Nelson and to apply the Net Proceeds thereof in and towards the Purchase of a Permanent Residence for the Bishop of Nelson within the City of Nelson."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. McCombs on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. T. D. Burnett on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Holyoake on account of illness.

5. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

126. Representation Commissions: Report of North Island and South Island Representation Commissions sitting as a Joint Commission, and Reports of the Separate North Island and South Island Representation Commissions, 1937. H.–45.

Ordered, That Paper No. 126 be printed.

6. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

And then the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. next sitting-day, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 19th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Address in Reply.*—Mr. Speaker informed the House that His Excellency the Governor-General had been pleased to appoint the hour of fifteen minutes after eleven of the clock a.m. to-morrow, Wednesday, the 20th day of October, at Government House, as the time and place for the presentation of the Address in Reply.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Neilson on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Wilson on account of illness.

5. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

127. Police Force of the Dominion, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–16.

137. Lands and Survey Department: Annual Report on the Settlement of Crown Lands for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–1.

139. Lands and Survey Department: Annual Report on Survey Operations for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–1A.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

138. Lands and Survey Department: Report on National Endowments for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–14.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table with the leave of the House :—

128. Abortion in New Zealand : Report of Committee of Inquiry into various Aspects of the Problem. H.–31A.

129. Internal Affairs, Department of : Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–22.

130. State Forest Reservation : Proposal to revoke Reservation over an Area of 420 acres (approximately) situated in Block I, Wakamarina Survey District, Marlborough Land District.

131. State Forest Reservation : Proposal to revoke Reservation over Part of Section 8, Block XVI, Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.

132. State Forest Reservation : Proposal to revoke Reservation over 40 acres, being Part of Section 1, Block VIII, Ohinemuri Survey District, Auckland Land District.

133. State Forest Reservation : Proposal to revoke Reservation over Section 487, Block VI, Forest Hill Hundred, Southland Land District.

134. State Forest Reservation : Proposal to revoke Reservation over Allotment 74, Paremoremo Parish, North Auckland Land District.

135. State Forest Reservation : Proposal to revoke Reservation over an Approximate Area of 66 acres, situated in Block IV, Whitianga Survey District, Auckland Land District.

136. State Forest Reservation : Proposal to revoke Reservation over Part of Section 17, Block XI, Waipoua Survey District, North Auckland Land District.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 127 to 129 inclusive and Nos. 137 to 139 inclusive be printed.

6. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency ; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 12.*

The Bill intituled the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Act, 1937, as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill.

Government House,
Wellington, 14th October, 1937.

7. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply ;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

8. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Act, 1937, without amendment.

9. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate ; and, having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 20th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech.*—Mr. Speaker announced that, accompanied by Members, he had attended upon His Excellency the Governor-General with the Address agreed to by the House in reply to His Excellency's Speech to both Houses of Parliament; to which His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—

I receive with much pleasure the Address which has been adopted by the House of Representatives in reply to my Speech at the opening of the Second Session of the Twenty-fifth Parliament of New Zealand, and I thank you for your assurance that the matters referred to will receive your careful consideration.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That the reply of His Excellency the Governor-General be entered on the Journals of the House.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive, with the exception of No. 8.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Semple (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That the name of the Reverend Mr. Carr be discharged from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, and that of Mr. Osborne substituted therefor.

5. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Cullen on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of illness.

6. *Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Act, 1935; and that Mr. Barrell do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Barrell accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

7. *Suspension of Standing Orders (Local Bills).*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the Standing Orders relating to Local Bills be suspended so far as to allow the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill to be introduced and to be proceeded with and passed through all its stages in accordance with the procedure prescribed for Public Bills instead of that prescribed for Local Bills.

8. *Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Auckland Electric-power Board Act, 1921–22; and that the Honourable Mr. Mason do prepare and bring it in.

The Honourable Mr. Mason accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

9. *Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Napier Harbour Board Loan Act, 1933; and that Mr. Christie (for the Honourable Mr. Barnard) do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Christie accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

10. *Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Act, 1912; to amend the Wellington City Trading Departments' Reserve and Renewal Funds Act, 1917; and to amend the Wellington High Levels Tramway Amendment and Empowering Act, 1935; and that Mr. Munro (for Mr. Chapman) do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Munro accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

11. *Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Christchurch Domains Amendment Act, 1913, and to repeal the Christchurch Domains Amendment Act, 1923, and to make provision for the Unauthorized Expenditure of a Limited Amount by the Christchurch Domains Board; and that Mr. Howard do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Howard accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

12. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

140. League of Nations: Report of the New Zealand Representative on the Seventeenth Assembly of the League, held at Geneva in 1936. A.–5.

141. League of Nations: Reports of the New Zealand Representative on the Ninety-fifth (Extraordinary), Ninety-sixth, and Ninety-seventh Sessions of the Council of the League, held at Geneva in the Years 1936 and 1937. A.–5B.

143. Cook Islands: Report of the Administration, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. A.–3.

144. Niue Island: Report of the Administration, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. A.–6.

145. League of Nations: Report of the New Zealand Representative on the Extraordinary Session of the Assembly of the League, held at Geneva in the Year 1937. A.–5A.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

146. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, and Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936, Butter-marketing Regulations made under the.

147. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Export Prohibition Order No. 6 made under the, prohibiting the Exportation of Scrap Metal.

148. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Customs Agreement Application Order, 1937, made under the, applying the Duties provided for in the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Act, 1937, to Goods from certain other Countries.

149. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Customs Tariff Amendment Order, 1937, No. 2, made under the, altering the Rates of Duty on Nails and White-lead.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

142. Mandated Territory of Western Samoa, Report of the Government of New Zealand on the Administration of, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. A.–4.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 140 to 145 inclusive be printed.

13. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 13.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to constitute an Army Board and to define its functions," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 20th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to constitute an Army Board and to define its functions.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Jones do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

14. *Army Board Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Jones, according to Order, presented the Army Board Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

15. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 14.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment, Organization, Discipline, and Maintenance of an Air Force to be called the Royal New Zealand Air Force," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 20th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to provide for the Establishment, Organization, Discipline, and Maintenance of an Air Force to be called the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Jones do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

16. *Air Force Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Jones, according to Order, presented the Air Force Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

17. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 15.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Department of State to be called the Air Department, and to define its functions," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 20th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to establish a Department of State to be called the Air Department, and to define its functions.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Jones do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

18. *Air Department Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Jones, according to Order, presented the Air Department Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

19. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 16.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Broadcasting Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 20th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Broadcasting Act, 1936.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Jones do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

20. *Broadcasting Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Jones, according to Order, presented the Broadcasting Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

21. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 17.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to disallow, in relation to contracts of Sale of Wool, the Practice of making the Deductions known as Draft Allowances," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 20th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to disallow, in relation to Contracts of Sale of Wool, the Practice of making the Deductions known as Draft Allowances.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin do prepare and bring in a a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

22. *Sale of Wool Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, according to Order, presented the Sale of Wool Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

23. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the New Plymouth Airport Bill, and the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

24. *New Plymouth Airport Bill.*—The New Plymouth Airport Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.

25. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 21st day of October.

26. *Public Health Committee.*—Dr. McMillan, from the Public Health Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of N. E. Trotter and others, and moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, seconded by Colonel Hargest, and the Question was proposed, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "Report", with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "be referred back to the Committee for further consideration of the question of a poll being taken by the residents of the Wallace Hospital District to decide the matter".

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question, the House divided and the names were taken down as follow:—

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Anderton	Jones	Petrie
Armstrong	Langstone	Ratana
Barnes	Lee	Richards
Barrell	Lowry	Roberts
Burnett, C. H.	Lyon	Robertson
Campbell	McCombs	Savage
Carr	McDougall	Schramm
Chapman	McMillan	Semple
Cotterill	Martin	Sullivan
Coulter	Mason	Thorn
Denham	Meachen	Tirikatene
Fraser	Moncur	Webb
Herring	Munro	Wright.
Hodgens	Nash	
Howard	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Hultquist	Osborne	McKeen
Hunter	Parry	O'Brien.

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Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	Rushworth
Coates	Holland	Sexton
Cobbe	Holyoake	Smith.
Dickie	Polson	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Ransom	Bodkin
Hamilton	Roy	Endean.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Health Committee on the Petition of N. E. Trotter and others do lie upon the Table.

27. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of K. J. B. McCardle, F. H. W. Traill and others, and C. E. Milligan, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petitions of F. H. W. Traill and others, and C. E. Milligan be referred to the Government for consideration.

28. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Mary Dillon and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Lands Committee on the Petition of Mary Dillon be referred to the Government for consideration.

Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, also brought up a Report on the Petition of J. W. Silcock and others, and moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. C. H. Burnett moved, seconded by Mr. Thorn, and the Question was proposed, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "Report", with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "be referred back to the Committee for further consideration".

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question, it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question, as amended, being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Report of the Lands Committee on the Petition of J. W. Silcock and others be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

29. *Defence Committee.*—Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Mary H. Houghton and Ada M. P. Bourne, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

And the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

30. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 21st Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business down to and including Order of Business No. 7 was postponed until after consideration of Notice of Motion No. 1.

4. *Local Bills Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry, *Ordered*, That the name of Mr. Osborne be discharged from the Local Bills Committee, and that of the Reverend Mr. Carr be substituted therefor.

5. *Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Ashley River Improvement Act, 1925, and that the Right Honourable Mr. Forbes do prepare and bring it in.

The Right Honourable Mr. Forbes accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

6. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

150. Kauri-gum Industry, Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–12.

151. Land for Settlements Act, 1925, Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–5.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 150 and 151 be printed.

7. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after ten of the clock a.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 22nd Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive, with the exception of No. 8.

2. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Broadfoot, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Holyoake on account of urgent public business.

4. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

152. Fire Boards.—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Cambridge, Feilding, and Masterton]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Masterton].

5. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Borough of Ngaruawahia Empowering Bill, the Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill, and the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

6. *Borough of Ngaruawahia Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Borough of Ngaruawahia Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 28th day of October.

7. *Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 28th day of October.

8. *Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 28th day of October.

9. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of A. F. Shanks, and Esther Saunders and others, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petitions of A. F. Shanks and Esther Saunders and others, be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

10. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed at the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-five minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 26th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Thorn on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. C. H. Burnett on account of urgent public business.

3. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

153. Industries and Commerce, Department of: Annual Report for Year ended 30th April, 1937. H.–44.

154. Annual Sheep Returns, for Year ended 30th April, 1937. H.–23.

155. Offenders Probation: Annual Report of Chief Probation Officer for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–20B.

156. Labour Department (Industrial Division): Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–11.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 153 to 156 inclusive be printed.

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Defence Committee.*—Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of J. J. Beaumont, and Ann Bate, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of Ann Bate be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, also brought up a Report on the Petition of J. J. Wilson, and moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be referred to the Government.

Mr. Hultquist moved, seconded by Mr. McCombs, and the Question was proposed, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "Report", with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "be referred back to the Committee for further consideration".

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of J. J. Wilson be referred to the Government.

6. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 18.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Development of Facilities for, and the Encouragement of, Physical Training, Exercise, Sport, and Recreation, and to facilitate the Establishment of Centres for Social Activities related thereto," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 26th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to provide for the Development of Facilities for, and the Encouragement of, Physical Training, Exercise, Sport, and Recreation, and to facilitate the Establishment of Centres for Social Activities related thereto.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

7. *Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

8. *Army Board Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Army Board Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Jones moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of Colonel Hargest, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

And the hour of twenty-three minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

9. *Committee of Supply (Financial Debate).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £110,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending the 31st March, 1938. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

To report progress and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had made progress in the Estimates, and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-four minutes after nine of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 27th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Papers, Consideration of.*—With the leave of the House, the list of Papers for consideration was called over, and, where there appeared to be no objection, the following Papers were deleted: Papers Nos. 1, 4, 7, 24, 26, 27, 33, 46, 47, 60, 75, 79, 82, 83, 99, 100, 111 to 113 inclusive, 115 to 119 inclusive, 124, 139, 148, 150, 152, and 154.

3. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of M. Kostanich, W. Black, R. F. Jamieson, J. Dineen, J. B. Blinkhorne, and R. H. Dalhousie, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petition of R. H. Dalhousie be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petition of R. F. Jamieson be referred to the Government for consideration.

4. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 19.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide a Plan for effecting a Reduction in the Number of Local Authorities, with a view to securing a Reduction of Expenditure and a Greater Measure of Efficiency in Local Government," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House.

Wellington, 27th October, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to provide a Plan for effecting a Reduction in the Number of Local Authorities, with the view to securing a Reduction of Expenditure and a Greater Measure of Efficiency in Local Government.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

5. *Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

6. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day, and consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 8.

7. *Army Board Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Army Board 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 read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed next sitting-day.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 28th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

157. Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, Order in Council under the, amending the Post Office Savings-bank Regulations.

158. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order 1937, No. 10, made under the, prohibiting the Importation of (i) Bronze Coin and (ii) Coin not referred to in Coined Silver Regulations, 1931.

159. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order 1937, No. 9, made under the, prohibiting the Importation of Second-hand Clothing.

160. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Export Prohibition Order 1937, No. 5, made under the, prohibiting the Exportation of Arms, Explosives, and Military and Naval Stores to the New Hebrides.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

3. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 20.*

The Bill intituled the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Act, 1937, as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill.

Government House,
Wellington, 26th October, 1937.

4. *Borough of Ngaruawahia Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Borough of Ngaruawahia Empowering Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

5. *Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

6. *Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

7. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

8. *New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

9. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill, the Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill, the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill, the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill, and the New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill.

10. *Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to confer upon the Ngaruawahia Borough Council certain Powers over that Area of Land within the Borough of Ngaruawahia popularly known as 'The Point,' and more particularly defined in the Schedule hereto."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

11. *Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to authorize the Auckland Harbour Board to borrow the Sum of One million Pounds for the Purpose of constructing Harbour-works."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

12. *Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to empower the Motueka Borough Council to raise a Loan for the Purpose of acquiring and paying for the Establishment of an Aerodrome at Motueka."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

13. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to authorize the Wanganui Harbour Board to borrow the Sum of Fifteen thousand Pounds to complete the Raising of the Moles at the Mouth of the Wanganui River, and for other Matters incidental thereto."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

14. *New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to empower the New Plymouth Borough Council to expend Moneys for the Maintenance and Development of the New Plymouth Borough and the District adjacent thereto as a Tourist Resort and Watering-place."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

15. *Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill;

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry (with the leave of the House), the Bill was ordered to be read a second time *pro forma*, with a view to its being referred to a Select Committee to be set up to consider it.

The Bill was read a second time *pro forma* accordingly.

16. *Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting (by leave) of fourteen Members, to consider the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill, and to report generally upon the provisions of the Bill; the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderton, the Honourable Mr. Barnard, the Right Honourable Mr. Coates, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Dickie, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Kyle, Mr. Munro, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Robertson, Captain Rushworth, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Williams, and the Mover.

17. *Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry, *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee.

18. *Air Force Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Air Force Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

19. *Air Department Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Air Department Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

20. *Army Board Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Army Board Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

21. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Air Force Bill, the Air Department Bill, and the Army Board Bill.

22. *Air Force Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Air Force Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to provide for the Establishment, Organization, Discipline, and Maintenance of an Air Force, to be called the Royal New Zealand Air Force."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

23. *Air Department Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Air Department Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to establish a Department of State, to be called the Air Department, and to define its functions."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

24. *Army Board Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had made progress in the Army Board Bill and moved that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-eight minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Friday, the 29th Day of October, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order on the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Anderton on account of illness in his family.

4. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
161. Fire Boards.—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of undermentioned Fire Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Pahiatua, Palmerston North, and Te Awamutu]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Waitara, Whangarei, Taumarunui, and Te Awamutu].

5. *Committee of Supply (Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made and question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £110,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

Amendment proposed: To reduce the total vote by the sum of £10. *(Honourable Mr. Hamilton.)*

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

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Armstrong	Hultquist	Nordmeyer
Barclay	Hunter	Osborne
Barnes	Jones	Parry
Barrell	Langstone	Richards
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Carr	Lowry	Sullivan
Coleman	Lyon	Thorn
Cotterill	McCombs	Williams.
Coulter	Martin	
Denham	Mason	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Moncur	McKeen
Herring	Munro	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Nash	

NOES, 16.

Atmore	Hamilton	Rushworth
Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	Wright.
Cobbe	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Endean	Ngata	Broadfoot
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put on the reduction, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 14.

Burnett, T. D.	Hamilton	Roy
Cobbe	Hargest	Wright.
Dickie	Holland	*Tellers.*
Endean	Holyoake	Broadfoot
Forbes	Ngata	Kyle.

NOES, 40.

Armstrong	Hultquist	Osborne
Atmore	Hunter	Parry
Barclay	Jones	Richards
Barnes	Langstone	Rushworth
Barrell	Lee	Savage
Campbell	Lowry	Sexton
Carr	Lyon	Sullivan
Coleman	McCombs	Thorn
Cotterill	McDougall	Webb
Coulter	Martin	Williams.
Denham	Moncur	
Fraser	Munro	*Tellers.*
Herring	Nash	McKeen
Hodgens	Nordmeyer	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

Vote agreed to.

To report the Resolution and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until eighteen minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 2nd Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Neilson on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Wilson on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Schramm on account of illness in his family.

3. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

162. Railways Statement, by the Hon. D. G. Sullivan, Minister of Railways, together with Report of General Manager of Railways, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. D.–2.

163. Cinematograph Films Act, 1928, Order in Council amending Regulations under the, relative to Censorship of Posters.

164. Maori Purposes Fund Act, 1934–35: Maori Purposes Fund Regulations 1937.

165. East Coast Native Trust Lands (Mangatu Nos. 1, 3, and 4 Blocks): Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts for the Period 1st July, 1936, to 30th June, 1937.

166. East Coast Native Trust Lands: Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts for the Period 1st July, 1936, to 30th June, 1937.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 162, 165, and 166 be printed.

Papers Nos. 165 and 166 stand referred to the Native Affairs Committee.

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee.*—Mr. Munro (for the Honourable Mr. Barnard), from the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee, brought up a Special Report, and the same was read as follows:—

I have the honour to report that the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee has passed the following Resolution: That the proceedings of the Committee during the taking of evidence be open to accredited representatives of the press.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. Munro, *Ordered*, That the Resolution be adopted and agreed to.

6. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Whangarei Airport Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Whangarei Airport Bill.*—The Whangarei Airport Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.

8. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Amy Platt, H. Trewby, J. F. B. Smith and others (taxi-drivers of the City of Auckland), and J. J. Meikle, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petition of Amy Platt be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

9. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 21.*

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision for the payment of salaries, wages, and contingencies for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1938.

Government House,
Wellington, 2nd November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to the Committee of Supply.

10. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Imprest Supply (No. 2) Bill and proceedings preliminary thereto.

(Suspension of Sitting.)—With the leave of the House, it was agreed to take an adjournment from the hour of half after nine of the clock p.m. until the hour of ten of the clock p.m.

11. *Committee of Supply (Imprest).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding six million eight hundred and seventy-eight thousand pounds be granted to His Majesty, by way of Imprest, for the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

And the Question being proposed, That the Resolution be now read a second time;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Wednesday morning;

WEDNESDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1937.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Resolution was read a second time accordingly, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Resolution be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. *Ways and Means.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Ways and Means;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That, in addition to all sums otherwise granted, there may be issued and applied, by way of Imprest, towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight,—

(*a*) Out of the respective funds and accounts (being part of the Public Account) specified in the First Schedule hereto, an sums of money not exceeding in the whole six million one hundred and sixty thousand pounds, as set forth in that Schedule:

(*b*) Out of the respective accounts mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto, the respective sums therein set forth, not exceeding in the whole seven hundred and eighteen thousand pounds.

The aforesaid sums shall be charged in the manner hereafter to be expressed in any Act or Acts passed in this present session of Parliament for appropriating the public revenues of the Dominion for the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

	£
The Consolidated Fund—	
Ordinary Revenue Account	3,000,000
The Public Works Fund—	
General Purposes Account	1,000,000
Electric Supply Account	120,000
Separate Accounts—	
Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account	10,000
Land for Settlements Account	20,000
Main Highways Account	600,000
State Coal-mines Account	55,000
State Forests Account	45,000
Working Railways Account	1,310,000
	£6,160,000

SECOND SCHEDULE.

	£
The Post Office Account	500,000
The Public Trustee's Account	60,000
The Native Trustee's Account	3,000
The Government Insurance Account	50,000
The Public Service Superannuation Fund Account	2,000
The State Fire Insurance Account	40,000
The Government Accident Insurance Account	3,000
The Dairy Industry Account	10,000
The Internal Marketing Account	5,000
The Broadcasting Account	45,000
	£718,000

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Right Honourable Mr. Savage and the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13. *Imprest Supply (No. 2) Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented a Bill to apply a Sum of Money out of the Public Account and other Accounts to the Service of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, which was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

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

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to apply a Sum of Money out of the Public Account and other Accounts to the Service of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-five minutes after twelve of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 3rd Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Thorn (for Mr. Schramm), *Ordered*, That the Public Petitions A to L Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. McCombs on account of illness in his family.

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 22.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Coal-mines Act, 1925," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 3rd November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Coal-mines Act, 1925.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Webb do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

6. *Coal-mines Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Webb, according to Order, presented the Coal-mines Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Goldfields and Mines Committee.

7. *Funeral Directors Registration Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Funeral Directors Registration Bill;

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Funeral Directors Registration Bill be discharged and that the Bill be withdrawn.

8. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 5.

9. *Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill;

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Statutes Revision Committee.

10. *Army Board Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee on the Army Board Bill;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 again read and agreed to.

Clauses 2 and 3 read and agreed to.

Clause 4 read. Amendment proposed: To omit the word "three" in paragraph (*b*), line 12, and to substitute the word "four". *(Right Honourable Mr. Coates.)*

And the Question being put on the retention of the word, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 43.

Anderton	Hunter	Parry
Armstrong	Jones	Petrie
Barclay	Langstone	Richards
Barrell	Lee	Roberts
Burnett, C. H.	Lowry	Robertson
Campbell	Lyon	Savage
Carr	McMillan	Semple
Chapman	Martin	Sullivan
Cotterill	Mason	Thorn
Coulter	Meachen	Webb
Denham	Moncur	Williams.
Fraser	Munro	
Herring	Nash	*Tellers.*
Hodgens	Nordmeyer	McKeen
Hultquist	Osborne	O'Brien.

NOES, 20.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Sexton
Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	Smith
Coates	Holland	Wilkinson
Cobbe	Holyoake	Wright.
Dickie	Ransom	*Tellers.*
Endean	Roy	Broadfoot
Forbes	Rushworth	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 5 to 7 inclusive read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Army Board Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to constitute an Army Board and to define its Functions."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

11. *Broadcasting Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Broadcasting Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Jones moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption next sitting-day, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 4th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Sitting of House.*—With the leave of the House, it was agreed to interrupt the sitting at five of the clock p.m. instead of half after five of the clock p.m. this day.

2. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Broadfoot, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Polson on account of illness.

4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

167. Education of Native Children: Report of Inspector of Native Schools, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. E.–3.

168. Education.—Higher Education: Reports and Accounts of the University of New Zealand and Constituent Colleges, together with Tables, &c. E.–7.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

169. Rangitaiki Land Drainage: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937, together with Statements of Accounts. C.–11.

170. Swamp Drainage, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937, together with Statements of Accounts. C.–4.

171. Naval Defence Act, 1913, Order in Council amending Regulations under the.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 167 to 170 inclusive be printed.

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

6. *Message from Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed a Bill intituled the Alsatian Dog Act, 1937, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

7. *Alsatian Dog Bill.—Ordered*, That the Bill from the Legislative Council to more strictly control Alsatian Dogs be now read a first time.

The Bill was read a first time accordingly, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday, the 10th day of November.

8. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Air Force Act, 1937, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

9. *Air Force Bill.—Ordered*, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Air Force Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones, *Ordered*, That the amendment be agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that this House has agreed to its amendment in the said Bill.

10. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Air Department Act, 1937, without amendment.

11. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the New Plymouth Airport Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

12. *New Plymouth Airport Bill.—Ordered*, That the New Plymouth Airport Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 11th day of November.

13. *Lands Committee : Special Report relating to Standing Orders on Local Bills.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, also brought up a Special Report relating to the Standing Orders on Local Bills, and the same was read as follows :—

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has passed the following Resolution, and directed me to report the same to the House :—

"That in the opinion of this Committee, the Standing Orders relating to Local Bills should provide that the descriptions of land in the Schedules to Local Bills be certified to by the Chief Surveyor of the Land District in which the land is situated."

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

14. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Dunedin City Empowering Bill, and the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

15. *Dunedin City Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Dunedin City Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 11th day of November.

16. *Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 11th day of November.

17. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Dan te Koeti, Te Rauna Hape and others, Ngohengohe Taera, George Tuuta and others, Rititia Irihei, Te Rauna Hape and others (2), H. K. Hovell, and Mutu Karaitiana ; and on Parliamentary Papers Nos. 101 to 104 inclusive, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petitions of Te Rauna Hape and others (2), and H. K. Hovell be referred to the Government for consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Mutu Karaitiana be referred to the Government for inquiry.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Native Affairs Committee on Parliamentary Papers Nos. 101 to 104 inclusive be referred to the Government.

18. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Ada I. Chandler and J. A. Hart, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petitions of Ada I. Chandler and J. A. Hart be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

19. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 23.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 4th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Armstrong do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

20. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Armstrong, according to Order, presented the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Armstrong (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Labour Bills Committee.

21. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of C. E. Gregory, G. V. Smith and others, and A. A. Fraser and others, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petition of C. E. Gregory be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petitions of G. V. Smith and others and A. A. Fraser and others be referred to the Government for consideration.

22. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Broadcasting Amendment Bill.

And the Question being put, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 47.

Anderton	Hultquist	Petrie
Armstrong	Hunter	Ratana
Barclay	Jones	Roberts
Barnes	Langstone	Robertson
Barrell	Lee	Rushworth
Burnett, C. H.	Lowry	Savage
Campbell	Lyon	Schramm
Carr	McDougall	Semple
Chapman	McMillan	Sexton
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Cotterill	Meachen	Thorn
Coulter	Moncur	Tirikatene
Cullen	Munro	Williams.
Denham	Nash	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Howard	Osborne	Richards.

NOES, 15.

Bodkin	Holland	Wright.
Cobbe	Holyoake	
Dickie	Ransom	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Roy	Broadfoot
Hamilton	Smith	Endean.
Hargest	Wilkinson	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Broadcasting Amendment Bill.

23. *Broadcasting Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Broadcasting Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And the hour of half after nine of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

Debate resumed.

And the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Friday morning;

FRIDAY, THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1937.

The Right Honourable Mr. Coates moved, seconded by Mr. Bodkin, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That", with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "this House is of opinion that, in view of the fact that the veracity and integrity of public men has been questioned, this Bill should not be proceeded with until a Royal Commission has reported to the House on the following questions: (1) All matters relating to broadcasting policy affecting the national and commercial services and the B stations, with full details of the purchase by the Government of private stations; (2) all matters particularly concerning the 'jamming' of station 1ZB at Auckland in November, 1935; (3) all the circumstances leading up to the appointment of the present Controller of Commercial Broadcasting; and (4) the business associations, agencies, and financial transactions connected with the establishment of the commercial broadcasting services."

And the Question and amendment being proposed, a Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 40.

Anderton	Howard	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Richards
Barrell	Jones	Roberts
Burnett, C. H.	Langstone	Robertson
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Carr	Lowry	Schramm
Chapman	McMillan	Sullivan
Christie	Martin	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Coulter	Nash	
Cullen	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 15.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Coates	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Endean	Ransom	Broadfoot
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.
Hamilton	Smith	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Original Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 40.

Anderton	Howard	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Richards
Barrell	Jones	Roberts
Burnett, C. H.	Lee	Robertson
Campbell	Lowry	Savage
Carr	McMillan	Schramm
Chapman	Martin	Sullivan
Christie	Mason	Thorn
Coleman	Meachen	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Coulter	Nash	
Cullen	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 15.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Coates	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	
Endean	Ransom	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Roy	Broadfoot
Hamilton	Smith	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 40.

Anderton	Hultquist	Ratana
Barnes	Jones	Richards
Barrell	Langstone	Roberts
Burnett, C. H.	Lee	Robertson
Campbell	Lowry	Savage
Carr	McMillan	Schramm
Chapman	Martin	Sullivan
Christie	Mason	Thorn
Coleman	Meachen	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Coulter	Nash	
Cullen	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 15.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Coates	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	
Endean	Ransom	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Roy	Broadfoot
Hamilton	Smith	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 2 read. Amendment proposed: To omit the word "Minister" in line 19, and to substitute the word "Director". *(Colonel Hargest.)*

And the Question being put on the retention of the word, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 39.

Anderton	Jones	Richards
Barnes	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Campbell	Lowry	Savage
Carr	McMillan	Schramm
Chapman	Martin	Sullivan
Christie	Mason	Thorn
Coleman	Meachen	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Coulter	Nash	
Cullen	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.
Hultquist	Ratana	

NOES, 15.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Coates	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Endean	Ransom	Broadfoot
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.
Hamilton	Smith	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another amendment proposed: To omit subclause (7), and to substitute the following:—

"(7) There shall from time to time be appointed by the Governor-General in Council a Controller of the National Commercial Broadcasting Service after applications have been called and a recommendation made by the Public Service Commissioners." *(Honourable Mr. Hamilton.)*

And the Question being put on the retention of the subclause, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 39.

Anderton	Jones	Richards
Barnes	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Campbell	Lowry	Savage
Carr	McMillan	Schramm
Chapman	Martin	Sullivan
Christie	Mason	Thorn
Coleman	Meachen	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Coulter	Nash	
Cullen	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.
Hultquist	Ratana	

NOES, 15.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Coates	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Endean	Ransom	Broadfoot
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.
Hamilton	Smith	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 3 and 4 read and agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the following new clause be added to the Bill:—

"4A. The annual license fee payable in respect of a receiving radio set shall not exceed twenty shillings." *(Mr. Bodkin.)*

Clause read a first time.

And the Question being put, That the clause be read a second time, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 15.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Coates	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Endean	Ransom	Broadfoot
Forbes	Roy	Kyle.
Hamilton	Smith	

NOES, 40.

Anderton	Hunter	Ratana
Barnes	Jones	Richards
Barrell	Langstone	Roberts
Campbell	Lee	Robertson
Carr	Lowry	Savage
Chapman	McMillan	Schramm
Christie	Martin	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Cotterill	Meachen	Tirikatene
Coulter	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	
Denham	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Osborne	McKeen
Hultquist	Petrie	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

To report the Bill without amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Broadcasting Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until forty-one minutes after four of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 5th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bills intituled the Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Act, 1937, and the New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Army Board Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Imprest Supply Act (No. 2), 1937, which the Council returns to the House of Representatives as one of its Bills of Supply. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bill intituled the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

2. *Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill be considered on Thursday, the 11th day of November.

3. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Private Bill intituled the Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive.

5. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the following classes of the Estimates : Prime Minister's Department, Treasury Department, Customs Department, Land and Income Tax Department, Stamp Duties Department, Audit Department, Department of Health, Mental Hospitals Department, and Education Department.

7. *Committee of Supply.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £25,505 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Prime Minister's Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £40,647 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Treasury Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £125,342 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Customs Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

Agreed to on voices.

Vote agreed to.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £161,870 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land and Income Tax Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £94,741 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £42,876 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Audit Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,141,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £390,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,745,325 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-nine minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 9th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed a Private Bill intituled the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Act, 1937, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

2. *Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Bill from the Legislative Council to extend the Powers of the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees so as to enable such Board to amalgamate Investments of Trust Funds now or hereafter to be held by or vested in it, be now read a first time.

The Bill was read a first time accordingly.

3. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed a Private Bill intituled the Church of England Trusts Amendment Act, 1937, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

4. *Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Bill from the Legislative Council to amend the Church of England Trusts Act, 1913, be now read a first time.

The Bill was read a first time accordingly.

5. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Private Estate Bill intituled the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Act, 1937, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

6. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bill intituled the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

7. *Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill be considered on Thursday, the 11th day of November.

8. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive, with the exception of No. 8.

9. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

10. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business down to and including Order of Business No. 9, with the exception of No. 8, was postponed until after consideration of Notice of Motion No. 1.

11. *Government Business on Wednesdays.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That on and after Wednesday, the 10th day of November, and for the remainder of the session, Government business shall take precedence on Wednesdays.

12. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Dr. McMillan on account of urgent public business.

13. *New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors Bill.—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the Registration of Funeral Directors; and that Mr. McKeen do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. McKeen accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. McKeen (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Public Health Committee.

14. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

172. Public Service Commissioners: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–14.

173. Agriculture, Department of: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–29.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

174. Scenery Preservation: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937, together with Statement of Expenditure and Schedule of Lands acquired and reserved under the Scenery Preservation Act during the Year. C.–6.

175. Discharged Soldiers Settlement, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–9.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 172 to 175 inclusive be printed.

15. *Education Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Carr, from the Education Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of E. Marryatt, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

16. *Labour Bills Committee.*—Mr. McKeen, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

17. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill.—Ordered*, That the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill be committed next sitting-day.

18. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the following classes of the Estimates: Naval Services, Army, Air Department, Post Office Account, Department of Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Valuation Department, State Forests Account, Census and Statistics Department, Government Insurance Account, Government Accident Insurance Account, State Fire Insurance Account, Public Service Superannuation Fund Account, and State Advances Account.

19. *Committee of Supply (Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £734,797 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Naval Services for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £550,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Army for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £315,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Air Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,392,352 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £133,538 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. *(Honourable Mr. Sullivan.)*

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

Agreed to on voices.

Vote agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £355,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity. *(Honourable Mr. Sullivan* and *Honourable Mr. Langstone.)*

It was agreed to discuss the vote in two parts, as shown on the Estimates.

Vote agreed to.

On motion of Honourable Mr. Langstone,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £62,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Valuation Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £399,522 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forest Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Langstone.)*

Amendment proposed: To reduce the vote by £92,000, by omitting Subdivision IX. *(Honourable Mr. Hamilton.)*

And the Question being put on the reduction, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 11.

Burnett, T. D.	Hamilton	Ransom.
Coates	Hargest	*Tellers.*
Cobbe	Holland	Bodkin
Dickie	Holyoake	Broadfoot.

NOES, 32.

Anderton	Hodgens	Osborne
Barclay	Langstone	Richards
Barnes	Lee	Robertson
Barrell	Lowry	Savage
Burnett, C. H.	Lyon	Schramm
Christie	McCombs	Sullivan
Coleman	Martin	Thorn
Cotterill	Mason	Williams.
Coulter	Meachen	*Tellers.*
Cullen	Moncur	McKeen
Herring	Nash	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

Vote agreed to.

On motion of Honourable Mr. Nash,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £33,999 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £325,783 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £28,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Accident Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £87,956 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,504 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Superannuation Fund Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,867 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Advances Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

And the Committee, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Wednesday morning;

WEDNESDAY, THE 10TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1937.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-eight minutes after twelve of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 10th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Barnes, *Ordered*, That the Lands Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

4. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Ethel Cosgrove, F. H. Fearnley, H. Hawke, and W. Coward, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

5. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committal of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Armstrong moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now committed.

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of Mr. Sexton, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

And then the hour of twenty-six minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Broadcasting Amendment Bill.

7. *Broadcasting Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Broadcasting Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Jones moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a third time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the hour of half after nine of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

Debate resumed.

And the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Thursday morning;

THURSDAY, THE 11TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1937.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a third time, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 38.

Anderton	Hultquist	Roberts
Armstrong	Jones	Robertson
Barclay	Lowry	Savage
Barrell	Lyon	Schramm
Campbell	Mason	Sexton
Chapman	Meachen	Sullivan
Coleman	Moncur	Thorn
Coulter	Nash	Tirikatene
Cullen	Nordmeyer	Webb
Denham	Osborne	Williams.
Herring	Petrie	*Tellers.*
Hodgens	Ratana	McKeen
Howard	Richards	O'Brien.

NOES, 9.

Bodkin	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Coates	Ransom	Broadfoot
Hamilton	Smith.	Endean.
Hargest		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Broadcasting Act, 1936."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until forty minutes after one of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 11th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency :—

177. Public Domains and National Parks of New Zealand, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. C.–10.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

178. Hauraki Plains, Drainage Operations in : Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937, together with Statements of Accounts. C.–8.

179. Canterbury Provincial Buildings Board : Statement of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937.

180. Coal-mines Act, 1925 : Assignment by way of Mortgage of All Interest in Coal Lease No. 10456, Westport, from the Hydro Coal Mines, Limited, to Bailie and Company, Limited.

182. Fire Boards.—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards : For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Kaitangata and Waitara] ; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Oamaru].

The following Papers were laid upon the Table with the leave of the House :—

176. Printing and Stationery Department : Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–36.

181. International Labour Conference : Report of New Zealand Government Delegation on the Twenty-third Session of the Conference held at Geneva in 1937. A.–5c.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 176 to 178 inclusive and 181 be printed.

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

4. *Joint Library Committee.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser (for the Honourable Mr. Barnard), from the Joint Library Committee, brought up the following Report :—

I am directed to report that the Joint Library Committee has duly received and adopted the report of the Chief Librarian on the operations of the General Assembly Library, together with the balance-sheet for the year 1936–37.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

5. *Labour Bills Committee.*—Mr. McKeen, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

6. *New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works Bill.—Ordered*, That the New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works Bill be committed next sitting-day.

7. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill and the Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

8. *Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 18th day of November.

9. *Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 18th day of November.

10. *Joint Committee on Bills.*—Mr. Howard, from the Joint Committee on Bills, brought up a Report on the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

The Joint Committee on Bills, to which was referred the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill, has the honour to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the Bill is a Public Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

11. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill.—Ordered*, That the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

12. *Joint Committee on Bills.*—Mr. Howard, from the Joint Committee on Bills, also brought up a Report on the Hurunui Licensing Committee Enabling Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

The Joint Committee on Bills, to which was referred the Hurunui Licensing Committee Enabling Bill, has the honour to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the Bill is a Public Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

13. *Hurunui Licensing Committee Enabling Bill.—Ordered*, That the Hurunui Licensing Committee Enabling Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

14. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Cullen (for Mr. Barnes), from the Lands Committee, brought up Reports on the Whangarei Airport Bill, and the Petition of J. W. Silcock and others, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Lands Committee on the Petition of J. W. Silcock and others be referred to the Government for inquiry.

15. *Whangarei Airport Bill.—Ordered*, That the Whangarei Airport Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 18th day of November.

16. *Agricultural and Pastoral Committee.*—Mr. Roberts, from the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of L. G. de la Perrelle and others, and W. R. Cockburn, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee on the Petition of W. R. Cockburn be referred to the Government for consideration.

17. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Alice A. Wilkin and T. F. Simpson, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

18. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 24.*

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the New Plymouth Airport Bill, and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto may affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,
Wellington, 9th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the said Resolution, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

19. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day for Local Bills Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive was postponed in order to consider Orders of the Day for Local Bills Nos. 4 and 5.

20. *Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill;

On motion of Mr. Holyoake, *Ordered*, That the amendment be agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House has agreed to its amendment in the said Bill.

21. *Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill;

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, *Resolved*, That the amendment made by way of proviso to clause 6 of the Bill be agreed to, but with an amendment extending the period of two days mentioned therein to four days.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, *Ordered*, That Mr. Coulter, Mr. Petrie, and the Mover be a Committee to prepare reasons to be assigned to the Legislative Council for disagreeing with their amendment.

22. *New Plymouth Airport Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the New Plymouth Airport Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

23. *Dunedin City Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Dunedin City Empowering Bill;

On motion of Mr. Munro, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Dunedin City Empowering Bill be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

24. *Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill was deferred until Thursday, the 18th day of November.

25. *Committal of Bill.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the New Plymouth Airport Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 65 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 65A read and agreed to.

Clauses 66 to 71 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 72 read. Amendment proposed: To omit the word "seven" in subclause (7), line 34, and to substitute the word "twelve". *(Mr. Smith.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 73 to 80 inclusive read and agreed to.

First to Fourth Schedules inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

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26. *New Plymouth Airport Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the New Plymouth Airport Bill, and had made amendment therein.

With the leave of the House, the Report was ordered to be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to repeal the New Plymouth Airport Act, 1933, and to make Better Provision with respect to the Management of the Aerodrome established thereunder."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

27. *Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, from the Committee appointed to prepare reasons to be assigned to the Legislative Council for disagreeing with its amendment in the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Bill, brought up a Report embodying the reasons, and the same was read as follows:—

(*a*) When St. Patrick's Day does not fall on a Saturday it is the custom of the association to hold its regatta on the nearest Saturday thereto.

(*b*) Two days (Sunday being one of the two) is an inadequate time for the removal of barges and other river-craft. Four days would be a more appropriate period to allow.

(*c*) The clearing of waterways and grounds after the regatta is of primary importance to the association. Therefore it may be depended upon that no undue delay would ever occur.

Ordered, That the reasons be considered forthwith.

The same were accordingly read and agreed to.

Ordered, That a message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House has agreed to their amendment in the Bill intituled the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937, but with an amendment in which it requests their concurrence, and that the reasons for such amendment be also transmitted, together with the Bill and amendment.

28. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

29. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) Bill be now committed;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

The amendments made by the Labour Bills Committee in the Bill were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 and 2 read and agreed to.

Clause 3 read. Amendment proposed: In line 31, after the word "on", to insert the words "the recommendation of the Federation of workers and employers concerned and failing any such recommendation within seven days on". *(Mr. Smith.)*

Negatived on voices.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 4 read and agreed to.

Clause 5 read. Amendment proposed: To add the following proviso: "Provided, however, that this section shall not apply in the case of farmers owning fewer than five hundred ewes so far as the sheep-farming part of their business is concerned". *(Mr. Sexton.)*

And the Question being put on the addition, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 15.

Atmore	Endean	Wilkinson.
Bodkin	Hamilton	
Broadfoot	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Burnett, T. D.	Ransom	Rushworth
Cobbe	Roy	Sexton.
Dickie	Smith	

NOES, 35.

Anderton	Hultquist	Ratana
Armstrong	Hunter	Richards
Barclay	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lowry	Robertson
Campbell	Martin	Savage
Chapman	Mason	Schramm
Coleman	Meachen	Thorn
Cotterill	Moncur	Tirikatene
Coulter	Munro	Webb.
Fraser	Nash	*Tellers.*
Herring	Osborne	McKeen
Hodgens	Petrie	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 6 to 9 inclusive read and agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the following new clause be added to the Bill:—

"10. Nothing in section four herein shall empower the Court to delegate its functions in respect of the hearing of disputes or the making of awards." *(Honourable Mr. Hamilton.)*

Clause read a first time.

And the Question being put on the second reading, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 15.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Burnett, T. D.	Holyoake	
Coates	Ransom	*Tellers.*
Cobbe	Roy	Broadfoot
Dickie	Sexton	Endean.
Hamilton	Smith	

NOES, 36.

Anderton	Hultquist	Richards
Armstrong	Hunter	Roberts
Atmore	Langstone	Robertson
Barclay	Lowry	Savage
Barrell	Lyon	Schramm
Campbell	Martin	Thorn
Chapman	Mason	Tirikatene
Coleman	Meachen	Webb.
Cotterill	Moncur	
Coulter	Nash	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Osborne	McKeen
Herring	Petrie	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Ratana	

So it passed in the negative.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-one minutes after ten of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 12th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill;

On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and stands referred to the Committee of Selection.

3. *Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill;

On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Resolved*, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council be agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that this House has agreed to its amendments in the said Bill.

4. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business down to and including Order of Business No. 7 was postponed in order to consider Notice of Motion No. 1.

6. *Sitting of the House.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That on and after Monday, the 15th day of November, the House do sit on Mondays from half after two of the clock p.m. to half after ten of the clock p.m., with a suspension of the sitting from half after five of the clock p.m. to half after seven of the clock p.m., and that, if not previously reached, the House proceed to Orders of the Day at half after seven of the clock p.m. each day.

7. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for seven days be granted to Mr. Denham on account of urgent public business.

8. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

183. General Assembly Library: Report of Chief Librarian for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–32.

184. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Report of the New Zealand Workers' Delegate to the Twentieth Session of the Conference held at Geneva in June, 1936.

185. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Report of the New Zealand Government Delegate to the Twentieth Session of the Conference held at Geneva in June, 1936.

186. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Report of the New Zealand Employers' Delegate to the Twentieth Session of the Conference held at Geneva in June, 1936.

187. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Report of the New Zealand Workers' Delegate to the Twenty-third Session of the Conference held at Geneva in June, 1937.

188. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Report of the New Zealand Employers' Delegate to the Twenty-third Session of the Conference held at Geneva in June, 1937.

189. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Draft Conventions and Recommendations adopted by the Conference at its Twenty-first Session held at Geneva in October, 1936.

190. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Draft Convention adopted by the Conference at its Twenty-second Session held at Geneva in October, 1936.

191. League of Nations.—International Labour Conference: Draft Conventions and Recommendations adopted by the Conference at its Twenty-third Session held at Geneva in June, 1937.

Ordered, That Paper No. 183 be printed.

9. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the following Classes of the Estimates: Department of Internal Affairs, Pensions Department, Marine Department, Police Department, National Provident Fund and Friendly Societies Department, and Labour Department.

10. *Committee of Supply (Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £456,415 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Parry.)*

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

Agreed to on voices.

Vote agreed to.

On motion of Honourable Mr. Parry, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £6,769,423 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Pensions Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of Honourable Mr. Fraser,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £158,987 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Marine Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £610,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £121,505 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the National Provident Fund and Friendly Societies Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of Honourable Mr. Armstrong, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £120,964 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Labour Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has agreed to the further amendment made by the House of Representatives in the Bill intituled the Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-five minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Monday, the 15th Day of November, 1937.

The House met this Day at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill was deferred.

2. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Neilson on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for seven days be granted to Mr. Denham on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Coulter on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Dr. McMillan on account of urgent public business.

4. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency :—

193. Mines Statement, by Hon. P. C. Webb, Minister of Mines, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. C.–2.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

192. Native Purposes Act, 1936 : Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 123, of 1936, of Waaka te Arakai and others, so far as it relates to Wharewaka Reserve.

194. Apiaries Act, 1927, Apiary Registration Regulations made under the.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 192 and 193 be printed.

Paper No. 192 stands referred to the Native Affairs Committee.

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business No. 9.

6. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Report on the Coal-mines Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Coal-mines Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Coal-mines Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.

8. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency ; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 25.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Electoral Act, 1927," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 15th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, that this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Electoral Act, 1927.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Mason do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

9. *Electoral Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Electoral Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

10. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 26.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to apply the Provisions of the Companies (Special Liquidations) Act, 1934–35, to the First Mortgage Freehold Security Company of New Zealand, Limited," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 15th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to apply the Provisions of the Companies (Special Liquidations) Act, 1934–35, to the First Mortgage Freehold Security Company of New Zealand. Limited.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

11. *Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

12. *Papers, Consideration of.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of all other Papers was postponed in order to consider Papers Nos. 10, 19, 28, 43, 62 to 64 inclusive, 76 to 78 inclusive, 89, 92 to 96 inclusive, 105, 120 to 122 inclusive, and 126.

Mr. Broadfoot moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 10 (Mental Hospitals of the Dominion, Report of Director-General on, for Year ended 31st December, 1936, H.–7) be referred to the Government for consideration.

And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 19 (National Provident Fund: Annual Report of Board for Year ended 31st December, 1936, H.–17) be referred to the Government for consideration.

And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 28 (State Advances Office: Annual Report by Minister showing Applications for State-guaranteed Loans) be referred to the Government for consideration.

And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 43 (Government Insurance Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1936, H.–8) be referred to the Government for consideration.

And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Kyle moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 62 (Department of Health: Annual Report of Director-General, for Year ended 31st March, 1937, H.–31) be referred to the Government for consideration.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

13. *Sale of Wool Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Sale of Wool Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

14. *Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Parry moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption next sitting-day, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 16th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill.

On motion of Mr. Chapman, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and stands referred to the Committee of Selection.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of illness.

5. *Papers.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

196. Tobacco-growing Industry Act, 1935, Tobacco Board Fund Regulations made under the.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

195. Public Works Statement, 1937, by the Hon. R. Semple, Minister of Public Works. D.–1.

Ordered, That Paper No. 195 be printed.

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the following classes of the Estimates: Public Service Commissioners' Office, Department of External Affairs, Department of Agriculture, Department of Lands and Survey, Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account, Land for Settlements Account, Maintenance of Public Works and Services, Electoral Department, Printing and Stationery Department, Mines Department, State Coal-mines Account, Department of Justice and Prisons, and Crown Law Office.

7. *Committee of Supply (Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioners' Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £246,321 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £754,485 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £386,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Lands and Survey for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Langstone.)*

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided and the names were taken down as follows:—

AYES, 42.

Anderton	Langstone	Richards
Armstrong	Lee	Robertson
Atmore	Lowry	Savage
Barclay	Lyon	Schramm
Barrell	McCombs	Semple
Campbell	McDougall	Sullivan
Carr	Mason	Thorn
Chapman	Meachen	Tirikatene
Christie	Moncur	Webb
Cotterill	Munro	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Nordmeyer	McKeen
Herring	Osborne	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Parry	
Hultquist	Petrie	

NOES, 17.

Bodkin	Forbes	Smith
Burnett, T. D.	Hamilton	Wilkinson
Coates	Holland	Wright.
Cobbe	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Ransom	Broadfoot
Endean	Roy	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Vote agreed to.

On motion of Honourable Mr. Langstone,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £400,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges the of Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

That progress be reported. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

Agreed to on voices.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act (No. 2), 1937, without amendment.

9. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the first reading of the Finance and Petroleum Bills about to be introduced, and to the proceedings preliminary thereto.

10. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 27.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House.

Wellington, 16th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

11. *Finance Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Finance Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

12. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 28.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Better Provision for the Encouragement and Regulation of Mining for Petroleum, and to provide for Matters incidental thereto," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 16th November, 1937.

Ordered, that the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to make Better Provision for the Encouragement and Regulation of Mining for Petroleum, and to provide for Matters incidental thereto.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Webb do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

13. *Petroleum Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Webb, according to Order, presented the Petroleum Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma* and referred to the Goldfields and Mines Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twelve minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 17th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That the Native Affairs Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Polson on account of illness.

4. *Papers.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

198. Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks: Annual Report of the Commissioner for Year ended 31st December, 1936. H.–10.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—
197. Native Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. G.-9.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 197 and 198 be printed.

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

6. *Education Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Carr, from the Education Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of C. B. Arnold and Eva M. Chillingworth, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Education Committee on the Petition of Eva M. Chillingworth be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

7. *Defence Committee.*—Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of W. McG. Turnbull and J. Hughes, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of W. McG. Turnbull be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of J. Hughes be referred to the Government for consideration.

8. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of J. Campbell and Myrtle E. Burne, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

9. *Statutes Revision Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

10. *Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.

11. *Adjournment (Questions and Replies).*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That Supplementary Order Papers Nos. 9 to 12 inclusive be taken separately for the purposes of discussion, and that the time-limit for the Debate be extended until the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. if necessary.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General.

12. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 29.*

The Bills intituled—

The Air Force Act, 1937,
The Air Department Act, 1937,
The Imprest Supply Act (No. 2), 1937,
The Army Board Act, 1937,
The New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937,
The Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Act, 1937, and
The Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,
Wellington, 13th November, 1937.

13. *Adjournment (Questions and Replies).*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, that this House do now adjourn.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

14. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Broadcasting Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

15. *Adjournment (Questions and Replies).*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

16. *Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill be now read a second time ;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until one minute after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Thursday, the 18th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Munro, *Ordered*, That the Local Bills Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard, from the Committee of Selection, brought up a Report on the Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill, and the same was read as follows :—

The Committee of Selection has the honour to report that, in pursuance of Rules 45 and 47 of the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, the Committee has appointed a Committee on the Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill, consisting of Mr. Coleman, Mr. Endean (the Member ordered to bring in the Bill), Mr. Holland, Mr. Wright, and the Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

3. *Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard, from the Committee of Selection, also brought up a Report on the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill, and the same was read as follows :—

The Committee of Selection has the honour to report that, in pursuance of Rules 45 and 47 of the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, the Committee has appointed a Committee on the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill, consisting of Mr. Chapman (the Member ordered to bring in the Bill), Mr. Coleman, Mr. Holland, Mr. Wright, and the Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

4. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

5. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Campbell on account of urgent public business.

6. *Papers.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

200. Primary Products Marketing Department: Annual Report, together with Accounts, for Year ended 31st July, 1937. H.–30.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

199. Transport Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–40.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 199 and 200 be printed.

7. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

8. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of J. Payne, C. Onyon (2), and Bachint Singh, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petition of Bachint Singh be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

9. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Te Kata Tamihana and another, Ngahina Tiwai Pomare and others, Haki Karawana, and Te Kata Tamihana, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Te Kata Tamihana and another be referred to the Government for consideration.

10. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of J. Cornelius and others, H. W. Costar, and J. A. Cruickshank, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

11. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 30.*

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the Whangarei Airport Bill and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto may affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,
Wellington, 9th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the said Resolution, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

12. *Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill ;

Dr. McMillan (for Mr. Munro) moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

13. *Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill ;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

14. *Whangarei Airport Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Whangarei Airport Bill ;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

15. *Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill ;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

16. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill, the Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill, the Whangarei Airport Bill, and the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.

17. *Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Act, 1900, and to validate certain Debentures issued by the Dunedin Drainage and Sewerage Board."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

18. *Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to authorize the Christchurch Tramway Board to adopt the System of Voting at Elections and Polls in the Central Sub-district of the Christchurch Tramway District by the marking of a Cross."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

19. *Whangarei Airport Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Whangarei Airport Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to provide for the Establishment of an Aerodrome for the District of Whangarei, for the Incorporation and Powers of an Airport Board in connection therewith, for the Conferring of Powers on the Whangarei Borough Council, the Whangarei County Council, and the Hikurangi Town Board, the Kamo Town Board, and the Onerahi Town Board with respect thereto, and for regulating the Rights, Powers, and Privileges of the said Councils and Boards with respect thereto."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

20. *Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to grant Further Borrowing-powers to the Timaru Harbour Board."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a message requesting their concurrence.

21. *Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

22. *Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

23. *Sale of Wool Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Sale of Wool Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

24. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Bill, the Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill, and the Sale of Wool Bill.

25. *Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to apply the Provisions of the Companies (Special Liquidations) Act, 1934–35, to the First Mortgage Freehold Security Company of New Zealand, Limited."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

(In the Committee.)

26. *Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill:*
Clause 1 read.
Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*
Agreed to on the voices.
Clause agreed to.
Clauses 2 to 18 inclusive read and agreed to.
To report the Bill without amendment.

27. *Sale of Wool Bill:*
Clause 1 read.
To report progress and move for leave to sit again.

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28. *Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Physical Welfare and Recreation Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.
The Bill was read a third time accordingly.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to provide for the Development of Facilities for, and the Encouragement of, Physical Training, Exercise, Sport, and Recreation, and to facilitate the Establishment of Centres for Social Activities related thereto."
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

29. *Sale of Wool Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had made progress in the Sale of Wool Bill and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.
Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

30. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 3) about to be introduced, and to the proceedings preliminary thereto.

31. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 31.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 18th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.
Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Armstrong do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

32. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 3).*—The Honourable Mr. Armstrong, according to Order, presented the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 3), which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

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

The Bill was read a second time accordingly and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

33. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bills intituled the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Act, 1937, and the New Plymouth Airport Act, 1937, without amendment.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-eight minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Friday, the 19th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

201. National Broadcasting Service: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. F.-3.

Ordered, That Paper No. 201 be printed.

3. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the following classes of the Estimates: Electoral Department, Printing and Stationery Department, Mines Department, State Coal-mines Account, Working Railways Account, Department of Justice and Prisons, and Crown Law Office.

4. *Committee of Supply (Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £9,842 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electoral Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £238,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £44,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mines Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £333,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Sullivan, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £7,687,967 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £327,590 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Justice and Prisons for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,869 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Crown Law Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. *Postponement of Order of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 2.

6. *Sale of Wool Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Sale of Wool Bill;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Sale of Wool Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to disallow, in relation to Contracts of Sale of Wool, the Practice of making the Deductions known as Draft Allowances."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until forty-six minutes after four of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Monday, the 22nd Day of November, 1937.

The House met this day at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Paper.*—Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter he had received from the Controller and Auditor-General :—

The Audit Office,
Wellington, 19th November, 1937.

The Honourable the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR,—

In compliance with the provisions of Section 107 (2) of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the Return of the Public Securities held in the Dominion and elsewhere as on the 31st March, 1937.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. FOWLER,
Controller and Auditor-General.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

202. Public Securities held in the Dominion or Elsewhere as on 31st March, 1937, together with Account of all Securities redeemed or otherwise disposed of during the Year. B.–10.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That Paper No. 202 be printed.

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

4. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Act, 1937, and the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act (No. 3), 1937, without amendment.

5. *Postponement of Order of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 2.

6. *Electoral Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Electoral Amendment Bill ;

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Native Affairs Committee.

7. *Coal-mines Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committal of the Coal-mines Amendment Bill ;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Webb moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now committed.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

The amendments made by the Goldfields and Mines Committee in the Bill were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 32 read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Coal-mines Amendment Bill, and had made amendment therein.

With the leave of the House the Report was ordered to be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Coal-mines Act, 1925."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And the hour of twenty-seven minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

8. *Finance Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Finance Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption next sitting-day, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 23rd Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Press Association—Services received from the Government: Return showing Cost of, &c.*—On motion of the Reverend Mr. Carr (for Mr. Hunter), *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The services the Press Association receives from the Government at less than cost and (2) the increased annual payments that would be necessary to cover the loss on the provision of these services.

3. *Native Land in Waitomo Electorate, Development of: Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Broadfoot, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The areas of Native land being developed in the Waitomo Electorate; (2) the sums advanced by the Crown to each scheme; (3) the areas already developed; (4) the number of stock being carried; and (5) the amount of rates being paid in each case to the local County Council.

4. *Commercial Broadcasting Service and Acquisition of B Class Radio-stations: Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Broadfoot (for Mr. Holyoake), *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The price and terms on which each separate B class radio-station has been acquired; (2) the exact terms of the contract of the engagement of the Director of Commercial Broadcasting, and the method by which this officer was selected for the position; (3) the method of purchase and the cost of the new equipment for the commercial broadcasting stations; (4) the number, status, and salaries of the staffs employed in the commercial broadcasting stations; (5) the relations (if any) existing between the Commercial Broadcasting Service and the Radio Advertising Service, Limited; and (6) the terms on which the Australian advertising rights for the New Zealand Commercial Broadcasting Service have been granted to Radio Television Proprietary, Limited.

5. *Railways and Post and Telegraph Departments: Numbers engaged in various Trades and Number of Apprentices employed, Particulars of.*—On motion of Mr. Wright, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The number of coach-body builders, panel-beaters, blacksmiths, and painters employed in (*a*) the Railway Workshops, Petone, and (*b*) the Post and Telegraph Shops, Wellington; and (2) the number of bound apprentices and the number of adult apprentices working in each Department.

6. *Members of Parliament: Particulars of Amounts paid to under Section 39, Finance Act, 1936.*—On motion of Mr. Broadfoot (for Mr. Kyle), *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the name of each member of Parliament, along with the amount of travelling-expenses and travelling-allowances paid to each under section 39 of the Finance Act, 1936, from the date of the coming into force of the Act, 1st April, 1936, up till the opening of Parliament—namely, 9th September, 1937.

7. *Public Works Department, Particulars of Wages paid to Employees of.*—On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The highest wages payable to employees of Public Works Department; (2) the average wages so payable; and (3) the minimum wages so payable.

8. *Public Service: Return showing Increased Numbers employed and Cost of providing Additional Office Accommodation.*—On motion of Mr. Dickie (for Colonel Hargest), *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing by Departments—(1) The increase in the numbers of the Public Service as from the 1st April, 1936, to the 1st September, 1937; and (2) the number of properties purchased for office accommodation, and the total price paid for them.

9. *Picot Brothers, Wellington: Particulars relating to Purchase of Business by Government.*—On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount paid by the Government for the purchase of the business of Messrs. Picot Brothers, Wellington, such return to state the amount paid for goodwill and any other relevant terms of such purchase.

10. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

203. Public Trust Office: Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937. B.–9A.

204. Public Trust Office: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. B.–9.

205. Public Accounts: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of various Government Departments for Year 1935–36. B.–1 [Pt. IV], Supplementary to 1936.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 203 to 205 inclusive be printed.

11. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

12. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Report on the Petroleum Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

13. *Petroleum Bill.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb, *Ordered*, That the Petroleum Bill be referred to the Native Affairs Committee.

14. *Finance Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Finance Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

15. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Physical Welfare and Recreation Act, 1937, without amendment.

16. *Finance Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Finance Bill be now read a second time.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and, having set it down for resumption next sitting-day, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 24th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committees to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That the Native Affairs Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. Lyon, *Ordered*, That the Defence Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill Committee.*—Mr. Howard, from the Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill Committee, brought up a Report on the Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

I have the honour, by direction of the Committee set up for the purpose of considering the Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill, to report thereon as follows: (1) That it finds the allegations of the Preamble proved to its satisfaction; (2) that it has carefully considered the clauses of the Bill and has passed them without amendment.

The Minutes of the Committee accompany this Report.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the Minutes, do lie upon the Table.

3. *Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill Committee.*—Mr. Howard, from the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill Committee, brought up a Report on the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

I have the honour, by direction of the Committee set up for the purpose of considering the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill, to report thereon as follows: (1) That it finds the allegations of the Preamble proved to its satisfaction; (2) that it has carefully considered the clauses of the Bill and has passed them without amendment.

The Minutes of the Committee accompany this Report.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the Minutes, do lie upon the Table.

4. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

6. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of H. C. Wheeler, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Public Health Committee.*—Dr. McMillan, from the Public Health Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Sybil K. Lennox, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

8. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of H. H. Cook and C. H. Hogg, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

9. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Finance Bill.

10. *Finance Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Finance Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 48.

Anderton	Jones	Ratana
Armstrong	Langstone	Roberts
Atmore	Lee	Robertson
Barclay	Lyon	Rushworth
Barnes	McCombs	Savage
Barrell	McDougall	Schramm
Burnett, C. H.	McMillan	Semple
Campbell	Martin	Sexton
Christie	Mason	Sullivan
Coleman	Meachen	Thorn
Coulter	Moncur	Tirikatene
Cullen	Munro	Webb
Denham	Nash	Wilson.
Fraser	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Herring	Parry	O'Brien
Hodgens	Petrie	Richards.
Hultquist		

NOES, 17.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Roy
Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	Smith
Coates	Holland	Wright.
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Endean	Polson	Broadfoot
Forbes	Ransom	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 5 inclusive read and agreed to.
Clause 6 read.
To report progress and move for leave to sit again presently. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had made progress in the Finance Bill, and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

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

11. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, Order of Business No. 9 was again taken.

12. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up a Report on the Petroleum Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

13. *Petroleum Bill.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb, *Ordered*, That the Petroleum Bill be referred to the Goldfields and Mines Committee.

14. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 32.*

The Bills intituled—

The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act (No. 2), 1937,
The Motueka Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937,
The Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering Act, 1937, and
The Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,
Wellington, 22nd November, 1937.

15. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the proceedings on His Excellency's Message, about to be introduced, transmitting draft of proposed amendments to the Finance Bill, and also to the passing of the Finance Bill.

16. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 33.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of the following amendments in the Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

To add the following new clauses:—

"31A. (1) Any payment received in respect of any military decoration awarded for gallantry, by the recipient of such decoration, shall not be regarded as income for the purposes of the War Pensions Act, 1915, or the Pensions Act, 1926, or the Family Allowances Act, 1926, or the War Veterans' Allowances Act, 1935.

"(2) For the purposes of this section the term 'military decoration' has the same meaning as in the Military Decorations and Distinctive Badges Act, 1918.

"(3) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

"62. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section thirteen of the Fair Rents Act, 1936, an order for the recovery of possession of any dwellinghouse to which that Act applies, or an order for the ejectment of the tenant of any such dwellinghouse, shall not be made by any Court on the grounds specified in paragraph (*f*) of subsection one of that section unless the Court is satisfied that suitable alternative accommodation is available for the tenant or will be available for him when the order takes effect; and no such order shall be made on the grounds specified in paragraph (*d*) or in paragraph (*e*) of that subsection unless the Court is satisfied either—

"(*a*) That suitable alternative accommodation is or will be available for the tenant as aforesaid; or

"(*b*) That the hardship caused to the landlord or any other person by the refusal of the Court to make an order for possession or ejectment would exceed the hardship caused to the tenant by the making of such an order.

"(2) In any proceedings to which this section applies the onus of proving that suitable alternative accommodation is or will be available for the tenant shall be on the applicant for the order; but the Court may accept as sufficient evidence that such accommodation is or will be available a certificate to that effect signed by an Inspector of Factories, or a certificate signed by or on behalf of the owner of any dwellinghouse that that dwellinghouse will be available for the tenant in the event of an order being made."

Government House,
Wellington, 24th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of amendments in the Bill to make provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the said Resolution, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

17. *Finance Bill.*—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 6 again read.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 10 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 11 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit all the words in subclauses (1), (2), and (3) down to and including the word "namely" in line 37, and to substitute the following words: "The Reserve Bank of New Zealand is hereby authorized, when so directed by the Governor-General in Council, to place such sums, not exceeding in the aggregate six million pounds, as the Governor-General in Council shall direct to the credit of the General Purposes Account of the Public Works Fund, and such sums shall from time to time be applied, in such amounts as may be from time to time appropriated by Parliament, for the following purposes, namely:—" *(Captain Rushworth.)*

The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order as involving an appropriation.

On motion of Mr. Bodkin, progress was reported to take Mr. Speaker's opinion on the ruling.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that he had been directed to report progress in order to obtain Mr. Speaker's ruling on a ruling given by the Chairman of Committees relative to a proposed amendment to clause 11.

(Mr. Speaker's Ruling.)—Mr. Speaker having ruled (*Vide Hansard*, Vol. 249, p. 707), the Committee resumed.

(In the Committee.)

And the Committee, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Thursday morning;

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Clause 11 agreed to.

Clauses 12 to 19 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 20 read.

Amendments proposed: In subclause (1), line 2, to omit the words "and make recommendations" and to omit subclauses (4) to (8) inclusive, and to substitute the following:—

"(4A) If in any such case the Committee appointed as aforesaid reports that in its opinion the payment of land-tax has entailed, or would, on any fair and reasonable grounds whatsoever, entail serious hardship to the taxpayer, the Commissioner of Taxes may, in accordance with the report of the said Committee, and without further authority than this section, refund the whole or any part of the land-tax so paid or release the taxpayer wholly or in part from his liability to pay such land-tax." *(Honourable Mr. Hamilton.)*

And the Question being put on the retention of the words, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 46.

Anderton	Hultquist	Petrie
Atmore	Hunter	Ratana
Barclay	Jones	Roberts
Barnes	Langstone	Robertson
Barrell	Lee	Savage
Burnett, C. H.	Lyon	Schramm
Campbell	McCombs	Semple
Christie	McMillan	Sullivan
Coleman	Martin	Thorn
Cotterill	Mason	Tirikatene
Coulter	Meachen	Webb
Cullen	Moncur	Wilson.
Denham	Nash	
Fraser	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Herring	Osborne	McKeen
Hodgens	Parry	O'Brien.

NOES, 16.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Sexton
Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	Smith.
Coates	Holland	
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Endean	Roy	Broadfoot
Forbes	Rushworth	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, On motion of Right Honourable Mr. Savage, that the Question be now put.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 21 read.

Resolved, On motion of Right Honourable Mr. Savage, that the Question be now put.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 22 to 35 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 36 read.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 47.

Anderton	Hultquist	Ratana
Atmore	Hunter	Richards
Barclay	Jones	Roberts
Barnes	Langstone	Robertson
Barrell	Lee	Rushworth
Burnett, C. H.	Lyon	Savage
Campbell	McCombs	Schramm
Christie	McMillan	Sexton
Coleman	Martin	Sullivan
Cotterill	Mason	Thorn
Coulter	Meachen	Tirikatene
Cullen	Moncur	Webb
Denham	Nash	Wilson.
Fraser	Nordmeyer	*Tellers.*
Herring	Osborne	McKeen
Hodgens	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 13.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Smith.
Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	*Tellers.*
Coates	Holland	Broadfoot
Dickie	Holyoake	Kyle.
Endean	Roy	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the clause stand part of the Bill, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 48.

Anderton	Hunter	Richards
Atmore	Jones	Roberts
Barclay	Langstone	Robertson
Barnes	Lee	Rushworth
Barrell	Lyon	Savage
Burnett, C. H.	McCombs	Schramm
Campbell	McMillan	Semple
Christie	Martin	Sexton
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Cotterill	Meachen	Thorn
Coulter	Moncur	Tirikatene
Cullen	Nash	Webb
Denham	Nordmeyer	Wilson.
Fraser	Osborne	*Tellers.*
Herring	Petrie	McKeen
Hodgens	Ratana	O'Brien.
Hultquist		

NOES, 13.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Smith.
Burnett, T. D.	Hargest	
Coates	Holland	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Holyoake	Broadfoot
Endean	Roy	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 37 to 50 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 51 read.

Amendment proposed: To insert, after the words "Mayor of Auckland" in line 16, the words "or to any similar fund". *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 52 to 61 inclusive read and agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the following new clause be added to the Bill:—

"31A. (1) Any payment received in respect of any military decoration awarded for gallantry, by the recipient of such decoration, shall not be regarded as income for the purposes of the War Pensions Act, 1915, or the Pensions Act, 1926, or the Family Allowances Act, 1926, or the War Veterans' Allowances Act, 1935.

"(2) For the purposes of this section the term 'military decoration' has the same meaning as in the Military Decorations and Distinctive Badges Act, 1918.

"(3) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven." *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Clause read a first and a second time and added to the Bill.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the following new clause be added to the Bill:—

"35A. Upon the completion of the sale of butter and cheese produced before the thirty-first day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, the Minister of Marketing shall prepare a return showing the amount of the debit in the Dairy Industry Account due to purchase and sale of such butter and cheese, and shall submit such return to the Minister of Finance. The Minister of Finance shall thereupon communicate to the Reserve Bank of New Zealand that it is the monetary policy of the Government that the amount of such debit shall be written off the Dairy Industry Account." *(Mr. Sexton.)*

The Chairman ruled the proposed new clause out of order as involving an appropriation.

To report progress to take Mr. Speaker's opinion on the Chairman's ruling.

Negatived on voices.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the following new clause be added to the Bill:—

"62. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section thirteen of the Fair Rents Act, 1936, an order for the recovery of possession of any dwelling-house to which that Act applies, or an order for the ejectment of the tenant of any such dwellinghouse, shall not be made by any Court on the grounds specified in paragraph (*f*) of subsection one of that section unless the Court is satisfied that suitable alternative accommodation is available for the tenant or will be available for him when the order takes effect; and no such order shall be made on the grounds specified in paragraph (*d*) or in paragraph (*e*) of that subsection unless the Court is satisfied either—

"(*a*) That suitable alternative accommodation is or will be available for the tenant as aforesaid; or

"(*b*) That the hardship caused to the landlord or any other person by the refusal of the Court to make an order for possession or ejectment would exceed the hardship caused to the tenant by the making of such an order.

"(2) In any proceedings to which this section applies the onus of proving that suitable alternative accommodation is or will be available for the tenant shall be on the applicant for the order; but the Court may accept as sufficient evidence that such accommodation is or will be available a certificate to that effect signed by an Inspector of Factories, or a certificate signed by or on behalf of the owner of any dwellinghouse that that dwellinghouse will be available for the tenant in the event of an order being made." *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Clause read a first and a second time and added to the Bill.

First and Second Schedules read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Finance Bill and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twelve minutes after three of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 25th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Lyon, *Ordered*, That the Defence Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the following classes of the Estimates: Maintenance of Public Works and Services, Transport Department, Native Department, Native Trustee's Account, Public Trustee's Account, Dairy Industry Account, Internal Marketing Account, and Broadcasting Account.

5. *Committee of Supply (Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Semple,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,150,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Maintenance of Public Works and Services for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £46,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £152,420 be granted to His Majesty to defray tha costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Langstone.)*

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 43.

Anderton	Langstone	Richards
Armstrong	Lee	Roberts
Barnes	Lowry	Robertson
Barrell	McCombs	Rushworth
Chapman	McDougall	Savage
Christie	McMillan	Semple
Coleman	Mason	Sexton
Cotterill	Meachen	Sullivan
Coulter	Moncur	Tirikatene
Cullen	Munro	Webb
Denham	Nash	Williams.
Herring	Nordmeyer	
Hodgens	Osborne	*Tellers.*
Hultquist	Parry	McKeen
Hunter	Ratana	O'Brien.

NOES, 14.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	Wright.
Dickie	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Ngata	Broadfoot
Hamilton	Polson	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Vote agreed to.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £15,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £341,289 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £61,086 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Dairy Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

The Chairman ruled certain words used were in order.

Motion made and Question proposed, That progress be reported in order to obtain Mr. Speaker's opinion on the ruling. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, the Committee divided and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 39.

Anderton	Hultquist	Richards
Armstrong	Langstone	Roberts
Barnes	Lee	Robertson
Barrell	Lowry	Savage
Campbell	McCombs	Semple
Chapman	McDougall	Sullivan
Christie	Mason	Tirikatene
Coleman	Meachen	Webb
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Coulter	Munro	
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Nordmeyer	McKeen
Herring	Parry	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Ratana	

NOES, 17.

Atmore	Hamilton	Sexton
Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	Wright.
Coates	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Polson	Broadfoot
Forbes	Rushworth	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

To report progress to obtain Mr. Speaker's ruling.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that he had been directed to report progress in order to obtain Mr. Speaker's ruling on a ruling given by the Chairman of Committees relative to the use of the words "deliberately concealing" by the the Member for Stratford.

(Mr. Speaker's Ruling.)—Mr. Speaker having ruled (*Vide*, *Hansard*, Vol. 249, p. 737), the Committee resumed.

(In the Committee.)

Vote agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £24,450 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Internal Marketing Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

And the Question being put, the Committee divided and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 38.

Anderton	Hodgens	Ratana
Armstrong	Hultquist	Richards
Barnes	Jones	Roberts
Barrell	Langstone	Robertson
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Chapman	Lowry	Semple
Christie	McCombs	Sullivan
Coleman	McDougall	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Meachen	Webb
Coulter	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Nordmeyer	McKeen
Herring	Parry	O'Brien.

NOES, 16.

Atmore	Hamilton	Wilkinson
Bodkin	Hargest	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	
Coates	Holyoake	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Polson	Broadfoot
Forbes	Sexton	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Vote agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £354,416 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Jones.)*

Amendment proposed: To reduce the total Vote by £120,643. *(Honourable Mr. Hamilton.)*

And the Question being put on the reduction, the Committee divided and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 16.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	Wright.
Coates	Holyoake	
Dickie	Polson	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Rushworth	Broadfoot
Hamilton	Sexton	Kyle.

NOES, 40.

Anderton	Hodgens	Ratana
Armstrong	Hultquist	Richards
Atmore	Jones	Roberts
Barnes	Langstone	Robertson
Barrell	Lee	Savage
Campbell	Lowry	Semple
Chapman	McCombs	Sullivan
Christie	McDougall	Tirikatene
Coleman	Mason	Webb
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams.
Coulter	Moncur	
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Nordmeyer	McKeen
Herring	Parry	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

Vote agreed to.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-two minutes after ten of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 26th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to the Right Honourable Mr. Coates on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Thorn on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Schramm on account of illness in his family.

3. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency :—

209. Labour Department (Employment Division) : Report of the Secretary of Labour upon Activities and Proceedings under the Employment Promotion Act, 1936. H.–11A.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

207. National Art Gallery and Dominion Museum : Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. H.–21.

208. Fire Boards : Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards for Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Napier and Timaru] ; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Napier and Timaru].

The following Paper was laid upon the Table in return to an Order of the House :—

206. Picot Brothers, Wellington, Purchase of Business of, by Government, Particulars relating to. (Return to an Order of the House dated 23rd November, 1937.)

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 207 and 209 be printed.

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Sale of Wool Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bills intituled the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Act, 1937, the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Act, 1937, and the Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Coal-mines Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bill intituled the Whangarei Airport Act, 1937, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

6. *Whangarei Airport Bill.—Ordered*, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Whangarei Airport Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of Mr. Barclay, *Ordered*, That the amendment be disagreed with, and that Mr. Coleman, the Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, and the Mover be a Committee to prepare reasons to be assigned to the Legislative Council for so disagreeing with its amendment in the said Bill.

7. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency ; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 34.*

The Bills intituled—

The Broadcasting Amendment Act, 1937,

The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act (No. 3), 1937,

The Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension Act, 1937,

The Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Act, 1937, and

The New Plymouth Airport Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1937.

8. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 35.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Mining Act, 1926," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 25th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Mining Act, 1926.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Webb do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

9. *Mining Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Webb, according to Order, presented the Mining Amendment Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Goldfields and Mines Committee.

10. *Whangarei Airport Bill.*—Mr. Barclay from the Committee appointed to prepare reasons to be assigned to the Legislative Council for disagreeing with their amendment in the Whangarei Airport Bill, brought up the following Report:—

That subclause (2) of clause 17 as originally drafted gives a wider discretion, as it provides either for members or non-members of the Board being appointed to the special committees.

The subclause is identical with a corresponding provision in the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933, where it has worked satisfactorily.

Under the proposed subclause it is not clear whether non-members of the Board could be appointed to the Committees. There is no express statement to that effect and power to do so could only be implied.

Ordered, That the reasons be considered forthwith.

The same were accordingly read and agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House has disagreed with its amendment and transmits reasons for so disagreeing, together with the Bill and amendment.

11. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up a Report on the Electoral Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

12. *Electoral Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Electoral Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.

13. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill, the Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill, the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill, the Auckland Metropolitan Milk Amendment Bill, and on the Petition of S. Joyce and others, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

14. *Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

15. *Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

16. *Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

17. *Auckland Metropolitan Milk Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Auckland Metropolitan Milk Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

18. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Mary Pilling, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

19. *Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committal of the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now committed.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

The amendments made by the Statutes Revision Committee in the Bill were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clause 1 read and agreed to.

Clause 2 read. Amendment proposed: To add the following proviso to subclause (3):—

"Provided that the Clerk, if the Board so directs, shall not, except pursuant to a claim in the prescribed form, place on the electors list the name of any person whose name appeared by virtue only of a residential qualification on the electors roll in force for the last general election of members of the Board if such person, not being a candidate and not having voted at that election, did not vote at any one of any subsequent elections of a member or members of the Board at which he was entitled to vote." *(Honourable Mr. Mason.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 3 to 16 inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill and had made amendment therein.

With the leave of the House, the Report was ordered to be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Auckland Electric-power Board Act, 1921–22."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

20. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed in order to consider Order of Business No. 8.

21. *Papers, Consideration of.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of all other Papers was postponed in order to consider Papers Nos. 63, 64, 76 to 78 inclusive, 89, 92 to 96 inclusive, 105, 120 to 122 inclusive, and 126.

No motion made in regard to Paper No. 63.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 64 (National Provident Fund, Statement of Amounts paid into, by way of State subsidy during the Year ending 31st December, 1936, H.–17A) be referred to the Government for consideration.

And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.

The Right Honourable Mr. Forbes moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 76 (State Forest Service: Annual Report of Director of Forestry for Year ending 31st March, 1937, C.–3) be referred to the Government for consideration.

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of Mr. Broadfoot, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-nine minutes after three of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Monday, the 29th Day of November, 1937.

The House met this day at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill.

On motion of Mr. Endean, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Church of England Trusts Act, 1913."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

2. *Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill.

On motion of Mr. Chapman, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to extend the powers of the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees so as to enable such Board to amalgamate Investments of Trust Funds now or hereafter to be held by or vested in it."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

3. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to the Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for five days be granted to Mr. Tirikatene on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to the Honourable Sir Apirana Ngata on account of urgent public business.

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

6. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council insists upon its amendment in the Bill intituled the Whangarei Airport Act, 1937, to which the House of Representatives has disagreed, and transmits herewith its reasons for so insisting, together with the Bill and amendment.

7. *Whangarei Airport Bill.—Ordered*, That the reasons assigned by the Legislative Council for insisting upon its amendment in the Whangarei Airport Bill be considered forthwith.

The same were accordingly read as follows:—

The clause as drawn is not in line with provisions of Acts for other local bodies, except Municipal Corporations.

The Airport Board is a composite body consisting of members appointed by other bodies.

The Air Board has large powers, including powers for carrying on works and expending money, and under the Bill as drawn those powers may be exercised by committees of which there may be no member of the Board. The powers of delegation by the Board are too wide.

The amendment is not designed to prevent or limit the Board in co-opting persons not members of the Board to its committees, but ensures that on each such Committee there shall be at least one member of the Board, thus providing for more direct contact with the Board than would be the case if the Bill were not amended.

On motion of Mr. Barclay, *Ordered*, That the reasons be disagreed with, and that a Conference be requested with the Legislative Council on the subject of its amendment in the said Bill, and that Mr. Barnes, Mr. Coleman, and the Mover be the Managers to conduct the same on behalf of this House.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that this House desires a conference on the subject of its amendment in the Whangarei Airport Bill, and has appointed a Committee of three Managers to conduct the same on behalf of this House, and requesting the Legislative Council to appoint a similar number, and to name the time and place for the meeting of the Conference.

8. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Public Works Estimates and to the proceedings preliminary thereto.

9. *Committee of Supply (Public Works Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Semple,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £180,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Works, Departmental for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,108,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway-construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,203,457 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railways: Improvements and Additions to Open Lines for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,139,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £550,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Education Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £39,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £966,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Construction, Improvement, &c., of Settlement Roads, Bridges, and other Public Works, including Salaries or Wages, Holiday Pay, Compensation, and Contingent Expenses for Accidents to Employees, Charges for Plant, &c., Supervision and all other Expenses for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £750,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Telegraph Extension for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £156,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lands Improvement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £105,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Irrigation, Water-supply, and Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £23,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Swamp-land Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £300,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Settlement of Unemployed Workers for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £250,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Native Land Settlement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Dairy Industry Loans for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,370,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Electric Supply Account for the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,165,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Main Highways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-five minutes after ten of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 30th Day of November, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Thorn (for the Honourable Mr. Barnard), *Ordered*, That the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Neilson on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of illness.

4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

211. Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928: Notice of Intention to issue Order in Council changing Purpose of Reservation over Part of a Recreation Reserve in Mueller Survey District, Canterbury Land District.

212. Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928: Notice of Intention to issue Order in Council revoking Reservation as a Site for a Public Hospital over a Reserve in Town of Rangataua, Wellington Land District.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table in return to an Order of the House:—

210. Native Land in Waitomo Electorate, Development of, Particulars relating to. (Return to an Order of the House dated 23rd November, 1937.)

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

6. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Report on the Mining Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Mining Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Mining Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.

8. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 36.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 30th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Mason do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

9. *Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

10. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 37.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to confer certain Powers on certain Public Bodies and to validate certain Transactions," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 30th November, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to confer certain powers on certain public bodies and to validate certain transactions.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

11. *Local Legislation Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Local Legislation Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.

12. *Electoral Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committal of the Electoral Amendment Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now committed.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

13. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council agrees to a Conference with the House of Representatives upon the subject of the amendment made by the Council in the Bill intituled the Whangarei Airport Act, 1937.

The Legislative Council has appointed a Committee of three Managers to conduct the same on behalf of the Council, and has named the hour of five of the clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 30th day of November, 1937, and Committee-room No. 28 of the Legislative Council, as the time and place of meeting of the Conference.

14. *Electoral Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Electoral Amendment Bill be now committed.

With the leave of the House, the Question was amended to read, That the Bill be committed presently.

And the Question as amended being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

15. *Whangarei Airport Bill.*—Mr. Barclay brought up the Report of the Conference with the Legislative Council on the subject of its amendment in the Whangarei Airport Bill, and the same was read as follows:—

The Managers appointed to conduct the Conference upon the Whangarei Airport Bill on behalf of the House of Representatives have the honour to report that they have met the Managers appointed to conduct the same on behalf of the Legislative Council, and that they have come to the following agreement:—

To reinstate subclause (2) of clause 17 and to add to the subclause the following words: "but no power to expend money shall be delegated to any committee unless at least one of the members of the committee is a member of the Board."

On motion of Mr. Barclay, *Resolved*, That the Report be agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that this House has agreed to the Report of the Conference on the Whangarei Airport Bill.

16. *Electoral Amendment Bill.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Electoral Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read and agreed to.

Clause 2 read.

And the hour of twenty-five minutes after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, the Chairman left the Chair.

To report progress and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had made progress in the Electoral Amendment Bill and moved that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-seven minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 1st Day of December, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Suspension of Standing Orders: Private Bills.*—On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Ordered*, That the Standing Orders on Private Bills be suspended so as to allow the Private Bill intituled the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Act (No. 2), 1937, to be introduced on motion forthwith, and to be proceeded with and passed through all its stages in accordance with the procedure prescribed for Public Bills instead of that prescribed for Private Bills.

2. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2).—Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt certain Lands and Buildings for the time being vested in and used by the Cawthron Institute Trust Board from Liability for Payment of Rates, and to authorize certain Local Authorities to remit certain Rates heretofore charged or levied against the Board in respect of the Lands and Buildings now vested in the Board; and that Mr. Atmore do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Atmore accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Atmore (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Local Bills Committee.

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of F. E. Hunt, and F. C. Jordan and another (representing the Auckland Harbour Preservation Society), and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petition of F. C. Jordan and another (representing the Auckland Harbour Preservation Society) be referred to the Government for consideration.

6. *Electoral Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee on the Electoral Amendment Bill;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Electoral Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Electoral Act, 1927."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

7. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has agreed to the Report of the Conference on the Bill intituled the Whangarei Airport Act, 1937.

8. *Mining Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committal of the Mining Amendment Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Weeb moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now committed.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

9. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Finance Act, 1937, without amendment.

10. *Mining Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Mining Amendment Bill be now committed.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Mining Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Mining Act, 1926."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

11. *Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General.

12. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 38.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of the following amendments in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

Clause 3, subclause (1): To omit the words "to any specified person" in line 14.

Clause 5, subclause (3): To omit this subclause (with a view to inserting the proposed new clause 2A).

To insert, after clause 2, the following new clauses:—

"2A. (1) For the purposes of the principal Act the term 'date of adjustment', in relation to any applicant, means the date on which his adjustable debts are deemed to be discharged under subsection one of section forty-nine of the principal Act.

"(2) Where, whether before or after the passing of this Act, the Adjustment Commission has made an order adjusting the liabilities of any applicant but has not fixed the date of adjustment, the date on which the order is sealed by the Court shall be deemed to be the date of adjustment. Where the Adjustment Commission has made two or more orders as aforesaid this subsection shall be deemed to relate to the last of those orders, unless the Adjustment Commission orders that it shall relate to any other order.

"(3) Section forty-nine of the principal Act is hereby consequentially amended by omitting from subsection two the words 'date fixed as provided in the last preceding subsection', and substituting the words 'date of adjustment'.

"2B. No adjustable debt of any applicant shall be deemed to have been discharged under subsection one of section forty-nine of the principal Act (whether before or after the passing of this Act) unless it is specified in an order of the Adjustment Commission providing for its discharge or is specified in the statement of the applicant's assets and liabilities filed under the principal Act or in any amended statement thereof filed before the date of adjustment.

"2C. (1) Where before the passing of this Act an Adjustment Commission has made an order providing for the payment or satisfaction by any applicant of any rates as an adjustable debt, whether by instalments or otherwise, the applicant may within two months after the passing of this Act apply to the Adjustment Commission for a variation of the order. On any application so made the Adjustment Commission may make such order as is deems just and equitable for the variation or discharge of the first-mentioned order, whether by remitting the rates or any part thereof or otherwise.

"(2) Where before the passing of this Act an Adjustment Commission or the Court of Review has made an order the effect of which, by reason of any rates secured on the property, is that the total amount remaining secured on any property of an applicant by any adjustable security or adjustable securities exceeds the basic value or the value of the property as mentioned in subsection one or in subsection two of section forty-two of the principal Act, as the case may be, the applicant may within two months after the passing of this Act apply to the Adjustment Commission for a variation of the order. On any application so made the Adjustment Commission may make such orders as it deems necessary for the purpose of making the first-mentioned order comply with the principal Act and for the purpose of making any other provisions consequential thereon."

To insert, after clause 5, the following new clause:—

"5A. (1) Where as a result of the adjustment of the liabilities of any applicant any guarantor has, whether before or after the passing of this Act, lost a right to make a claim against the applicant in respect of any amount paid or to be paid by the guarantor under the guarantee before or after the date of adjustment, the Adjustment Commission may, either at the time of the adjustment of the applicant's liabilities (without formal application by the guarantor), or subsequently (upon application made by the guarantor under this section), make such order for the variation or for the complete or partial discharge of the liability of the guarantor under the guarantee as it deems just and equitable on account of the loss of the guarantor's rights against the applicant, having regard to the relative hardship on all the parties concerned and to any other relevant consideration.

"(2) No application by a guarantor under this section shall be heard by the Adjustment Commission unless it is filed within two months after the date of adjustment of the liabilities of the applicant against whom the guarantor has lost any right as aforesaid or, where the date of adjustment was before the passing of this Act, within two months after the passing of this Act.

"(3) The provisions of this section shall apply with respect to every guarantor, whether or not he is an applicant under the principal Act, and shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of the principal Act relating to the adjustment or the discharge of the liabilities of guarantors."

Government House,

Wellington, 1st December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of amendments in the Bill to amend the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the said Resolution, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

13. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 39.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 1st December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

14. *Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

15. *Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Cobbe, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twelve minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Thursday, the 2nd Day of December, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Munro, *Ordered*, That the Local Bills Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

3. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Report on the Petroleum Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

4. *Petroleum Bill.—Ordered*, That the Petroleum Bill be committed next sitting-day.

5. *Labour Bills Committee.*—Mr. McKeen, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of G. W. Drew, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Labour Bills Committee on the petition of G. W. Drew be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

6. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill and the Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.*—The Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.

8. *Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill.*—The Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.

9. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of E. S. Taylor, S. Sadler, and P. O. Smith, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petition of P. O. Smith be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petition of S. Sadler be referred to the Government for consideration.

10. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Jessie McInnes, J. M. Chalmers, Idean A. Miles, Maud Davey, A. B. Johnson, Ada M. Tapper, J. Kirk, J. Walders, Catherine Hutton, and H. Barnes, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

11. *Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment 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 read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

12. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Electoral Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bill intituled the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

13. *Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 read and agreed to.

Clause 3 read. Amendment proposed: To omit the words "to any specified person" in line 14, page 2. *(Honourable Mr. Mason.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 4 read and agreed to.

Clause 5 read. Amendment proposed : To omit subclause (3). *(Honourable Mr. Mason.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 6 read and agreed to.

The following new clauses were read a first and a second time and added to the Bill :—

"2A. (1) For the purposes of the principal Act the term 'date of adjustment', in relation to any applicant, means the date on which his adjustable debts are deemed to be discharged under subsection one of section forty-nine of the principal Act.

"(2) Where, whether before or after the passing of this Act, the Adjustment Commission has made an order adjusting the liabilities of any applicant but has not fixed the date of adjustment, the date on which the order is sealed by the Court shall be deemed to be the date of adjustment. Where the Adjustment Commission has made two or more orders as aforesaid this subsection shall be deemed to relate to the last of those orders, unless the Adjustment Commission orders that it shall relate to any other order.

"(3) Section forty-nine of the principal Act is hereby consequentially amended by omitting from subsection two the words 'date fixed as provided in the last preceding subsection', and substituting the words 'date of adjustment'.

"2B. No adjustable debt of any applicant shall be deemed to have been discharged under subsection one of section forty-nine of the principal Act (whether before or after the passing of this Act) unless it is specified in an order of the Adjustment Commission providing for its discharge or is specified in the statement of the applicant's assets and liabilities filed under the principal Act or in any amended statement thereof filed before the date of adjustment.

"2C. (1) Where before the passing of this Act an Adjustment Commission has made an order providing for the payment or satisfaction by any applicant of any rates as an adjustable debt, whether by instalments or otherwise, the applicant may within two months after the passing of this Act apply to the Adjustment Commission for a variation of the order. On any application so made the Adjustment Commission may make such order as it deems just and equitable for the variation or discharge of the first-mentioned order, whether by remitting the rates or any part thereof or otherwise.

"(2) Where before the passing of this Act an Adjustment Commission or the Court of Review has made an order the effect of which, by reason of any rates secured on the property, is that the total amount remaining secured on any property of an applicant by any adjustable security or adjustable securities exceeds the basic value or the value of the property as mentioned in subsection one or in subsection two of section forty-two of the principal Act, as the case may be, the applicant may within two months after the passing of this Act apply to the Adjustment Commission for a variation of the order. On any application so made the Adjustment Commission may make such orders as it deems necessary for the purpose of making the first-mentioned order comply with the principal Act and for the purpose of making any other provisions consequential thereon.

"5A. (1) Where as a result of the adjustment of the liabilities of any applicant any guarantor has, whether before or after the passing of this Act, lost a right to make a claim against the applicant in respect of any amount paid or to be paid by the guarantor under the guarantee before or after the date of adjustment, the Adjustment Commission may, either at the time of the adjustment of the applicant's liabilities (without formal application by the guarantor), or subsequently (upon application made by the guarantor under this section), make such order for the variation or for the complete or partial discharge of the liability of the guarantor under the guarantee as it deems

just and equitable on account of the loss of the guarantor's rights against the applicant, having regard to the relative hardship on all the parties concerned and to any other relevant consideration.

"(2) No application by a guarantor under this section shall be heard by the Adjustment Commission unless it is filed within two months after the date of adjustment of the liabilities of the applicant against whom the guarantor has lost any right as aforesaid or, where the date of adjustment was before the passing of this Act, within two months after the passing of this Act.

"(3) The provisions of this section shall apply with respect to every guarantor, whether or not he is an applicant under the principal Act, and shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of the principal Act relating to the adjustment or the discharge of the liabilities of guarantors." *(Honourable Mr. Mason.)*

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had made amendment therein.

With the leave of the House, the Report was ordered to be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

14. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive was postponed in order to consider Order of the Day No. 6.

15. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill;

On motion of Mr. Atmore, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill be discharged and that the Bill be withdrawn.

And the hour of nine minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

16. *Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Cobbe, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

17. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, Order of Business No. 9 was again taken.

18. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Local Legislation Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

19. *Local Legislation Bill.—Ordered*, That the Local Legislation Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-five minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Friday, the 3rd Day of December, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

2. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill.

And the Question being put, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 47.

Anderton	Howard	Osborne
Armstrong	Hultquist	Parry
Barclay	Hunter	Petrie
Barnes	Jones	Ratana
Barrell	Langstone	Richards
Burnett, C. H.	Lee	Roberts
Campbell	Lowry	Savage
Carr	Lyon	Schramm
Chapman	McCombs	Sullivan
Christie	Martin	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Webb
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams.
Coulter	Moncur	
Cullen	Munro	*Tellers.*
Denham	Nash	McKeen
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien.
Hodgens		

NOES, 18.

Bodkin	Holland	Smith
Burnett, T. D.	Holyoake	Wilkinson
Coates	Polson	Wright.
Cobbe	Roy	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Rushworth	Dickie
Hamilton	Sexton	Kyle.
Hargest		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill.

3. *Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

With the leave of the House, the Debate was interrupted in order to correct a Division-list.

4. *Division-list corrected.*—The Reverend Mr. Carr drew attention to the fact that in the division taken in the House this day on the Question, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill, his name did not appear on the division-list as having voted.

The Reverend Mr. Carr having stated that he had voted with the "Ayes," both Tellers came to the Table and corrected the division-list accordingly.

5. *Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

6. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Mining Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

7. *Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

And the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Saturday morning;

SATURDAY, THE 4TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1937.

Mr. Kyle moved, seconded by Mr. Bodkin, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That", with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "the Bill be referred back to the Government in order that it may be examined in detail by a special Select Committee with a view to considering how far the rights and liberties of citizens are affected with special reference to (1) the unwarranted interference in the normal course of private trade, (2) the restrictions to be placed on producers, wholesalers, and retailers through the fixation of prices and control of marketing of all commodities, (3) the harmful effects of unrestricted bureaucracy on production and marketing, (4) the inevitable destruction of the businesses of small retailers and distributors, (5) the right of the consuming public to buy in the best possible market, and (6) the certainty that price fixation and marketing control can only result in increased prices and a further rise in the cost of living".

And the Question and Amendment being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 41.

Armstrong	Howard	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Rushworth
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Chapman	Lowry	Semple
Christie	Lyon	Sexton
Coleman	Martin	Sullivan
Cotterill	Mason	Thorn
Coulter	Meachen	Webb
Cullen	Moncur	Williams.
Denham	Nash	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Osborne	McKeen
Hodgens	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 10.

Bodkin	Holland	
Burnett, T. D.	Roy	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Wilkinson	Hargest
Hamilton	Wright.	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 39.

Armstrong	Howard	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Savage
Campbell	Lee	Semple
Chapman	Lowry	Sullivan
Christie	Lyon	Thorn
Coleman	Martin	Webb
Cotterill	Mason	Williams.
Coulter	Meachen	
Cullen	Moncur	*Tellers.*
Denham	Nash	McKeen
Fraser	Osborne	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Petrie	

NOES, 12.

Bodkin	Roy	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Rushworth	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.
Holland		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Original Question being put, That the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill be now read a second time, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 39.

Armstrong	Howard	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Savage
Campbell	Lee	Semple
Chapman	Lowry	Sullivan
Christie	Lyon	Thorn
Coleman	Martin	Webb
Cotterill	Mason	Williams.
Coulter	Meachen	
Cullen	Moncur	*Tellers.*
Denham	Nash	McKeen
Fraser	Osborne	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Petrie	

NOES, 12.

Bodkin	Roy	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Rushworth	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.
Holland		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read and agreed to.

Clause 2 read.

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 36.

Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Savage
Campbell	Lee	Semple
Chapman	Lowry	Sullivan
Christie	Lyon	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Webb
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams.
Coulter	Moncur	
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Ratana	

NOES, 11.

Bodkin	Holland	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Roy	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 read.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Chairman report progress and ask leave to sit again. *(Mr. Wright.)*

And the Question being put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 11.

Bodkin	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Roy	Kyle
Hamilton	Sexton	Wright.

NOES, 35.

Barnes	Hultquist	Ratana
Barrell	Hunter	Roberts
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Robertson
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Chapman	Lowry	Semple
Christie	Lyon	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Cotterill	Meachen	Webb
Coulter	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 4 and 5 read and agreed to.

Clause 6 read.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 39.

Armstrong	Hultquist	Robertson
Barnes	Hunter	Rushworth
Barrell	Jones	Savage
Burnett, C. H.	Lee	Semple
Campbell	Lowry	Sexton
Chapman	Lyon	Sullivan
Christie	Mason	Thorn
Coleman	Meachen	Webb
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Coulter	Nash	
Cullen	Osborne	*Tellers.*
Denham	Petrie	McKeen
Fraser	Ratana	O'Brien.
Hodgens	Roberts	

NOES, 10.

Bodkin	Holland	*Tellers.*
Burnett, T. D.	Roy	Hargest
Forbes	Wilkinson	Kyle.
Hamilton	Wright.	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 37.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Savage
Campbell	Lee	Semple
Chapman	Lowry	Sullivan
Christie	Lyon	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Webb
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams.
Coulter	Moncur	
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 12.

Bodkin	Roy	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Rushworth	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.
Holland		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 7 read.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Chairman leave the Chair. *(Colonel Hargest.)*

And the Question being put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 12.

Bodkin	Roy	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Rushworth	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.
Holland		

NOES, 37.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Savage
Campbell	Lee	Semple
Chapman	Lowry	Sullivan
Christie	Lyon	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Webb
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams.
Coulter	Moncur	
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

So it passed in the Negative.

Amendment proposed. In paragraph (*a*): To omit the words "by the same or any subsequent Order in Council" in lines 7 and 8, and to substitute the words "as hereinafter provided". *(Mr. Sexton.)*

And the Question being put on the retention of the words, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 37.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Savage
Campbell	Lee	Semple
Chapman	Lowry	Sullivan
Christie	Lyon	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Webb
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams.
Coulter	Moncur	
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 12.

Bodkin	Holland	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Kyle	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Roy	Rushworth
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Sexton.
Hargest		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Question be now put. *(Right Honourable Mr. Savage.)*

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 38.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Rushworth
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Chapman	Lowry	Semple
Christie	Lyon	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Cotterill	Meachen	Webb
Coulter	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 11.

Bodkin	Holland	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Roy	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 38.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Rushworth
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Chapman	Lowry	Semple
Christie	Lyon	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Cotterill	Meachen	Webb
Coulter	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 11.

Bodkin	Holland	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Roy	*Tellers*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 8 read and agreed to.

Clause 9 read. Amendment proposed : In subclause (5) to omit the word "twentieth" in line 6, and to substitute the word "sixteenth". *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 10 read and agreed to.

Clause 11 read. Amendment proposed : To omit paragraph (*c*). *(Captain Rushworth.)*

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 12 read.

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 38.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Rushworth
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Chapman	Lowry	Semple
Christie	Lyon	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Cotterill	Meachen	Webb
Coulter	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 11.

Bodkin	Holland	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Roy	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 13 read.

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 38.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Rushworth
Campbell	Lee	Savage
Chapman	Lowry	Semple
Christie	Lyon	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Cotterill	Meachen	Webb
Coulter	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

NOES, 11.

Bodkin	Holland	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Roy	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 14 read and agreed to.

Clause 15 read. Amendment proposed: To omit paragraph (*c*). *(Captain Rushworth.)*

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 16 and 17 read and agreed to.

Clause 18 read.

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 37.

Armstrong	Hodgens	Ratana
Barnes	Hultquist	Roberts
Barrell	Hunter	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Jones	Savage
Campbell	Lee	Semple
Chapman	Lowry	Sullivan
Christie	Lyon	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Webb
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams.
Coulter	Moncur	
Cullen	Nash	*Tellers.*
Denham	Osborne	McKeen
Fraser	Petrie	O'Brien.

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Bodkin	Roy	Wright.
Burnett, T. D.	Rushworth	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Sexton	Hargest
Hamilton	Wilkinson	Kyle.
Holland		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 19 to 21 inclusive read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Bill and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until eleven minutes after six of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Monday, the 6th Day of December, 1937.

The House met this day at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

213. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Dental Indemnity Society, and West Coast (S.I.) Sawmillers' Mutual Accident Insurance Company (Accident Business)]; for Year ended 30th June, 1937 [The Farmers' Co-operative Insurance Association of New Zealand, Limited, Victoria Insurance Company, Limited, and N.I.M.U. Mutual Insurance Company (Accident Business)]; for Year ended 31st July, 1937 [Sawmillers' Mutual Accident Insurance Company (Accident Business)].

214. Municipal Corporations: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations for Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Otaki, Port Chalmers, Queenstown, and Rotorua].

215. Municipal Corporations: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Cambridge, Carterton, Featherston, Feilding, Hokitika, Masterton, Mataura, Milton, Mount Eden, New Brighton, New Plymouth, Opotiki, Rotorua, Takapuna, Taumarunui, Timaru, Wellington, Whangarei, and Winton].

216. County Councils: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned County Councils for Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Grey, Manawatu, and Murchison].

217. County Councils: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned County Councils for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Ashburton, Cook, Eltham, Featherston, Hauraki Plains, Hawera, Makara, Manawatu, Mauriceville, Murchison, Oroua, Patangata, Rodney, Waipa, Waipukurau, Wairarapa South, and Waitemata].

219. Fire Boards: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Cambridge and Otaki].

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

218. Board of Native Affairs: Annual Report on Native Land Development for Year ended 31st March, 1937. G.–10.

Ordered, That Paper No. 218 be printed.

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

4. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Titi te Ikahaehae Kupenga and others, G. A. Hirschberg, Kaka Porowini and others, Karanga te Kere Ngataierua and others, Ngapera Parata and others, Te Hikonga Anaru and others, Hoani Meihana and others, and Reiha Tangotango and another, and Tamiti Moeau and another, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Hoani Meihana and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petitions of Titi te Ikahaehae Kupenga and others, G. A. Hirschberg, and Kaka Porowini and others be referred to the Government for consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Reiha Tangotango and another be referred to the Government for inquiry.

5. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 40.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for Services of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 6th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the enclosure, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Petroleum Bill.

7. *Petroleum Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committal of the Petroleum Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Webb moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now committed.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Mr. Broadfoot moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That", with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "the Bill be referred back to the Government with a view of provision being made that a proportion of the royalty paid for petroleum won shall be paid to all owners of land except in such cases where the title held by any owner specifies that mineral rights are the property of the Crown, and that in the case of owners of Native land individual owners shall receive not less than the amount specified for European owners, but such amount shall not be less than fifty per centum of the royalty received."

And the Question and amendment being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until forty-six minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 7th Day of December, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 2.30 p.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Dr. McMillan on account of illness in his family.

4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency :—

220. Primary and Post-primary Education : Reports of Chief Inspectors of Primary and Secondary Schools, and of the Superintendent of Technical Education, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. E.–2.

221. Education.—Child Welfare, State Care of Children, Special Schools, and Infant-life Protection : Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1936. E.–4.

222. Teachers' Superannuation Fund : Annual Report of Board for Year ended 31st January, 1937. E.–8.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 220 to 222 inclusive be printed.

5. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency ; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 41.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled " An Act to provide for the Establishment of a New Zealand School of Agriculture, in connection with the University of New Zealand, for the Purpose of co-ordinating and developing Higher Education in Agriculture, and to make Provision for Matters incidental thereto," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 7th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to provide for the Establishment of a New Zealand School of Agriculture, in connection with the University of New Zealand, for the Purpose of co-ordinating and developing Higher Education in Agriculture, and to make provision for matters incidental thereto.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

6. *School of Agriculture Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, according to Order, presented the School of Agriculture Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

7. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 42.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision for the Observance of the Birthday of His Majesty King George the Sixth," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 7th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to make Provision for the Observance of the Birthday of His Majesty King George the Sixth.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

8. *Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

9. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 43.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to validate and confirm certain Regulations made under the Authority of the Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House.
Wellington, 7th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to validate and confirm certain Regulations made under the authority of the Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

10. *Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

11. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 44.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Reconstitution of the Greymouth Harbour Board," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 7th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to provide for the Reconstitution of the Greymouth Harbour Board.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Fraser do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

12. *Greymouth Harbour Board Reconstitution Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, according to Order, presented the Greymouth Harbour Board Reconstitution Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

13. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 45.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Health Act, 1920," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 7th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Health Act, 1920.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Fraser do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

14. *Health Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, according to Order, presented the Health Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

15. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 46.*

Pursuant to section 56 of the Constitution Act, the Governor-General returns to the House of Representatives the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Mining Act, 1926," with the following amendment, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

Clause 42: To omit the word "ten" in the fifth line, and substitute the word "five".

Government House,
Wellington, 7th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of an amendment in the Bill to amend the Mining Act, 1926.

16. *Mining Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the amendment proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Mining Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the amendment proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Mining Amendment Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, together with a Message acquainting them that this House has agreed thereto.

17. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Supplementary Estimates.

18. *Committee of Supply (Supplementary Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,161 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and the charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £548 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Prime Minister's Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,302 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Treasury Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,295 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Customs Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land and Income Tax Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,521 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,228 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Audit Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £851 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioners' Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £16,119 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,445 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £26,539 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,437 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Marine Department for the Financial Year ending March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £16,041 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Labour for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,177 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £770 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Valuation Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electoral Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £910 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £6,136 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Justice and Prisons for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Crown Law Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £916 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,054 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Naval Services for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £28,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Maintenance of Public Works and Services for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £16,277 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Lands and Survey for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £122,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £39,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Amendment proposed: To reduce the total vote by £5. *(Mr. Smith.)*

Amendment negatived.

Vote agreed to.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,006 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,381 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mines Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £21,551 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £13,673 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £71,645 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum (by way of credit) not exceeding £156,504 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Pensions Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,298 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the National Provident and Friendly Societies Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,810 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Works, Departmental, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £185,025 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway Construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £90,960 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Education Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,090 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £6,375 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £527,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Construction, Improvement, &c., of Settlement Roads, Bridges, and other Public Works, including Salaries or Wages, Holiday Pay, Compensation and Contingent Expenses for Accidents to Employees, Charges for Plant, &c., Supervision and all other Expenses for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £825 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lands Improvement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Irrigation, Water-supply, and Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Settlement of Unemployed Workers for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £65,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,771 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,238 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forests Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £91,698 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £219,629 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £13,325 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £790 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £295 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Superannuation Fund Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £27,385 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,490 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Dairy Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £18,915 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938. *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Amendment proposed: To reduce the total vote by £15,710. *(Mr. Kyle.)*

And the Question being put, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 16.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Smith
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	Wright.
Coates	Holyoake	
Cobbe	Polson	*Tellers.*
Endean	Roy	Hargest
Forbes	Sexton	Kyle.

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Anderton	Denham	Moncur
Atmore	Fraser	Nash
Barclay	Hodgens	Nordmeyer
Barnes	Hultquist	Robertson
Barrell	Jones	Savage
Burnett, C. H.	Langstone	Semple
Campbell	Lee	Sullivan
Carr	Lowry	Thorn
Coleman	Lyon	Williams.
Cotterill	McCombs	*Tellers.*
Coulter	Martin	O'Brien
Cullen	Mason	Richards.

So it passed in the Negative.

Vote agreed to.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £233,437 5s. 11d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Unauthorized Expenditure Account for the Year 1936–37: For Services not provided for, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £334,648 13s. 3d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Surplus credits-in-aid applied in terms of section 51 of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £267,625 12s. 4d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Sums irrecoverable by the Crown or value of stores required to be written off departmental accounts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

To report the Resolutions.

And the Committee, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Wednesday morning;

WEDNESDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1937.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee of Supply has come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Resolutions reported this day, together with the Resolutions previously reported, be considered forthwith.

The same were accordingly read as follows:—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £110,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £25,505 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Prime Minister's Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £40,647 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Treasury Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £125,342 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Customs Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £161,870 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land and Income Tax Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £94,741 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £42,876 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Audit Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioners' Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £456,415 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £246,321 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £238,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £158,987 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Marine Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £120,964 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Labour for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £152,420 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £62,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Valuation Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,842 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electoral Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £33,999 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £327,590 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Justice and Prisons for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,869 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Crown Law Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £610,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £734,797 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Naval Service for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £550,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Army for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £315,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Air Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,150,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Maintenance of Public Works and Services for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £386,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Lands and Survey for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £754,485 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £355,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £133,538 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £44,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mines Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £46,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,141,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £390,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,745,325 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £6,769,423 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Pensions Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £121,505 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the National Provident and Friendly Societies Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £400,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £333,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £399,522 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forests Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,687,967 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,392,352 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £341,289 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £15,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £325,783 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,504 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Superannuation Fund Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £87,956 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £28,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Accident Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,867 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Advances Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £61,086 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Dairy Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £24,450 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Internal Marketing Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £354,416 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £180,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Works, Departmental, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,108,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway Construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,203,457 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railways: Improvements and Additions to Open Lines for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,139,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £550,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Education Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £39,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £966,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Construction, Improvement, &c., of Settlement Roads, Bridges, and other Public Works, including Salaries or Wages, Holiday Pay, Compensation and Contingent Expenses for Accidents to Employees, Charges for Plant, &c., Supervision, and all other Expenses for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £750,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Telegraph Extension for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £156,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lands Improvement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £105,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Irrigation, Water-supply, and Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £23,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Swamp-land Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £300,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Settlement of Unemployed Workers for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £250,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Native Land Settlement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Dairy Industry Loans for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,370,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electric Supply Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,165,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Main Highways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,161 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £548 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Prime Minister's Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,302 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Treasury Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,295 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Customs Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land and Income Tax Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,521 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,228 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Audit Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £851 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioners' Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £16,119 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,445 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £26,539 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,437 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Marine Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £16,041 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Labour for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,177 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £770 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Valuation Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electoral Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £910 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £6,136 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Justice and Prisons for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Crown Law Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £916 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,054 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Naval Service for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £28,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Maintenance of Public Works and Services for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £16,277 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Lands and Survey for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £122,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £39,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,006 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,381 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mines Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £21,551 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £13,673 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £71,645 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum (by way of credit) not exceeding £156,504 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Pensions Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,298 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the National Provident and Friendly Societies Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,810 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Works, Departmental, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £185,025 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway Construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £90,960 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Education Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,090 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £6,375 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £527,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Construction, Improvement, &c., of Settlement Roads, Bridges, and other Public Works, including Salaries or Wages, Holiday Pay, Compensation and Contingent Expenses for Accidents to Employees, Charges for Plant, &c., Supervision, and all other Expenses for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £825 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lands Improvement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Irrigation, Water-supply, and Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Settlement of Unemployed Workers for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £65,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,771 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,238 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forests Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £91,698 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £219,629 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £13,325 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £790 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £295 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Superannuation Fund Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £27,385 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,490 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Dairy Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £18,915 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £233,437 5s. 11d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Unauthorized Expenditure Account for the Year 1936–37: For Services not provided for, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £334,648 13s. 3d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Surplus credits-in-aid applied in terms of section 51 of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £267,625 12s. 4d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Sums irrecoverable by the Crown or value of stores, &c., required to be written off departmental Accounts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1938.

And the Resolutions, being read a second time;

Resolved, That this House concurs with the Committee in the said Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

19. *Committe of Ways and Means.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Ways and Means;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty, for the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, the following sums may be issued and applied: Out of the Consolidated Fund nineteen million nine hundred and seventy thousand eight hundred and forty-eight pounds, and in addition the sum of two million three hundred and sixty-four thousand eight hundred and forty-six pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the Public Works Fund ten million and seventy-six thousand nine hundred and two pounds, and in addition the sum of one million seven hundred and ninety-five thousand four hundred and ten pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the separate accounts thirteen million one hundred and seventy-two thousand four hundred and thirty-six pounds, and in addition the sum of one million four hundred and fifty-five thousand six hundred and ninety-two pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the accounts outside the Public Account, four million nine hundred and twenty-three thousand seven hundred and twenty-two pounds, and in addition the sum of two hundred and forty-six thousand three hundred and ten pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid. *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

To report the Resolution.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty, for the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, the following sums may be issued and applied: Out of the Consolidated Fund nineteen million nine hundred and seventy thousand eight hundred and forty-eight pounds, and in addition the sum of two million three hundred and sixty-four thousand eight hundred and forty-six pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the Public Works Fund ten million and seventy-six thousand nine hundred and two pounds, and in addition the sum of one million seven hundred and ninety-five thousand four hundred and ten pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the separate accounts thirteen million one hundred and seventy-two thousand four hundred and thirty-six pounds, and in addition the sum of one million four hundred and fifty-five thousand six hundred and ninety-two pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the accounts outside the Public Account, four million nine hundred and twenty-three thousand seven hundred and twenty-two pounds, and in addition the sum of two hundred and forty-six thousand three hundred and ten pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid.

And the Resolution, being read a second time;

Resolved, That this House concurs with the Committee in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That the Right Honourable Mr. Savage and the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

(Extension of Sitting.)—With the leave of the House, the sitting was extended to enable the Appropriation Bill to be introduced and passed through all its stages.

20. *Appropriation Bill.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage and the Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented a Bill to appropriate and apply certain Sums of Money out of the Consolidated Fund, the Public Works Fund, and other Accounts to the Services of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Present Session; and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

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

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Appropriation Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to appropriate and apply certain Sums of Money out of the Consolidated Fund, the Public Works Fund, and other Accounts to the Services of the Year ending the Thirty-first Day of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this present Session."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

21. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Primary Products Marketing Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

22. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 47.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the State Advances Corporation Act, 1934–35, and to extend the Powers of the Board of Management of the Corporation in relation to the Administration of the Housing Act, 1919," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

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Wellington, 7th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the State Advances Corporation Act, 1934–35, and to extend the Powers of the Board of Management of the Corporation in relation to the Administration of the Housing Act, 1919.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

23. *State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit until two minutes after one of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Wednesday, the 8th Day of December, 1937.

PRAYERS.

1. *Adjournment moved under Standing Order 129.*—Mr. Polson moved the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 129 for the purpose of discussing the hold-up on the Auckland waterfront.

And the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, Order of Business No. 9 was taken in order to consider certain Reports of Select Committees.

3. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill, and the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2), and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

4. *Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill.*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill be read a second time presently.

5. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2).*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2) be committed presently.

6. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, brought up Reports on the Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill, and the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill.*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*,—That the Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill be read a second time presently.

8. *Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill be read a second time presently.

9. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Local Legislation Bill, the Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill, the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill, the School of Agriculture Bill, and the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.

10. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 11 inclusive was postponed in order to consider Orders of the Day for Local Bills with the exception of Order of the Day for Local Bill No. 4.

11. *Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

12. *Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

13. *Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill;

Mr. Christie (for the Honourable Mr. Barnard) moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

14. *Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

15. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committal of the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2);

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, Mr. Atmore moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be committed presently.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

16. *Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

17. *Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

18. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill, the Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill, the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill, the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill, the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2), the Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill, and the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

19. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2).*—The amendments made by the Local Bills Committee, were with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bil

Clauses 1 to 4 inclusive read and agreed to.

Preamble read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

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20. *Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to confer Special Powers on the Thames Valley Drainage Board."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

21. *Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Taupiri Drainage and River District Act, 1929."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

22. *Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Napier Harbour Board Loan Act, 1933."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

23. *Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Act, 1935."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

24. *Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Christchurch Domains Act, 1904."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

25. *Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2).*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2), and had made amendment therein.

With the leave of the House, the Report was ordered to be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to exempt certain Lands and Buildings for the time being vested in and used by the Cawthron Institute Trust Board from Liability for Payment of Rates, and to authorize certain Local Authorities to remit certain Rates heretofore charged or levied against the Board in respect of the Lands and Buildings now vested in the Board."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

26. *Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had made progress in the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill, and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

27. *Local Legislation Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Local Legislation Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

28. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Appropriation Act, 1937, which the Council returns to the House of Representatives as one of its Bills of Supply. Also,—

The Legislative Council has agreed to the amendment proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Bill intituled the Mining Amendment Act, 1937, transmitted in Message No. 37 from the House of Representatives.

29. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 48.*

The Bills intituled—

The Physical Welfare and Recreation Act, 1937,
The Sale of Wool Act, 1937,
The Coal-mines Amendment Act, 1937,
The Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Act, 1937,
The Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Act, 1937,
The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Act, 1937,
The Church of England Trusts Amendment Act, 1937, and
The Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,
Wellington, 6th December, 1937.

30. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 49.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Dogs Registration Act, 1908," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 8th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Dogs Registration Act, 1908.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

31. *Dogs Registration Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Dogs Registration Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

32. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 50.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Agricultural Workers Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 8th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Agricultural Workers Act, 1936.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Armstrong do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

33. *Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Armstrong, according to Order, presented the Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

34. *Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

35. *Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

36. *School of Agriculture Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the School of Agriculture Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

37. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Local Legislation Bill, the Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill, the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill, and the School of Agriculture Bill.

38. *Local Legislation Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 30 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 31 read. Amendments proposed: In subclause (1) to omit from line 23, in the second place where it occurs, the word "costs," and to substitute the word "cost"; and in line 25, after the words "Crown lease," the words "(including the cost of and incidental to the removal of any encumbrance or encumbrances affecting the said lease)." *(Honourable Mr. Parry.)*

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 32 read and agreed to.

Clause 33 struck out by the Local Bills Committee.

Clauses 34 to 51 inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Local Legislation Bill, and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to confer certain Powers on certain Public Bodies and to validate certain Transactions."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

39. *Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Sovereign's Birthday Observance Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to make Provision for the Observance of the Birthday of His Majesty King George the Sixth."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

40. *Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to validate and confirm certain Regulations made under the Authority of the Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

41. *School of Agriculture Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the School of Agriculture Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a New Zealand School of Agriculture, in connection with the University of New Zealand, for the Purpose of co-ordinating and developing Higher Education in Agriculture, and to make Provision for Matters incidental thereto."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

42. *Sitting of the House.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That this House do sit to-morrow from half after ten of the clock a.m. until half after ten of the clock p.m., with a suspension of the sitting from one of of the clock p.m. until half after two of the clock p.m. and from half after five of the clock p.m. until half after seven of the clock p.m., and proceeding to Orders of the Day at half after ten of the clock a.m.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-five minutes after ten of the clock p.m. on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Thursday, the 9th Day of December, 1937.

The House met this day at 10.30 a.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive, with the exception of No. 8.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Wiremu Utatangata Taipua and another, Maria Rimaha and others, and Rangi Huna Pere and others, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Wiremu Utatangata Taipua and another be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Rangi Huna Pere and others be referred to the Government for consideration.

4. *Defence Committee.*—Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of F. W. Schramm and others and W. A. Clinton and others, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of W. A. Clinton and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of F. W. Schramm and others be referred to the Government for consideration.

Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, also brought up a Report on the Petition of L. Sayers together with Minutes of Evidence, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

5. *Petroleum Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Petroleum Bill be committed, and the amendment proposed thereto, That all the words after "That" be omitted for the purpose of inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "the Bill be referred back to the Government with a view of provision being made that a proportion of the royalty paid for petroleum won shall be paid to all owners of land except in such cases where the title held by any owner specifies that mineral rights are the roperty of the Crown, and that in the case of Native land individual owners shall receive not less than the amount specified for European owners, but such amount shall not be less than fifty per centum of the royalty received".

And the Question and amendment being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

With the leave of the House, the amendment proposed by Mr. Broadfoot, That all the words after "That" be omitted for the purpose of inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "the Bill be referred back to the Government with a view of provision being made that a proportion of the royalty paid for petroleum won shall be paid to all owners of land except in such cases where the title held by any owner specifies that mineral rights are the property of the Crown, and that in the case of owners of Native land individual owners shall receive not less than the amount specified for European owners, but such amount shall not be less than fifty per centum of the royalty received, was withdrawn.

And the Original Question being again proposed, That the Petroleum Bill be committed, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

6. *Dogs Registration Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Dogs Registration Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

7. *Appropriation Bill.*—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had duly presented the Appropriation Bill, 1937, to His Excellency the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, and that His Excellency had, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill.

8. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Petroleum Bill, the Dogs Registration Amendment Bill, the Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill, and the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.

9. *Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

10. *State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of Messages from the Legislative Council.

11. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Private Bill intituled the Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Local Legislation Act, 1937, the Sovereign's Birthday Observance Act, 1937, the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Act, 1937, and the School of Agriculture Act, 1937, without amendment.

12. *State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

With the leave of the House, the Debate was interrupted in order to consider Order of Business No. 7.

13. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

223. Government Departments: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937. B.–1 [Pt. IV].

Ordered, That Paper No. 223 be printed.

14. *State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

Debate interrupted by the reading of Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General.

15. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 51.*

The Bills intituled:—

The Finance Act, 1937, and

The Whangarei Airport Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,

Wellington, 6th December, 1937.

16. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 52.*

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto may affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,
Wellington, 9th December, 1937.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the said Resolution, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

17. *State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

18. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bills intituled the Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Act, 1937, the Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Act, 1937, the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Act, 1937, the Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Act, 1937, and the Christchurch Domains Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

19. *State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

20. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, it was agreed to consider Order of the Day for Local Bills No. 1 and pass it through all its remaining stages.

21. *Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee on the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

22. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Petroleum Bill, the Dogs Registration Amendment Bill, the Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill, the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill, and the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.

23. *Petroleum Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

The amendments made by the Goldfields and Mines Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clause 1 read and agreed to.

Clause 2 read.

Amendments proposed: In paragraph (*a*) to insert, after the word "improvement" in line 15, the word "conveyance"; and in paragraph (*b*) to insert, after the word "buildings" in line 19, the words "storage tanks, pipe-lines". *(Honourable Mr. Webb.)*

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 3 to 11 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 12 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (2) to omit the word "this" in line 18, and to substitute the word "that". *(Honourable Mr. Webb.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Subclause as amended agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 13 struck out by the Goldfields and Mines Committee.

New clause 13 read and agreed to.

Clauses 14 and 15 read and agreed to.

Clause 16 struck out by the Goldfields and Mines Committee.

New clause 16 read and agreed to.

Clauses 17 to 26 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 27 struck out by the Goldfields and Mines Committee.

Clauses 28 to 33 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 34 read.

Amendments proposed: In subclause (2) to omit the figures "1908" in lines 22 and 24, and to substitute the figures "1928". *(Honourable Mr. Webb.)*

Amendments agreed to.

Subclause as amended agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 35 to 47 inclusive read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

And the Committee, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Friday morning;

FRIDAY, THE 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1937.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Petroleum Bill, and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to make Better Provision for the Encouragement and Regulation of Mining for Petroleum, and to provide for Matters incidental thereto."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

24. *Dogs Registration Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Dogs Registration Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Dogs Registration Act, 1908."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

25. *Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Agricultural Workers Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Agricultural Workers Act, 1936."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

26. *State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the State Advances Corporation Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the State Advances Corporation Act, 1934–35, and to extend the Powers of the Board of Management of the Corporation in relation to the Administration of the Housing Act, 1919."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

27. *Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Act, 1912; to amend the Wellington City Trading Departments' Reserve and Renewal Funds Act, 1917; and to amend the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Act, 1924."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

28. *Sitting of House.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the ringing of the bells this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until five minutes after twelve of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 10th Day of December, 1937.

The House met this day at 12.14 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, Notices of Motion Nos. 1 to 13 inclusive were taken.

2. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Hawera Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 106 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over Section 8, Block IV, Hawera Survey District, Taranaki Land District.

3. *Forests Act, 1921-22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Wairere Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 107 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over Section 2, Block XV, Wairere Survey District, Auckland Land District.

4. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Hokonui Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 108 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over an area of 160 acres situated in Block 68, Hokonui Survey District, Southland Land District.

5. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Tairua Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 109 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over an area of 275 acres situated in Blocks IV and VIII, Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.

6. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Wakamarina Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 130 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over an area of 420 acres situated in Block I, Wakamarina Survey District, Marlborough Land District.

7. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Tairua Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 131 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over portion of Section 8, Block XVI, Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.

8. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Ohinemuri Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 132 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over portion of Section 1, Block VIII, Ohinemuri Survey District, Auckland Land District.

9. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Southland Land District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 133 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over Section 487, Block VI, Forest Hill Hundred, Southland Land District.

10. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Waitemata Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 134 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over Allotment 74, Paremoremo Parish, situated in Blocks V and VI, Waitemata Survey District, North Auckland Land District.

11. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Whitianga Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 135 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over an area of 66 acres situated in Block IV, Whitianga Survey District, Auckland Land District.

12. *Forests Act, 1921–22: Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Waipoua Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 136 revoking in terms of section 19 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, the permanent State forest reservation over portion of Section 17, Block XI, Waipoua Survey District, North Auckland Land District.

13. *Change of Purpose of Reservation over Area in the Mueller Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 211 for the change of purpose of the reservation over portion of Recreation Reserve 2652, Mueller Survey District, Canterbury Land District, to a reserve for aerodrome purposes.

14. *Revocation of Reservation over Area in the Town of Rangataua.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 212 for the revocation of the reservation as a site for a public hospital over Section 8, Block IX, Town of Rangataua.

15. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Petroleum Act, 1937, the State Advances Corporation Amendment Act, 1937, the Dogs Registration Amendment Act, 1937, and the Agricultural Workers Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bill intituled the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

16. *Adjournment of the House (Special).*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until half after two of the clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 1st day of March, 1938, provided always that if at any time during such adjournment the Government shall inform Mr. Speaker that it has become necessary in the public interest that the House should meet on any earlier day, Mr. Speaker shall give notice thereof to each member of the House by telegram or letter, and the House shall meet on the day and at the hour specified in such notice as if it had been duly adjourned thereto.

17. *Adjournment.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 34.

Anderton	Hunter	Petrie
Armstrong	Jones	Roberts
Barnes	Kyle	Robertson
Campbell	Langstone	Savage
Coates	Lee	Thorn
Cobbe	Lowry	Tirikatene
Coleman	McKeen	Webb
Cotterill	Martin	Wilson.
Coulter	Munro	
Forbes	Nash	*Tellers.*
Hamilton	Nordmeyer	Denham
Hargest	Parry	Ratana.

NOES, 20.

Barclay	Holyoake	O'Brien
Barrell	Howard	Osborne
Chapman	Hultquist	Richards
Christie	Lyon	Sullivan.
Cullen	McCombs	*Tellers.*
Herring	Mason	Polson
Holland	Moncur	Wright.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-six minutes after twelve of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Tuesday, the 1st Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Message.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 53.*

The Bills intituled :—

The Electoral Amendment Act, 1937,
The Mining Amendment Act, 1937,
The State Advances Corporation Amendment Act, 1937,
The Primary Products Marketing Amendment Act, 1937,
The Appropriation Act, 1937,
The Sovereign's Birthday Observance Act, 1937,
The Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Act, 1937,
The Local Legislation Act, 1937,
The School of Agriculture Act, 1937,
The Petroleum Act, 1937,
The Agricultural Workers Amendment Act, 1937,
The Dogs Registration Amendment Act, 1937,
The Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment Act, 1937,
The Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Act, 1937,
The Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Act, 1937,
The Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Act, 1937,
The Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Act, 1937,
The Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Act, 1937,
The Christchurch Domains Amendment Act, 1937,
The Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Act, 1937, and
The Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,
Wellington, 1st March, 1938.

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Coleman on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Smith on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Holyoake on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. T. D. Burnett on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Henare on account of illness.

4. *Death of the Honourable David Buddo.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente*, That this House records its high sense of the distinguished services rendered to New Zealand by the late Honourable David Buddo, a former Member of the Legislative Council and of the House of Representatives and a former Minister of the Crown, and respectively tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

5. *Death of Mr. Hugh Poland.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. Hugh Poland, a former Member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

6. *Death of Mr. Thomas Andrew Hemming Field.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. Thomas Andrew Hemming Field, a former Member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

7. *Death of Mr. Thomas Lindsay Buick, C.M.G.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. Thomas Lindsay Buick, C.M.G., a former Member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

8. *Death of Mr. John Edward Jenkinson.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. John Edward Jenkinson, a former Member of the Legislative Council, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

9. *Adjournment.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Resolved,* That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. on Wednesday next as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Honourable David Buddo, the late Mr. Hugh Poland, the late Mr. Thomas Andrew Hemming Field, the late Mr. Thomas Lindsay Buick, C.M.G., and the late Mr. John Edward Jenkinson.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-five minutes after four of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 2nd Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Declaration by Member.*—Peter Neilson, Esquire, Member for Dunedin Central, having made and subscribed the declaration required by law, took his seat in the House.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered,* That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Tirikatene on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered,* That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Dr. McMillan on account of illness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered,* That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Endean on account of illness.

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Ratification of Conventions of International Labour Conferences.*—Notice of Motion No. 1 being called on;

(Change of Name of Mover.)—With the leave of the House, the right of moving the motion and the right of reply to the debate thereon was assumed by the Honourable Mr. Armstrong instead of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage.

(Limits of Debate extended.)—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Debate on Notice of Motion No. 1 be continued on the resumption of the House at the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m., and that Members be afforded an opportunity of discussing Parliamentary Papers Nos. 181, 187, and 188 in conjunction with the Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Armstrong moved, seconded by the Reverend Mr. Carr, and the Question was proposed, That the House of Representatives of New Zealand in Parliament assembled assents to the ratification by New Zealand of the following Draft Conventions adopted by the International Labour Conferences:—

Year when Convention adopted.	Number of Convention.	Subject.
1919	(1)	Hours of work (industrial undertaking): Eight per day and forty-eight per week.
1919	(2)	Unemployment system of free public employment agencies.
1920	(9)	Establishing facilities for finding employment for seamen.
1921	(11)	Rights of association and combination of agricultural workers.
1921	(12)	Workmen's compensation in agriculture.
1921	(14)	Application of weekly rest in industrial undertaking.
1925	(17)	Workmen's compensation for accidents: Laws as to workmen's compensation to apply to all employees in any public or private enterprise, undertaking, or establishment.
1926	(21)	Simplification of inspection of emigrants on board ship.
1926	(22)	Seamen's Articles of Agreement.
1928	(26)	Creation of minimum-wage-fixing machinery.
1930	(29)	Forced or compulsory labour: Imposition of forced or compulsory labour for benefit of private individuals, companies, or associations not to be permitted.
1930	(30)	Regulation of hours of work in commerce and offices: Hours of work not to exceed forty-eight a week and eight a day except in certain special circumstances.
1932	(32)	Protection against accidents of workers in loading and unloading ships.
1934	(41)	Employment of women during the night.
1934	(42)	Workmen's compensation for industrial diseases.
1934	(44)	Ensuring benefit or allowances to the involuntarily unemployed.
1934	(45)	Prohibition of employment of women on underground work in mines of all kinds.
1935	(47)	Reduction of hours of work to forty a week: Ratification indicates approval of— (*a*) Principle of forty-hour week so that standard of living is not reduced. (*b*) Taking or facilitating of such measures as may be appropriate to this end: and agreement to apply principle to classes of employment in accordance with such separate conventions as are ratified.
1935	(49)	Reduction of hours of work in glass-bottle works.
1936	(51)	Reduction of hours of work on public works to an average of forty hours per week.
1936	(53)	Professional capacity of officers: Establishment of a minimum requirement of professional capacity of marine captains' and officers' certificates of competency.
1937	(61)	Reduction of hours of work in the textile industry—viz., forty hours per week.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of New Zealand in Parliament assembled assents to the ratification by New Zealand of the following Draft Conventions adopted by the International Labour Conferences :—

Year when Convention adopted.	Number of Convention.	Subject.
1919	(1)	Hours of work (industrial undertaking): Eight per day and forty-eight per week.
1919	(2)	Unemployment system of free public employment agencies.
1920	(9)	Establishing facilities for finding employment for seamen.
1921	(11)	Rights of association and combination of agricultural workers.
1921	(12)	Workmen's compensation in agriculture.
1921	(14)	Application of weekly rest in industrial undertaking.
1925	(17)	Workmen's compensation for accidents: Laws as to workmen's compensation to apply to all employees in any public or private enterprise, undertaking, or establishment.
1926	(21)	Simplification of inspection of emigrants on board ship.
1926	(22)	Seamen's Articles of Agreement.
1928	(26)	Creation of minimum-wage-fixing machinery.
1930	(29)	Forced or compulsory labour: Imposition of forced or compulsory labour for benefit of private individuals, companies, or associations not to be permitted.
1930	(30)	Regulation of hours of work in commerce and offices: Hours of work not to exceed forty-eight a week and eight a day except in certain special circumstances.
1932	(32)	Protection against accidents of workers in loading and unloading ships.
1934	(41)	Employment of women during the night.
1934	(42)	Workmen's compensation for industrial diseases.
1934	(44)	Ensuring benefit or allowances to the involuntarily unemployed.
1934	(45)	Prohibition of employment of women on underground work in mines of all kinds.
1935	(47)	Reduction of hours of work to forty a week: Ratification indicates approval of— (*a*) Principle of forty-hour week so that standard of living is not reduced. (*b*) Taking or facilitating of such measures as may be appropriate to this end: and agreement to apply principle to classes of employment in accordance with such separate conventions as are ratified.
1935	(49)	Reduction of hours of work in glass-bottle works.
1936	(51)	Reduction of hours of work on public works to an average of forty hours per week.
1936	(53)	Professional capacity of officers: Establishment of a minimum requirement of professional capacity of marine captains' and officers' certificates of competency.
1937	(61)	Reduction of hours of work in the textile industry—viz., forty hours per week.

Ordered, That a message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the said Resolution.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-six minutes after nine of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 3rd Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 54.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the Reply from His Majesty King George the Sixth to the Joint Address of the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives on the occasion of His Majesty's Accession to the Throne and of His Coronation.

Government House,
Wellington, 3rd March, 1938.

The Reply from His Majesty the King, signed by the King's own hand, was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

"MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NEW ZEALAND—

"I thank you most sincerely for the Address which you have presented to me on the occasion of my Accession to the Throne and on my Coronation.

"I greatly appreciate the loyal assurances and good wishes to which it gives expression, and join with you in hoping that, under Divine Providence, the blessings of peace and prosperity may be vouchsafed to the peoples of the British Empire throughout my reign."

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Resolved*, That His Majesty King George the Sixth's most gracious reply be recorded on the Journals of the House.

2. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

224. Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, Orders in Council under the, amending the Post and Telegraph (Staff) Regulations, 1925.

3. *Papers, Consideration of.*—Papers for consideration being called on;

With the leave of the House, consideration of all Papers down to but not including Paper No. 193 was postponed in order to consider Paper No. 193 (Mines Statement, by the Honourable P. C. Webb, Minister of Mines, for the Year ended 31st December, 1936, C.-2).

(Time-limit of Speeches and Time for Debate extended.)—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the time-limit of speeches be extended from fifteen minutes to thirty minutes, and that the Debate be continued on the resumption of the House at half after seven of the clock p.m.

The Honourable Mr. Webb moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 193 be referred to the Government.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General.

4. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 55.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Pensions Act, 1926," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 3rd March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Pensions Act, 1926.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

5. *Pensions Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Pensions Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

6. *Papers, Consideration of.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That Paper No. 193 be referred to the Government.

The Honourable Mr. Hamilton moved, seconded by Colonel Hargest, That the Question be amended by the addition of the following words: "with a recommendation to the Government that provision be made for a portion of the royalty provided for in section 12 of the Petroleum Act, 1937, to be paid to all owners of land except in such cases where the title held by any owner specifies that mineral rights are the property of the Crown, and that in the case of owners of Native land individual owners shall receive not less than the amount specified for European owners, but such amount shall not be less than fifty per centum of the royalty received."

And the Question and amendment being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And then the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. having arrived, being the time appointed for the conclusion of the sitting, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Debate; and (with the leave of the House) having set it down for resumption at the hour of half after ten of the clock a.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 4th Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 10.30 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Schramm on account of illness in his family.

4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—.

225. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Wine Duty (South Africa) Order 1938 made under the, altering the Rate of Duty on South African Wine, other than sparkling.

226. Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1930, and Customs Acts Amendment, Act, 1932: Customs Surtax Order 1938 made thereunder exempting certain Goods from Surtax.

227. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Trade Agreement (Canada) Order 1938 made under the, modifying the Trade Agreement between the Dominion of Canada and the Dominion of New Zealand.

228. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Trade Agreement (Australia) Order 1938 made under the, modifying the Trade Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand.

229. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Customs Tariff Amendment Order 1938 (No. 2) made under the, altering the Rates of Duty on certain Goods under the General Tariff.

230. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Customs Tariff Amendment Order 1938 (No. 1) made under the, altering the Rates of Duty on Footwear.

231. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order 1938 (No. 1) made under the, prohibiting the Importation of Second-hand Blankets and Rugs.

232. Customs Act, 1913, Proclamation made under the, revoking the Prohibition of the Importation of Optanine, an Article used in brewing in the Place of Hops.

5. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the motion relating to Paper No. 193.

6. *Paper, Consideration of.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Mines Statement by the Honourable P. C. Webb, Minister of Mines, for year ended 31st December, 1936 (C–2), be referred to the Government; and the amendment proposed thereto, To add the following words: "with a recommendation to the Government that provision be made for a portion of the royalty provided for in section 12 of the Petroleum Act, 1937, to be paid to all owners of land, except in such cases where the title held by any owner specifies that mineral rights are the property of the Crown, and that in the case of owners of Native land individual owners shall receive not less than the amount specified for European owners, but such amount shall not be less than fifty per centum of the royalty received."

And the Question and amendment being again proposed, the House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be added be so added, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 16.

Bodkin	Hargest	Sexton
Coates	Holland	Wright.
Cobbe	Ngata	
Dickie	Polson	*Tellers.*
Forbes	Roy	Broadfoot
Hamilton	Rushworth	Kyle.

NOES, 44.

Anderton	Howard	Parry
Armstrong	Hultquist	Petrie
Barclay	Jones	Ratana
Barnes	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Burnett, C. H.	Lowry	Savage
Campbell	McCombs	Semple
Carr	McDougall	Sullivan
Chapman	Martin	Thorn
Christie	Mason	Tirikatene
Coleman	Meachen	Webb
Cotterill	Moncur	Wilson.
Denham	Nash	*Tellers.*
Fraser	Neilson	O'Brien
Hodgens	Osborne	Richards.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being put, That Paper No. 193 be referred to the Government, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Paper No. 193 (Mines Statement by the Honourable P. C. Webb, Minister of Mines, for year ended 31st December, 1936 (C–2)) be referred to the Government.

7. *Adjournment.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 8th day of March.

8. *Health Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Health Amendment Bill;

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Public Health Committee.

9. *Greymouth Harbour Board Reconstitution Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Greymouth Harbour Board Reconstitution Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An act to provide for the Reconstitution of the Greymouth Harbour Board."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

10. *Pensions Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Pensions Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed next sitting-day.

11. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 56.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision for the Establishment by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand of Iron and Steel Works and Subsidiary Undertakings, and for Matters incidental thereto," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 4th March, 1938.

(Urgency.)—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the proceedings on His Excellency's Message, and to the proceedings up to and including the first reading of the Iron and Steel Industry Bill.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message, transmitting draft of a Bill to make Provision for the Establishment by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand of Iron and Steel Works and Subsidiary Undertakings, and for Matters incidental thereto.

And the Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Sullivan do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

12. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Sullivan, according to Order, presented the Iron and Steel Industry Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-three minutes after five of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 8th Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. C. H. Burnett on account of urgent public business.

3. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—

233. Public Works Act, 1928, Water-power Regulations 1934, Amendment No. 1, issued under the.

234. Public Works Act, 1928, Electrical Wiring Regulations 1935, Amendment No. 1, issued under the.

235. Public Works Act, 1928, Electrical Supply Regulations 1935, Amendment No. 2, issued under the.

236. County Councils—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned County Councils : For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Opotiki, Wanganui, and Woodville] ; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Bay of Islands, Clifton, Collingwood, Egmont, Franklin, Hawke's Bay, Horowhenua, Inangahua, Kaitieke, Kiwitea, Kowai, Marlborough, Ohura, Oxford, Selwyn, Springs, Stratford, Taranaki, Tauranga, Waiapu, Waikohu, Waikouaiti, Waimairi, Wairewa, Wairoa, Waitaki, Waitomo, and Woodville].

237. Municipal Corporations—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations : For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Akaroa, Dargaville, Ross, and Westport] ; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Alexandra, Birkenhead, Bluff, Christchurch, Dunedin, Eltham, Gisborne, Greytown, Hamilton, Hawera, Inglewood, Levin, Lower Hutt, Martinborough, Nelson, Newmarket, Oamaru, Onehunga, Palmerston, Petone, Picton, Rangiora, Shannon, South Invercargill, Te Kuiti, Upper Hutt, Wanganui, and West Harbour].

238. Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, Baconer Grading Regulations 1938, issued under the.

239. Stock Act, 1908, Sausage-casing Importation Regulations 1938, issued under the.

240. Fire Boards—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards : For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Eltham] ; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Auckland Metropolitan, Balclutha, Eltham, Foxton, Hamilton, Hokitika, Petone, and Westport].

241. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 30th September, 1934 [Australian Provincial Assurance Association, Limited (Actuarial Investigation)]; for Year ended 30th June, 1936 [Southern Cross Assurance Company, Limited (Actuarial Investigation)]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Otago Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Association (Accident Business)]; for Year ended 30th June, 1937 [Public Mutual Insurance Company of New Zealand and S.I.M.U. Mutual Insurance Association (Accident Business)]; for Year ended 31st August, 1937 [Producers and Citizens' Co-operative Assurance Company, Limited; South British Insurance Company, Limited (Accident Business); United Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 12th September, 1937 [Wairarapa Automobile Association Mutual Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 30th September, 1937 [National Insurance Company of New Zealand, Limited. New Zealand Dental Mutual Insurance Company (Accident Business)]; for Year ended 31st December, 1937 [New Zealand Master Bakers' Mutual Indemnity Association; The Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation of London (Accident Business)].

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Pensions Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Pensions Amendment Bill;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Pensions Act, 1926."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

6. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Iron and Steel Industry Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Sullivan moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted to enable a Member to take the Oath.

7. *Member takes the Oath.*—Tau Henare, Esquire, Member for Northern Maori, having taken and subscribed the Oath required by law, took his seat in the House.

And the hour of twenty-two minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

8. *Message.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 57.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws relating to Natives and Native Land, to adjust certain Claims and Disputes in relation to Native Land, to confer Jurisdiction upon the Native Land Court and the Native Appellate Court, and for other Purposes," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

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Wellington, 8th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Natives and Native Land, to adjust certain Claims and Disputes in relation to Native Land, to confer Jurisdiction upon the Native Land Court and the Native Appellate Court, and for other Purposes.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Langstone do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

9. *Native Purposes Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Langstone, according to Order, presented the Native Purposes Bill, which was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma* and referred to the Native Affairs Committee.

10. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Iron and Steel Industry Bill be now read a second time.

On motion of Colonel Hargest, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-five minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 9th Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Shipping and Seamen Amendment Act, 1936, Royal Assent to.*—Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following Proclamation of 4th February, 1938, made pursuant to section 59 of the Constitution Act and signifying His Majesty's Assent to the Shipping and Seamen Amendment Act, 1936, and fixing the date of its coming into operation :—

GALWAY, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,

MICHAEL MYERS.

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas by the Constitution Act it is provided that no bill specially reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority in New Zealand until the Governor-General shall signify either by speech or message to the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, or by Proclamation, that such Bill has been laid before His Majesty in Council, and that His Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same :

And whereas a certain Bill intituled " An Act to amend the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908 " the Short Title of which is " The Shipping and Seamen Amendment Act, 1936 " (hereinafter called " the said Bill "), was passed by the Legislative Council and the House of Rrpresentatives, and was presented for His Majesty's assent to the Governor-General, and was reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon :

And whereas by the said Bill it is provided that the same shall come into operation on the day on which His Majesty's assent thereto is notified by the Governor-General by Proclamation published in the *Gazette*, or on such later date (being not later than three months after the date of publication of the Proclamation as aforesaid) as is specified in that behalf in the Proclamation :

Now, therefore, I, George Vere Arundell, Viscount Galway, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution Act, do by this Proclamation signify and proclaim to all whom it may concern that the said Bill has been laid before His Majesty in Council, and that His Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same, and in pursuance of the provisions of the said Bill I do further declare and proclaim that the same shall come into operation on the twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of that Dominion, this 4th day of February, 1938.

P. FRASER, Minister of Marine.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

2. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

The Legislative Council has this day passed the following Resolution :—

"That the Legislative Council of New Zealand in Parliament assembled assents to the Ratification by New Zealand of the following Draft Conventions adopted by the International Labour Conferences :—

Year when Convention adopted.	Number of Convention.	Subject.
1919	(1)	Hours of work (industrial undertaking): Eight per day and forty-eight per week.
1919	(2)	Unemployment system of free public employment agencies.
1920	(9)	Establishing facilities for finding employment for seamen.
1921	(11)	Rights of association and combination of agricultural workers.
1921	(12)	Workmen's compensation in agriculture.
1921	(14)	Application of weekly rest in industrial undertaking.
1925	(17)	Workmen's compensation for accidents: Laws as to workmen's compensation to apply to all employees in any public or private enterprise, undertaking, or establishment.
1926	(21)	Simplification of inspection of emigrants on board ship.
1926	(22)	Seamen's Articles of Agreement.
1928	(26)	Creation of minimum-wage-fixing machinery.
1930	(29)	Forced or compulsory labour: Imposition of forced or compulsory labour for benefit of private individuals, companies, or associations not to be permitted.
1930	(30)	Regulation of hours of work in commerce and offices: Hours of work not to exceed forty-eight a week and eight a day except in certain special circumstances.
1932	(32)	Protection against accidents of workers in loading and unloading ships.
1934	(41)	Employment of women during the night.
1934	(42)	Workmen's compensation for industrial diseases.
1934	(44)	Ensuring benefit or allowances to the involuntarily unemployed.
1934	(45)	Prohibition of employment of women on underground work in mines of all kinds.
1935	(47)	Reduction of hours of work to forty a week: Ratification indicates approval of— (*a*) Principle of forty-hour week so that standard of living is not reduced. (*b*) Taking or facilitating of such measures as may be appropriate to this end : and agreement to apply principle to classes of employment in accordance with such separate conventions as are ratified.
1935	(49)	Reduction of hours of work in glass-bottle works.
1936	(51)	Reduction of hours of work on public works to an average of forty hours per week.
1936	(53)	Professional capacity of officers: Establishment of a minimum requirement of professional capacity of marine captains' and officers' certificates of competency.
1937	(61)	Reduction of hours of work in the textile industry—viz., forty hours per week."

3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business down to but not including Notice of Motion No. 1 was postponed in order to consider Notice of Motion No. 1.

5. *National Health and Superannuation Committee.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of eleven members, to examine the proposals of the Government (1) to establish a National Health Service for the purpose of ensuring to all persons ordinarily resident in New Zealand (as occasion may require) adequate medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, dental, hospital, nursing, or other treatment necessary to maintain sound physical and mental health and to assist recovery in the event of sickness (including the establishment of a Nursing and Domestic Help Service to provide for skilled assistance in the home in cases where sickness, ill-health, or other circumstances render such assistance necessary), and (2) to establish a National Superannuation Service whereby provision shall be made that all persons ordinarily resident in New Zealand shall be assured of an adequate income to maintain them in reasonable comfort when they become unable to support themselves by reason of old age, infirmity, sickness, or other disability, or on account of widowhood or other special conditions, and to report to this House (*a*) generally on the proposals, with recommendations if the Committee thinks fit, as to their extension or limitation; (*b*) as to the best means to be adopted for the financing of the proposed services; (*c*) as to the administration of the proposed services; (*d*) as to the conditions subject to which persons shall be entitled to the benefits proposed to be conferred by the said services; (*e*) with respect to the co-ordination of the proposed services with any existing services of a like kind for which provision is made by public or private organizations or institutions; (*f*) as to such other matters in relation to the said proposals as the Committee thinks fit: That the Committee have power to consider any other matters relative to the above proposals that may from time to time be referred to it by the Government, and may report from time to time to the Government: That the Committee have power to sit on days on which the House is not sitting and during the recess and for twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next session, at such times and at such places as the Committee may see fit, and that, in the event of the Committee sitting during the recess, that it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament: That the proceedings of the Committee during the taking of evidence be open to accredited representatives of the press: the Committee to consist of the following members—Mr. Atmore, Mr. Barnes, the Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Holland, Mr. Kyle, the Hon. Mr. Nash, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover.

6. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—

242. Fire Brigades of the Dominion, Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937, by the Inspector of Fire Brigades. H.-12.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

243. Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928: Notice of Intention to issue an Order in Council revoking the Reservation for Recreation Purposes over a Reserve in Town of Ohakune Extension No. 1, Makotuku Survey District, Wellington Land District.

244. Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928: Notice of Intention to issue an Order in Council revoking the Reservation over Part of the Mataura Domain, Southland Land District.

245. Land Act, 1924: Lands in the North Auckland and Gisborne Land Districts proposed to be reserved for Endowments for Primary Education.

Ordered, That Paper No. 242 be printed.

7. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

8. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up a report on the Native Purposes Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

9. *Native Purposes Bill.—Ordered*, That the Native Purposes Bill be committed next sitting-day.

10. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of P. J. O'Shea and A. Shaw, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petitions of P. J. O'Shea and A. Shaw be referred to the Government for consideration.

11. *Defence Committee.*—Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of C. A. B. Martin and Elsie M. Matthews, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of Elsie M. Matthews be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

12. *Public Health Committee.*—Mr. Anderton (for Dr. McMillan), from the Public Health Committee, brought up a Report on the Health Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

13. *Health Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Health Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.

14. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of T. Harris, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Lands Committee on the Petition of T. Harris be referred to the Government for inquiry.

15. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 58.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Thames Borough Commissioner Act, 1932, and the Thames Harbour Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

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Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Thames Borough Commissioner Act, 1932, and the Thames Harbour Act, 1936.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

16. *Thames Borough Commissioner Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Thames Borough Commissioner Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

17. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Iron and Steel Industry Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General.

18. *Message.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 59.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 9th March, 1938.

(Urgency.)—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the proceedings on His Excellency's Message, and to the proceedings up to and including the first reading of the Finance Bill (No. 2).

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

19. *Finance Bill (No. 2).*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Finance Bill (No. 2), which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

20. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Iron and Steel Industry Bill be now read a second time.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Coates, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until seventeen minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 10th Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of the Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, *Ordered*, That the Public Petitions M to Z Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

2. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

3. *Sittings of House.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That the House do sit to-morrow (Friday) from half after two of the clock p.m. until half after ten of the clock p.m., with a suspension of the sitting from half after five of the clock p.m. until half after seven of the clock p.m., and on Saturday next from half after ten of the clock a.m. until half after five of the clock p.m., with a suspension of the sitting from one of the clock p.m. until half after two of the clock p.m., and proceeding to Orders of the Day at half after seven of the clock p.m. on Friday and half after two of the clock p.m. on Saturday if not previously reached.

4. *Paper.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—
   246. New Zealand and the Netherlands: Exchange of Notes constituting a Trade Arrangement between New Zealand and the Netherlands. A.-8.
   Ordered, That Paper No. 246 be printed.

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

6. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Dunedin City Corporation (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Dunedin City Corporation (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill.—Ordered*, That the Dunedin City Corporation (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

8. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of G. Marriner and others (2), G. Marriner, Tukumaru Webber, Te Kupe Wharekura, and Pirihira Karena and another, and on Parliamentary Papers Nos. 165, 166, and 192, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
   Ordered, That the Reports of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petitions of G. Marriner and others (2) and G. Marriner be referred to the Government for consideration.
   Ordered, That the Reports of the Native Affairs Committee on Parliamentary Papers Nos. 165, 166, and 192 be referred to the Government.

9. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Kathleen Neilson, S. Graham and others, and the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants of New Zealand Industrial Union of Workers, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

10. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Iron and Steel Industry Bill.

11. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Iron and Steel Industry Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from the Legislative Council.

12. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Greymouth Harbour Board Reconstitution Act, 1937, without amendment.

13. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Iron and Steel Industry Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Endean moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Cobbe, and the Question was proposed, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That," with a view to inserting the following words in lieu thereof: "while recognizing the desirability of establishing on a sound basis a modern iron and steel mill in New Zealand, and believing the best interests of this country will be served if such establishment is conducted by private enterprise, the Bill be referred back to the Government (*a*) for further and more complete investigation by an independent authority, with a view to determining whether the industry can be successfully established in New Zealand; (*b*) to enable it to make available to Parliament and the country all the reports, technical data, and other relative information upon which the Government's proposal to spend £5,000,000 of the people's money in this industry is based; and (*c*) to further explore the possibilities of the industry being established by private enterprise."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question, The House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 45.

Anderton	Herring	Parry
Armstrong	Hodgens	Petrie
Atmore	Howard	Roberts
Barclay	Hultquist	Robertson
Barnes	Jones	Schramm
Barrell	Langstone	Semple
Burnett, C. H.	Lee	Sullivan
Campbell	Lowry	Thorn
Carr	McCombs	Webb
Chapman	McDougall	Williams
Coleman	Mason	Wilson.
Cotterill	Moncur	
Coulter	Nash	*Tellers.*
Cullen	Neilson	O'Brien
Denham	Nordmeyer	Richards.
Fraser	Osborne	

NOES, 18.

Bodkin	Hamilton	Smith
Burnett, T. D.	Holland	Wilkinson
Coates	Holyoake	Wright.
Cobbe	Ransom	*Tellers.*
Dickie	Roy	Broadfoot
Endean	Rushworth	Kyle.
Forbes		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Original Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

And the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Friday morning;

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The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read.

To report progress and move for leave to sit again. *(Honourable Mr. Sullivan.)*

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had made progress in the Iron and Steel Industry Bill, and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until eight minutes after twelve of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 11th Day of March, 1938.

The House met this day at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Captain Rushworth, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Sexton on account of illness in his family.

3. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table in return to an Order of the House:—

   247. Railways and Post and Telegraph Departments: Numbers engaged in various Trades and Number of Apprentices employed, Particulars relating to. (Return to an Order of the House dated 23rd November, 1937.)

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

5. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

6. *Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

7. *Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee.*—Mr. Anderton (for the Honourable Mr. Barnard), from the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee, brought up a Report on the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

8. *Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill.—Ordered*, That the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill be committed next sitting-day.

9. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of W. D. Taylor and another, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petition of W. D. Taylor and another be referred to the Government for consideration.

10. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 was postponed in order to consider Order of the Day No. 3 and pass it through all its stages.

11. *Thames Borough Commissioner Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Thames Borough Commissioner Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Thames Borough Commissioner Act, 1932, and the Thames Harbour Act, 1936."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

12. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Iron and Steel Industry Bill.

13. *Iron and Steel Industry Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee on the Iron and Steel Industry Bill;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 further considered.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 11 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 12 read. Amendment proposed: In lines 10 to 12, to omit the words "(being rights held by the Onakaka Iron and Steel Company, Limited (in liquidation))". *(Honourable Mr. Sullivan.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 13 read. Amendment proposed: In subclause (2) to omit paragraph (*b*), and to substitute the following paragraph:—

"(*b*) The Court shall not take into consideration any act or thing done or omitted to be done by or on behalf of the Crown in relation to any of those privileges, and in particular, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Court shall not take into consideration the fact that, notwithstanding default made by the holders in complying with the terms of those privileges, no proceedings for the forfeiture of those privileges had been taken." *(Honourable Mr. Sullivan.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 14 read and agreed to.

Clause 15 read. Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to insert, after the words "revoked by this Act" in line 34, the words "(whether or not proceedings in respect thereof have been taken under section thirteen hereof)". *(Honourable Mr. Sullivan.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to,

Clauses 16 and 17 read and agreed to.

First and Second Schedules read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Iron and Steel Industry Bill, and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to make Provision for the Establishment by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand of Iron and Steel Works and Subsidiary Undertakings, and for Matters incidental thereto."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And the hour of forty-nine minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

14. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 60.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts of the General Assembly of New Zealand," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 11th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend certain Acts of the General Assembly of New Zealand.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Mason do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

15. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Statutes Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

16. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Pensions Amendment Act, 1937, without amendment.

17. *Native Purposes Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Native Purposes Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Langstone moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now committed.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Laws relating to Natives and Native Land, to adjust certain Claims and Disputes in relation to Native Land, to confer Jurisdiction upon the Native Land Court and the Native Appellate Court, and for other Purposes."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

18. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Finance Bill (No. 2).

19. *Finance Bill (No. 2).*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Finance Bill (No. 2);

The Bill was read a second time accordingly and ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 read and agreed to.
Clause 3 postponed.
Clauses 4 to 16 inclusive read and agreed to.
To report progress and move for leave to sit again. *(Honourable Mr. Nash).*

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had made progress in the Finance Bill (No. 2) and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-nine minutes after ten of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Saturday, the 12th Day of March, 1938.

The House met this day at 10.30 a.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

2. *Papers.*— The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act :—
248. Board of Trade Act, 1919 : The Board of Trade (Onion) Regulations 1938, issued under the.
249. Board of Trade Act, 1919 : The Board of Trade (Wheat and Flour) Regulations 1938, issued under the.
250. Industrial Efficiency Act, 1936 : The Industrial Efficiency Flax Regulations 1938, issued under the.
251. Board of Trade Act, 1919 : The Board of Trade (Fertilizer Price) Regulations 1938, issued under the.

3. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

4. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency ; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 61.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision for safeguarding the Interests of Share-milkers under Share-milking Agreements," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 12th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to make Provision for safeguarding the Interests of Share-milkers under Share-milking Agreements.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Armstrong do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

5. *Share-milking Agreements Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Armstrong, according to Order, presented the Share-milking Agreements Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

6. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 62.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, and its Amendments, and to make Better Provision for the Establishment of Abattoirs by Local Authorities, for the Licensing of Slaughterhouses, for the Inspection of Meat intended for Human Consumption, for the Licensing of Persons carrying on Business as Exporters of Meat, and for Incidental Matters," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 12th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to repeal the Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, and its Amendments, and to make Better Provision for the Establishment of Abattoirs by Local Authorities, for the Licensing of Slaughterhouses, for the Inspection of Meat intended for Human Consumption, for the Licensing of persons carrying on business as exporters of meat, and for incidental Matters.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

7. *Slaughter of Stock and Inspection of Meat Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, according to Order, presented the Slaughter of Stock and Inspection of Meat Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

8. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further order of Business was postponed in order to consider Orders of the Day for Local Bills Nos. 1 and 2, and pass them through all stages.

9. *Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

10. *Dunedin City Corporation (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Dunedin City Corporation (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed forthwith.

11. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill, and the Dunedin City (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill.

12. *Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend the Ashley River Improvement Act, 1925."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

13. *Dunedin City (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill.*—Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Dunedin City (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to confer Further Powers upon the Dunedin City Corporation in respect of the Supply of Water to the Suburbs of Dunedin."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

14. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 was postponed in order to consider Order of the Day No. 2.

15. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Statutes Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General.

16. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 63.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of the following amendments in the Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

Clause 3, subclause (1): To omit from the subclause all words after the word "petroleum" in line 18.

Clause 3, subclause (5): To omit the words "In any year for which" in line 17, and substitute the word "If"; to insert, after the words "from income-tax" in line 18, the words "for any year".

Clause 3: To add the following subclause:—

"(6) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, if any company to which this section applies commences at any time to carry on in New Zealand or elsewhere the business of the refining, distribution, or transportation of petroleum (whether produced by it or not), or any other business not incidental to its business of mining in New Zealand for petroleum, it shall, for the year in which it commences to carry on any such business, be liable to income-tax as if all the receipts theretofore derived by the company, reduced by the sum of the irrecoverable expenditure of the company and the aggregate taxable income of the company in former years, were taxable income of the company."

Clause 4, subclause (1): To omit the words "For the purposes of this section" in line 36 and substitute the words "For the purposes of this and the next succeeding section, and of returns heretofore made in accordance with subsection two of section eight of the principal Act."

Clause 10, subclause (3): To insert, after the words "in accordance with" in line 42, the words "the Rangitaiki Land Drainage Act, 1910, or".

To add the following new clause:—

"4A. (1) In this section—

"The expression 'the return date' means the last day of the period for which a return is required to be made:

"The expression 'the original return date' means, in the case of a taxpayer who has elected to change his return date, the return date immediately prior to the new return date:

"The expression 'the new return date' means, in the case of a taxpayer who has elected to change his return date, the date named by him in his election made in accordance with the last preceding section, or in his last election if he has made more than one change in his return date.

"(2) If, in any case to which the last preceding section applies, the new return date is an earlier date than the original return date, the taxpayer shall furnish a return for the period intervening between the original return date and the new return date in the next succeeding year, and if the new return date is a later date than the original return date, the taxpayer shall furnish a return for the period intervening between the original return date and the new return date in the same year. For the purposes of this subsection, one date shall be earlier than another if it is earlier in the calendar year notwithstanding that it may not be earlier in the financial year. Nothing in this subsection shall apply with respect to any taxpayer who, prior to his making an election to furnish a return for a year ending on a date other than the thirty-first day of March, had not derived any assessable income.

"(3) All returns of income made in accordance with the last preceding subsection shall be deemed to be returns of income derived during the year ending on the thirty-first day of March nearest to the new return date, and the income derived by the taxpayer during that period shall, for the purposes of assessment, be added to any other income derived for the same year, and he shall be assessed and liable for income-tax accordingly.

"(4) If in any case to which this section applies the period intervening between the original return date and the new return date does not include the first day of October next succeeding the original return date, the taxpayer shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section eighty-one of the principal Act, be entitled only:—

"(*a*) To have any losses incurred by him in that period and deductible in accordance with that section deducted from or set off against his assessable income for the two following years and no more; and

"(*b*) To have deducted from or set off against his assessable income derived in that period, any deductible losses incurred by him during the last preceding two years, and no more.

"(5) Where, for the purposes of this section, a taxpayer is assessed for income-tax on a return made for a period less than a year, he shall be entitled by way of special exemptions, only to an amount bearing to the total exemptions to which he would be entitled for a full year the same proportion as the number of days in that period bears to the number of days in a year; and where a taxpayer is assessed on a return or returns for a period more than a year, the deduction to which he is entitled by way of special exemptions shall be proportionately increased.

"(6) Where, for the purposes of this section, a taxpayer is assessed for income-tax on a return made for a period that is less or greater than a year, the rate of the tax shall be determined as on the taxable income for a year, and for the purposes of this subsection the taxable income of a taxpayer shall be deemed to have been derived at a uniform daily rate throughout the period for which the return has been made.

"(7) Where a taxpayer has been assessed for income-tax on a return made to any date other than the thirty-first day of March in any year, the income derived by that taxpayer shall be deemed to have been assessed for tax to that date, and not to the thirty-first day of March nearest to that date.

"(8) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-two."

Government House,
Wellington, 12th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of amendments in the Bill to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the said Resolution, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

17. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Statutes Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

18. *Finance Bill (No. 2).*—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee on the Finance Bill (No. 2);

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Postponed clause 3 considered. Amendments proposed: To omit from subclause (1) all the words after the word "petroleum" in line 18; in subclause (5) to omit the words "in any year for which" in line 17, and to substitute the word "If"; to insert, after the words "from income-tax" in line 18, the words "for any year"; to add the following new subclause:—

"(6) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, if any company to which this section applies commences at any time to carry on in New Zealand or elsewhere the business of the refining, distribution, or transportation of petroleum (whether produced by it or not), or any other business not incidental to its business of mining in New Zealand for petroleum, it shall, for the year in which it commences to carry on any such business, be liable to income-tax as if all the receipts theretofore derived by the company, reduced by the sum of the irrecoverable expenditure of the company and the aggregate taxable income of the company in former years, were taxable income of the company." *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

The following new clause was read a first and a second time and added to the Bill:—

"4A. (1) In this section—

"The expression 'the return date' means the last day of the period for which a return is required to be made:

"The expression 'the original return date' means, in the case of a taxpayer who has elected to change his return date, the return date immediately prior to the new return date:

"The expression 'the new return date' means, in the case of a taxpayer who has elected to change his return date, the date named by him in his election made in accordance with the last preceding section, or in his last election if he has made more than one change in his return date.

"(2) If, in any case to which the last preceding section applies, the new return date is an earlier date than the original return date, the taxpayer shall furnish a return for the period intervening between the original return date and the new return date in the next succeeding year, and if the new return date is a later date than the original return date, the taxpayer shall furnish a return for the period intervening between the original return date and the new return date in the same year. For the purposes of this subsection, one date shall be earlier than another if it is earlier in the calendar year notwithstanding that it may not be earlier in the financial year. Nothing in this subsection shall apply with respect to any taxpayer who, prior to his making an election to furnish a return for a year ending on a date other than the thirty-first day of March, had not derived any assessable income.

"(3) All returns of income made in accordance with the last preceding subsection shall be deemed to be returns of income derived during the year ending on the thirty-first day of March nearest to the new return date, and the income derived by the taxpayer during that period shall, for the purposes of assessment, be added to any other income derived for the same year, and he shall be assessed and liable for income-tax accordingly.

"(4) If in any case to which this section applies the period intervening between the original return date and the new return date does not include the first day of October next succeeding the original return date, the taxpayer shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section eighty-one of the principal Act, be entitled only:—

"(*a*) To have any losses incurred by him in that period and deductible in accordance with that section deducted from or set off against his assessable income for the two following years and no more; and

"(*b*) To have deducted from or set off against his assessable income derived in that period, any deductible losses incurred by him during the last preceding two years, and no more.

"(5) Where, for the purposes of this section, a taxpayer is assessed for income-tax on a return made for a period less than a year, he shall be entitled, by way of special exemptions, only to an amount bearing to the total exemptions to which he would be entitled for a full year the same proportion as the number of days in that period bears to the number of days in a year; and where a taxpayer is assessed on a return or returns for a period more than a year, the deduction to which he is entitled by way of special exemptions shall be proportionately increased.

"(6) Where, for the purposes of this section, a taxpayer is assessed for income-tax on a return made for a period that is less or greater than a year, the rate of the tax shall be determined as on the taxable income for a year, and for the purposes of this subsection the taxable income of a taxpayer shall be deemed to have been derived at a uniform daily rate throughout the period for which the return has been made.

"(7) Where a taxpayer has been assessed for income-tax on a return made to any date other than the thirty-first day of March in any year, the income derived by that taxpayer shall be deemed to have been assessed for tax to that date, and not to the thirty-first day of March nearest to that date.

"(8) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-two." *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Finance Bill (No. 2), and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the report be considered forthwith.

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Report be agreed to.

With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Motion be withdrawn.

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be recommitted.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 4 read. Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the words "For the purposes of this section" in line 36, and to substitute the words "For the purposes of this and the next succeeding section, and of returns heretofore made in accordance with subsection two of section eight of the principal Act". *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 10 read. Amendment proposed: In subclause (3) to insert, after the words "in accordance with" in line 42, the words "the Rangitaiki Land Drainage Act, 1910, or". *(Honourable Mr. Nash.)*

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

To report the Bill with further amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had reconsidered the Finance Bill (No. 2) and had made further amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-eight minutes after twelve of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Monday, the 14th Day of March, 1938.

The House met this day at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committees to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That the Native Affairs Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. Barnes, *Ordered*, That the Lands Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House, and also on Tuesday, the 15th Day of March during the sitting of the House.

2. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 64.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Sale, Reservation, and other Disposition of certain Reserves, Crown Lands, Endowments, and other Lands, to validate certain Transactions, and to make Provision in respect of certain other Matters," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 14th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to provide for the Sale, Reservation, and other Disposition of certain Reserves, Crown Lands, Endowments, and other Lands, to validate certain Transactions, and to make Provision in respect of certain other Matters.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Langstone do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

3. *Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Langstone, according to Order, presented the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Lands Committee.

4. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

252. Defence Act, 1909, Order in Council issued under the, amending the Financial Instructions and Allowance Regulations for the New Zealand Military Forces.

5. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

6. *Labour Bills Committee.*—Mr. McKeen, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Mate Marsich, a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Chapman, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Inez G. Finlayson, Eva M. Capper, and W. C. Sarich, a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Goldfields and Mines Committee on the Petitions of Inez G. Finlayson and Eva M. Capper be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Goldfields and Mines Committee on the Petition of W. C. Sarich be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Mr. Moncur, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

8. *Agricultural and Pastoral Committee.*—Mr. Roberts, from the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. T. D. Burnett, from the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

9. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 65.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of the following amendments in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts of the General Assembly of New Zealand," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

"*Deaths by Accidents Compensation.*

"6A. (1) In any action under the Deaths by Accidents Compensation Act, 1908, damages may be awarded in respect of the amount of actual pecuniary benefit which the person or persons for whose benefit the action is brought might reasonably have expected to enjoy if the deceased person had not been killed, notwithstanding that any such person or persons may not have been either wholly or partially dependent upon the deceased person prior to his death.

"(2) Section six of the Law Reform Act, 1936, is hereby amended by inserting the words "medical and" before the words "funeral expenses".

"(3) The foregoing provisions of this section shall apply whether the cause of action arose before or after the date of the passing of this Act, but shall not affect the rights of any person under any final judgment given by any Court before that date.

"*Law Reform.*

"15A. (1) Where by virtue of Part I of the Law Reform Act, 1936, a cause of action survives for the benefit of the estate of a deceased person, the damages recoverable for the benefit of the estate of that person shall not include any damages for his pain or suffering, or for any bodily or mental harm suffered by him, or for the curtailment of his expectation of life.

"(2) The foregoing provisions of this section shall apply whether the cause of action arose before or after the date of the passing of this Act, but shall not affect the rights of any person under any final judgment given by any Court before that date."

Government House,
Wellington, 14th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of amendments in the Bill to amend certain Acts of the General Assembly of New Zealand.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the said Resolution, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

10. *Share-milking Agreements Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Share-milking Agreements Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Armstrong moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of Messages from the Legislative Council.

11. *Messages from the Legislative Council.*—Messages from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Iron and Steel Industry Act, 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Native Purposes Act, 1937, the Thames Borough Commissioner Amendment Act, 1937, and the Finance Act (No. 2), 1937, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bills intituled the Ashley River Improvement Amendment Act, 1937, and the Dunedin City (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Act, 1937, without amendment.

12. *Share-milking Agreements Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Share-milking Agreements Bill be now read a second time.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

13. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, Order of Business No. 9 was again taken.

14. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

15. *Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill.*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill be read a second time presently.

And the hour of twenty-eight minutes after five of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.

And the hour of half after seven of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

16. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Share-milking Agreements Bill and the Statutes Amendment Bill.

17. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Statutes Amendment 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 read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

18. *Share-milking Agreements Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Share-milking Agreements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

19. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Share-milking Agreements Bill and the Statutes Amendment Bill.

20. *Share-milking Agreements Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 read and agreed to.

Clause 3 read. Amendment proposed: To add to subclause (3) the words "unless such terms and conditions have first been submitted to and approved by an inspector". *(Mr. Sexton.)*

Amendment, with the leave of the Committee, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 8 inclusive read and agreed to.

Schedule read.

Motion made, That the Question be now put. *(Mr. McDougall.)*

The Chairman ruled the Motion out of order as the matter had not been fully discussed.

Schedule agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Share-milking Agreements Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

The Honourable Mr. Armstrong moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a third time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

On motion of Mr. Sexton, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That this Debate be resumed presently.

21. *Statutes Amendment Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 12 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 13 read.

To report progress and move for leave to sit again. *(Honourable Mr. Fraser.)*

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had made progress in the Statutes Amendment Bill, and had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

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

22. *Extension of Sitting.*—With the leave of the House, the sitting was extended beyond the hour of half after ten of the clock p.m. in order to further consider the Share-milking Agreements Bill and the Statutes Amendment Bill.

23. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill.

24. *Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill;

The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed presently.

25. *Share-milking Agreements Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Share-milking Agreements Bill be now read a third 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 read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to make Provision for Safeguarding the Interests of Share-milkers under Share-milking Agreements."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

26. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee on the Statutes Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

27. *Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

28. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Statutes Amendment Bill and the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill.

29. *Statutes Amendment Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

Clause 13 further considered and agreed to.

Clause 14 to 22 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 23 read. Amendments proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the words "motor-vehicle" in line 24, and to substitute the word "tractor"; to omit the words "designed exclusively for the purposes of traction and not for the carriage thereon of passengers (other than the driver) or of goods, and is" in lines 25 to 27. *(Honourable Mr. Mason.)*

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 24 to 28 inclusive read and agreed to.

The following new clauses were read a first and a second time and added to the Bill:—

"*Deaths by Accidents Compensation.*

"6A. (1) In any action under the Deaths by Accidents Compensation Act, 1908, damages may be awarded in respect of the amount of actual pecuniary benefit which the person or persons for whose benefit the action is brought might reasonably have expected to enjoy if the deceased person had not been killed, notwithstanding that any such person or persons may not have been either wholly or partially dependent upon the deceased person prior to his death.

"(2) Section six of the Law Reform Act, 1936, is hereby amended by inserting the words "medical and" before the words "funeral expenses".

"(3) The foregoing provisions of this section shall apply whether the cause of action arose before or after the date of the passing of this Act, but shall not affect the rights of any person under any final judgment given by any Court before that date.

"*Law Reform.*

"15A. (1) Where by virtue of Part I of the Law Reform Act, 1936, a cause of action survives for the benefit of the estate of a deceased person, the damages recoverable for the benefit of the estate of that person shall not include any damages for his pain or suffering, or for any bodily or mental harm suffered by him, or for the curtailment of his expectation of life.

"(2) The foregoing provisions of this section shall apply whether the cause of action arose before or after the date of the passing of this Act, but shall not affect the rights of any person under any final judgment given by any Court before that date."

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had gone through the Statutes Amendment Bill, and had made amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read and agreed to.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to amend certain Acts of the General Assembly of New Zealand."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

30. *Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 26 inclusive read and agreed to.
Clause 27 struck out by the Lands Committee.
Clauses 28 and 29 read and agreed to.
Clause 30 struck out by the Lands Committee.
Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

Mr. Howard also reported that the Committee had gone through the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill, and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the Title be "An Act to provide for the Sale, Reservation, and other Disposition of certain Reserves, Crown Lands, Endowments, and other Lands, to validate certain Transactions, and to make Provision in respect of certain other Matters."

Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit until two minutes after eleven of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 15th Day of March, 1938.

PRAYERS.

1. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Statutes Amendment Act, 1937, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

2. *Statutes Amendment Bill.—Ordered*, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Statutes Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the amendment be agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that this House has agreed to its amendment in the said Bill.

3. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)

4. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed in order to consider Notices of Motion Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive.

5. *Education Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That the name of the Honourable Mr. Cobbe be discharged from the Education Committee, and that of Mr. Dickie substituted therefor.

6. *Education Committee (Recess Sittings).*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That the Education Committee have power to sit during the recess and for fourteen days after the commencement of the next session at such times as the Committee may see fit, with power to consider the principles and provisions of the Education Amendment Bill to be introduced this session, both generally and in relation to the principal Act: the Committee to report to the House before the expiration of fourteen days after the commencement of next session, and to have power meantime, where it thinks fit so to do, to advise the Government from time to time on any of the aforementioned matters.

7. *Revocation of Reservation over Area in Makotuku Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 243 for the revocation of the reservation for recreation purposes over a reserve in the Town of Ohakune Extension No. 1, Makotuku Survey District, Wellington Land District.

8. *Revocation of Reservation over Part of Mataura Domain.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 244 for the revocation of the reservation over part of the Mataura Domain, Southland Land District.

9. *Reservation of certain Lands as Endowments for Primary Education.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 245 for the reservation of certain lands in the North Auckland and Gisborne Land Districts as endowments for primary education.

10. *Message from the Legislative Council.*—Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Share-milking Agreements Act, 1937, and the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1937, without amendment.

11. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—

253. Harbour Boards: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Harbour Boards for the Year 1936 [Auckland, Bay of Islands, Bluff, Clutha, Collingwood, Coromandel, Foxton, Gisborne, Greymouth, Half-moon Bay, Hicks Bay (Matakaoa County Council), Hokianga, Hokitika, Kaikoura (County Council), Kawhia, Lyttelton, Mangawai, Mokau, Motueka, Napier, Nelson, New Plymouth, Oamaru, Okarito, Opunake, Otago, Patea, Raglan, Riverton, Takaka, Timaru, Tokomaru Bay, Tolaga Bay, Waimakariri, Wairau, Wairoa, Waitara, Wanganui, Wellington, Whakatane, Whangarei, Whangaroa, and Whangateau-Omaha (Rodney County Council)].

254 Harbour Boards: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Harbour Boards for the Year 1935 [Collingwood, Foxton, Motueka, and Raglan].

255. Customs Act, 1913, Customs Import Prohibition Order 1938, No. 2, made under the, prohibiting the Importation of Used or Second-hand Saddlery and Harness, and Used or Second-hand Cattle and other Animal Rugs and Covers.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House :—

256. Sea Fisheries Investigation Committee, Report of the.

Ordered, That Paper No. 256 be printed.

12. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business No. 8 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day.

13. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 66.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 15th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Parry do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

14. *Municipal Corporations Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Municipal Corporations Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

15. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows :—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 67.*

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Education Act, 1914," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,
Wellington, 15th March, 1938.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency be referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. Howard accordingly reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this Committee recommends that provision be made in accordance with the recommendation contained in His Excellency's Message transmitting draft of a Bill to amend the Education Act, 1914.

And the Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Fraser do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

16. *Education Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, according to Order, presented the Education Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

17. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Wright, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

18. *Education Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Carr, from the Education Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of J. S. Mackenzie, Mary Schultz, and Alma B. Davies, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Education Committee, on the Petition of Alma B. Davies be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Mr. McCombs (for the Reverend Mr. Carr), from the Education Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bodkin, from the Education Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

19. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Mere te Iwingaro Wairama and others, and Rutene Tuhi and others (2), a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lowry, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

20. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Cotterill, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

21. *Defence Committee.*—Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Hargest, from the Defence Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

22. *Public Health Committee.*—Mr. Anderton (for Dr. McMillan), from the Public Health Committee, brought up a final Report, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Anderton, from the Public Health Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

23. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Marcellina Nolan, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petition of Marcellina Nolan be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

24. *Public Accounts Committee.*—Mr. Howard, from the Public Accounts Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Broadfoot, from the Public Accounts Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

25. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Barnes, from the Lands Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of E. C. Banks, J. B. Jordan and another, W. C. Smyth, and H. C. Wheeler, and a Final Report, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Lands Committee on the Petition of W. C. Smyth be referred to the Government for inquiry.

26. *Schedule of Business.*—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the Schedule of Business of the House of Representatives, and the Bills passed and lapsed in both Houses during the Session.

On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, the same was ordered to be printed.

27. *Adjournment.*—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. on Friday, the 25th day of March, 1938.

And then the House, having continued to sit until half after three of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair until the ringing of the bell.

On the ringing of the bell at five minutes after four of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

28. *Message.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage, one of His Majesty's Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor-General, signed by His Excellency; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General. *Message No. 68.*

The Bills intituled—

The Greymouth Harbour Board Reconstitution Act, 1937,
The Pensions Amendment Act, 1937,
The Iron and Steel Industry Act, 1937,
The Native Purposes Act, 1937,
The Thames Borough Commissioner Amendment Act, 1937,
The Finance Act (No. 2), 1937,
The Statutes Amendment Act, 1937,
The Share-milking Agreements Act, 1937,
The Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1937,
The Ashley River Improvement Amendment Act, 1937, and
The Dunedin City (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Act, 1937,

as finally passed by the Honourable the Legislative Council and the House of Representatives, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, he has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bills.

Government House,
Wellington, 15th March, 1938.

29. *Adjournment.*—The Right Honourable Mr. Savage moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow :—

AYES, 38.

Armstrong	Lowry	Osborne
Atmore	Lyon	Parry
Barclay	McCombs	Roberts
Barnes	McDougall	Robertson
Bodkin	McKeen	Savage
Burnett, C. H.	Martin	Schramm
Campbell	Mason	Sexton
Coulter	Moncur	Sullivan
Forbes	Munro	Thorn
Fraser	Nash	Williams.
Hamilton	Neilson	*Tellers.*
Hunter	Ngata	Denham
Kyle	Nordmeyer	Wilson.

NOES, 21.

Anderton	Cotterill	O'Brien
Broadfoot	Holland	Ransom
Burnett, T. D.	Howard	Richards
Carr	Hultquist	Webb.
Chapman	Langstone	*Tellers.*
Christie	Lee	Roy
Coates	Meachen	Wright.
Coleman		

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit until forty-seven minutes after four of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

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SCHEDULE OF PROCLAMATIONS.

Further Proroguing the General Assembly.

[L.S.] GALWAY, Governor-General.

A PROCLAMATION.

To the LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS of the Dominion of New Zealand, and the Members elected to serve in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES of the said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the General Assembly of the said Dominion, at the City of Wellington, on the twelfth day of the month of August, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you: GREETING.

WHEREAS on the tenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, the General Assembly of New Zealand was prorogued to the twelfth day of the month of August, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, at which time you were held constrained to appear: NOW KNOW YE that for divers causes and considerations I have thought fit to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you that on Thursday, the second day of September next, you meet in Parliament, at the City of Wellington, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of the said Dominion of New Zealand, and therein to do as may seem necessary.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of that Dominion, this 10th day of August, 1937.

W. E. PARRY, Minister of Internal Affairs.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Meeting of the General Assembly for the Despatch of Business.

[L.S.] GALWAY, Governor-General.

A PROCLAMATION.

To the LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS of the Dominion of New Zealand, and the Members elected to serve in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES of the said Dominion, summoned and called to a Meeting of the General Assembly of the said Dominion, at the City of Wellington, on the second day of the month of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you: GREETING.

WHEREAS the Meeting of the General Assembly stands prorogued to the second day of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven: Nevertheless, for certain causes and considerations I have thought fit further to prorogue the same to Thursday, the ninth day of the month of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, so that neither you nor any of you, on the said second day of September, at the City of Wellington, are to be held constrained to appear; commanding and by the tenor of these presents enjoining you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on Thursday, the ninth day of the month of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Bowen Street, in the City of Wellington, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of the said Dominion of New Zealand and therein to do as may seem necessary.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of that Dominion, this 19th day of August, 1937.

M. J. SAVAGE.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Proroguing the General Assembly.

[L.S.] GALWAY, Governor-General.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Parliament holden in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand," it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor may, at his pleasure, prorogue the General Assembly of New Zealand:

And whereas by an Order in Council of the ninth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and seven, His Majesty was pleased to approve the draft of a Proclamation substituting the title of the Dominion of New Zealand for that of the Colony of New Zealand as the designation of the said Colony:

Now, therefore, I, George Vere Arundell, Viscount Galway, the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the hereinbefore-recited power and authority, and of every other power and authority in this behalf enabling me, do hereby proclaim and declare that I do this day prorogue the General Assembly of New Zealand until Thursday, the ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, and the said General Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of that Dominion, this 16th day of March, 1938.

W. E. PARRY, Minister of Internal Affairs.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

LIST OF MEMBERS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NEW ZEALAND.

SECOND SESSION—TWENTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT—1937-38.

SPEAKER—HON. WILLIAM EDWARD BARNARD.

Name.	Electoral District.
Anderton, William Theophilus	Eden.
Armstrong, Hon. Hubert Thomas	Christchurch East.
Atmore, Harry	Nelson.
Barclay, James Gillispie	Marsden.
Barnard, Hon. William Edward	Napier.
Barnes, David	Waitaki.
Barrell, Charles Abraham	Hamilton.
Bodkin, William Alexander	Central Otago.
Broadfoot, Walter James	Waitomo.
Burnett, Charles Harris	Tauranga.
Burnett, Thomas David	Temuka.
Campbell, Archibald	Chalmers.
Carr, Rev. Clyde Leonard	Timaru.
Chapman, Charles Henry	Wellington North.
Christie, Hubert Maxwell	Waipawa.
Coates, Right Hon. Joseph Gordon	Kaipara.
Cobbe, Hon. John George	Oroua.
Coleman, David William	Gisborne.
Cotterill, Joseph Bernard Francis	Wanganui.
Coulter, Robert	Waikato.
Cullen, Edward Lutterell	Hawke's Bay.
Denham, William Mortimer Clarence	Invercargill.
Dickie, Harold Galt	Patea.
Endean, William Phillips	Parnell.
Forbes, Right Hon. George William	Hurunui.
Fraser, Hon. Peter	Wellington Central.
Hamilton, Hon. Adam	Wallace.
Hargest, Col. James	Awarua.
Henare, Tau	Northern Maori.
Herring, Horace Edgar	Mid-Canterbury.
Hodgens, Joseph	Palmerston.
Holland, Sidney George	Christchurch North.
Holyoake, Keith Jacka	Motueka.
Howard, Edwin John	Christchurch South.
Hultquist, Axel Gordon	Bay of Plenty.
Hunter, Clifford Lorrie	Manawatu.
Jones, Hon. Frederick	Dunedin South.

Name.	Electoral District.
Kyle, Herbert Seton Stewart	Riccarton.
Langstone, Hon. Frank	Waimarino.
Lee, John Alexander	Grey Lynn.
Lowry, Leonard George	Otaki.
Lyon, William John	Waitemata.
McCombs, Terence Henderson	Lyttelton.
McDougall, David	Mataura.
McKeen, Robert	Wellington South.
McMillan, Dr. David Gervan	Dunedin West.
Martin, Hon. William Lee	Raglan.
Mason, Hon. Henry Greathead Rex	Auckland Suburbs.
Meachen, Edwin Purcell	Wairau.
Moncur, Alexander Francis	Rotorua.
Munro, James Wright	Dunedin North.
Nash, Hon. Walter	Hutt.
Neilson, Peter	Dunedin Central.
Ngata, Hon. Sir Apirana Turupu, Kt.	Eastern Maori.
Nordmeyer, Rev. Arnold Henry	Oamaru.
O'Brien, James	Westland.
Osborne, Arthur George	Manukau.
Parry, Hon. William Edward	Auckland Central.
Petrie, Charles Robert	Hauraki.
Polson, William John	Stratford.
Ransom, Hon. Sir Ethelbert Alfred, K.C.M.G.	Pahiatua.
Ratana, Haami Tokouru	Western Maori.
Richards, Arthur Shapton	Roskill.
Roberts, Benjamin	Wairarapa.
Robertson, John	Masterton.
Roy, James Alexander McLean	Clutha.
Rushworth, Captain Harold Montague	Bay of Islands.
Savage, Right Hon. Michael Joseph	Auckland West.
Schramm, Frederick William	Auckland East.
Semple, Hon. Robert	Wellington East.
Sexton, Arthur Clifton Axford	Franklin.
Smith, Sydney George	New Plymouth.
Sullivan, Hon. Daniel Giles	Avon.
Thorn, James	Thames.
Tirikatene, Eruera Tihema	Southern Maori.
Webb, Hon. Patrick Charles	Buller.
Wilkinson, Charles Anderson	Egmont.
Williams, Charles Morgan	Kaiapoi.
Wilson, George Hamish Ormond	Rangitikei.
Wright, Robert Alexander	Wellington Suburbs.

SCHEDULE OF PETITIONS HELD OVER FROM PREVIOUS SESSIONS AND AGAIN REFERRED TO SELECT COMMITTEES DURING SESSION.

FROM WHOM PRESENTED.	DATE OF PRESENTATION.	ABSTRACT OF PRAYER.	NO. OF SIGNATURES	BY WHOM PRESENTED.	COMMITTEE REFERRED TO.	DATE OF REPORT.
296. Anaru, Te Hikonga, and 25 others	Oct. 14, 1936	For road access to certain lands bordering on the Ruamahanga River	26	Mr. Roberts ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
193. Atareria Tikitiki Eruera and 2 others	July 31, 1936	That the Native Land Court be authorized to investigate the position of Harold Edwards, with a view to permitting Atareria Tikitiki to alienate her interests in certain property in favour of the said Harold Edwards	3	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
24. Barnes, H.	Aug. 30, 1935	That he be granted compensation for alleged wrongful dismissal from the Public Service	1	Mr. Richards ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
315. Bennett, Alice R.	Oct. 29, 1936	For a pension or other relief in consideration of her late husband's war service	1	Mr. T. D. Burnett	Defence	Held over.
209. Black, W.	Aug. 14, 1936	For the cancellation of the second mortgage on his property ..	1	Mr. Barnes ..	Public Petitions A to L	Oct. 27, 1937.
225. Blinkhorne, J. B.	Aug. 26, 1936	For reinstatement in the Railways Department	1	Mr. Hodgens ..	Public Petitions A to L	Oct. 27, 1937.
285. Chaffey, H. F.	Oct. 7, 1936	That he be compensated for work performed in connection with the asbestos deposits at Upper Takaka	1	Mr. Holyoake ..	Goldfields and Mines ..	Held over.
288. Chandler, Ada I.	Oct. 7, 1936	For compensation for injuries allegedly received whilst travelling on the New Zealand Government Railways	1	Mr. Hodgens ..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 4, 1937.
223. Chillingworth, Eva M. ..	Aug. 25, 1936	For inquiry and compensation in respect of her service as a school-teacher under the Education Department	1	Mr. Holland ..	Education	Nov. 17, 1937.
152. Cockburn, W. R.	June, 2, 1936	That he be granted a compassionate allowance in consideration of inventions allegedly perfected and adopted by other interests for the benefit of the dairying and kauri-gum industries	1	Mr. Jordan ..	Agricultural and Pastoral	Nov. 11, 1937.
271. Cornelius, J., and 788 others ..	Sept. 30, 1936	For the reinstatement of ex-Constable Scandrett in the Police Force	789	Mr. Coleman ..	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Nov. 18, 1937.
293. Cosgrove, Ethel	Oct. 13, 1936	For an allowance in lieu of the widow's pension	1	Mr. Lyon ..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 10, 1937.
257. Coward, W.	Sept. 16, 1936	For a rehearing of the case following a motor accident in which his motor-truck was involved, or that the previous conviction be quashed	1	Right Hon. Mr. Savage	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 10, 1937.
303. Cruickshank, J. A.	Oct. 21, 1936	For an annual allowance or compensation in consideration of his services as a member of the Police Force	1	Mr. Hodgens ..	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Nov. 18, 1937.
255. Dalhousie, R. H.	Sept. 15, 1936	For compensation for injuries allegedly sustained while employed by the Public Works Department at Lake Waikaremoana	1	Mr. Coleman ..	Public Petitions A to L	Oct. 27, 1937.
301. Dan Te Koeti	Oct. 23, 1934	That authority be granted to the Native Land Court to investigate the position of the owners and others interested in Sections 781 and 782, Blocks X and XIV, and Sections 892 and 895, Block VIII, Bruce Bay Survey District	1	Hon. Mr. Hamilton	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
314. de la Perrelle, L. G., and 295 others	Oct. 29, 1936	That a slaughtering, freezing, and export license be granted to Miss C. N. Thomson and Miss C. E. Thomson, of Winton	296	Colonel Hargest ..	Agricultural and Pastoral	Nov. 11, 1937.
302. Dillon, Mary	Oct. 21, 1936	For remission of portion of arrears of rent in respect of a property, being part of the Rosewill Settlement	1	Mr. Barnes ..	Lands	Oct. 20, 1937.
214. Dineen, J.	Aug. 19, 1936	For permission to complete a contract in connection with licensed railway refreshment-rooms at Ashburton	1	Hon. Mr. Armstrong	Public Petitions A to L	Oct. 27, 1937.
193. Eruera, Atareria Tikitiki, and 2 others	July, 31, 1936	That the Native Land Court be authorized to investigate the position of Harold Edwards, with a view to permitting Atareria Tikitiki to alienate her interests in certain property in favour of the said Harold Edwards	3	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

SCHEDULE OF PETITIONS HELD OVER, ETC.—*continued.*

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204. Gamble, V. J., and 4 others ..	Nov. 1, 1932	For recognition of back service for the purpose of superannuation	5	Mr. Kyle ..	Education	Held over.
281. Gregory, C. E.	Oct. 6, 1936	For compensation and re-employment in the Railways Department	1	Mr. Denham ..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 4, 1937.
129. Haki Karawana	May, 14, 1936	For relief *in re* Lot 39, Parish of Matata	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
196. Hami Kaata Te Ao	Aug. 5, 1936	For compensation in respect of land of which he has allegedly been dispossessed	1	Mr. Coleman ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
242. Hape, Te Rauna, and 24 others	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* Patutahi Block	25	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
243. Hape, Te Rauna, and 202 others	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* Kauhouroa Block	203	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
244. Hape, Te Rauna, and 64 others	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* Hereheretau A Block	65	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
254. Hart, J. A.	Sept. 15, 1936	For additional compensation for losses sustained in connection with the construction of the Milford Sounds Hostel	1	Mr. O'Brien ..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 4, 1937.
272. Hawke, H.	Sept. 30, 1936	That his salary as an officer of the Post and Telegraph Department be reinstated as from date of degrading, and that he be granted the increments and grading to which he would have been entitled had such degrading not taken place	1	Mr. C. H. Burnett..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 10, 1937.
310. Hone Poputene and 121 others	Oct. 28, 1936	That the Native Land Court be empowered to reinvestigate the title to Mangahauini Block	122	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
305. Hovell, H. K.	Oct. 21, 1936	For the enactment of legislation validating the purchase of certain lands adjacent to Tapatu-Waitangirua 2A Block	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
286. Irihei Rititia	Oct. 7, 1936	That he be granted certain shares in the Pahautea and other Blocks situated in the Taupo District	1	Mr. Moncur ..	Native Affairs ..	Withdrawn, Nov. 4, 1937.
206. Jamieson, R. E.	Aug. 12, 1936	That his total period of service with the Education and Mines Departments be counted for superannuation purposes on payment of back contributions	1	Mr. Coulter ..	Public Petitions A to L.	Oct. 27, 1937.
308. Karaitiana Mutu	Oct. 28, 1936	For relief *in re* Pouporutahi and Matatuowhiro Blocks ..	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
309. Karaka Wiremu and another ..	Oct. 28, 1936	For relief *in re* Ruangarehu Block	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
129. Karawana Haki	May 14, 1936	For relief *in re* Lot 39, Parish of Matata	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
301. Koeti, Dan Te	Oct. 23, 1934	That authority be granted to the Native Land Court to investigate the position of the owners and others interested in Sections 781 and 782, Blocks X and XIV, and Sections 892 and 895, Block VIII, Bruce Bay Survey District	1	Hon. Mr. Hamilton	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
192. Kostanich, M.	July 30, 1936	For additional compensation in the form of a weekly allowance in respect of injuries received while in the employ of the Public Works Department	1	Hon. Mr. Parry ..	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Oct. 27, 1937.
78. Macintosh, Jessie J. M. ..	April 21, 1936	That her total period of service with the Education Department be counted for superannuation purposes on payment of back contributions	1	Mr. McCombs ..	Education	Held over.

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294. Marriner, G., and 92 others ..	Oct. 14, 1936	For inquiry into their claims for compensation in respect of the Arankuuku Block	93	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 10, 1938.
300. Marriner, G.	Oct. 16, 1936	For relief in regard to Arankuuku Block and other matters concerning confiscated lands	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 10, 1938.
292. Marryatt, E.	Oct. 13, 1936	That he be allowed to continue in his present position until the completion of forty years' service	1	Mr. Roberts ..	Education	Nov. 9, 1937.
241. Mere Te Iwingaro Wairama and 22 others	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* East Coast Commissioner	23	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 15, 1938.
308. Mutu Karaitiana	Oct. 28, 1936	For relief *in re* Poupoutahi and Matatuowhiro Blocks ..	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
306. McCardle, K. J. B.	Oct. 27, 1936	For compensation for loss allegedly sustained owing to the belated publication of a bankruptcy dividend	1	Mr. Petrie ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Oct. 20, 1937.
104. Ngahina Tiwai Pomare and 2 others	April 29, 1936	For inquiry into the disposition of the estate of the late Wiremu Naera Pomare	3	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
163. Ngamahanga, Te Puehu ..	June 6, 1936	For an investigation by the Native Land Court of the lease of Waione 3B Block and for compensation	1	Mr. Broadfoot (for Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata)	Native Affairs (direct)	Held over.
304. Ngohengohe Taera	Oct. 21, 1936	For payment of rent and royalties allegedly due in respect of the Kahariki Gravel Reserve	1	Mr. Lyon (for Mr. Lee)	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
296. Overton, W. H., and 368 others	Oct. 18, 1934	That the Borough of Queenstown be excluded from the recently formed Power Board area	369	Mr. Bodkin ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
68. Parapara, Rangiherea, and 5 others	April 16, 1936	For relief *in re* Te Whetumatarau Block	6	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
14. Payne, J.	Aug. 29, 1935	For an inquiry into the affairs of a motion-picture company of which he is a shareholder	1	Mr. Barnard ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Withdrawn Nov. 18, 1937.
299. Pire, Rangihuna, and 5 others..	Oct. 15, 1936	That the report and recommendations of a Royal Commission of 1880 in regard to confiscated lands and other matters be given effect to	6	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 8, 1937.
104. Pomare, Ngahina Tiwai, and 2 others	April 29, 1936	For inquiry into the disposition of the estate of the late Wiremu Naera Pomare	3	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
310. Poputene, Hone, and 121 others	Oct. 28, 1936	That the Native Land Court be empowered to reinvestigate the title to Mangahauini Block	122	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
68. Rangiherea Parapara and 5 others	April 16, 1936	For relief *in re* Te Whetumatarau Block	6	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
299. Rangihuna Pire and 5 others ..	Oct. 15, 1936	That the report and recommendations of a Royal Commission of 1880 in regard to confiscated lands and other matters be given effect to	6	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 8, 1937.
239. Ratana Tahupotiki Wiremu ..	Nov. 25, 1932	That the Treaty of Waitangi be embodied in the statute-book	1	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
42. Rickard, H. J. S., and 8 others	April 2, 1936	For amendment of the Pharmacy Act, 1908	9	Mr. Chapman ..	Health	Held over.
286. Rititia Iribei	Oct. 7, 1936	That he be granted certain shares in the Pahautea and other blocks situated in the Taupo District	1	Mr. Moncur ..	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
231. Rutene Tuhi and 12 others ..	Aug. 27, 1936	For an inquiry and assistance *in re* East Coast Commissioner ..	13	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs (direct)	March 15, 1938.
118. Simpson, T. F.	May 5, 1936	For compensation or other relief for loss of property allegedly seized under a warrant of distress for rent	1	Mr. Wright ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 11, 1937.

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119. Stirling, W.	Oct. 12, 1932	For recognition of back service for the purpose of superannuation	1	Mr. Kyle ..	Education	Held over.
304. Taera, Ngohengohe	Oct. 21, 1936	For payment of rent and royalties allegedly due in respect of the Kahariki Gravel Reserve	1	Mr. Lyon (for Mr. Lee)	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
312. Tarcha, te Roera, and another	Oct. 29, 1936	For the return of Tatara-a-Kina Block to the original owners, or for compensation in lieu thereof	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
242. Taylor, E. S.	Oct. 9, 1934	For amendment of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1922, as will enable him to now apply for compensation on account of injuries allegedly sustained in the course of his employment	1	Mr. Webb ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Withdrawn Dec. 2, 1937.
196. Te Ao, Hami Kaata	Aug. 5, 1936	For compensation in respect of land of which he has allegedly been dispossessed	1	Mr. Coleman ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
296. Te Hikonga Anaru and 25 others	Oct. 14, 1936	For road access to certain lands bordering on the Ruamahanga River	26	Mr. Roberts ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
213. Te Keepa Wharekura ..	Oct. 24, 1935	For relief *in re* Manutahi A 26 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 10, 1938.
163. Te Puehu Ngamahanga ..	June 6, 1936	For an investigation by the Native Land Court of the lease of Waione 3B Block and for compensation	1	Mr. Broadfoot (for Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata)	Native Affairs (direct)	Held over.
242. Te Rauna Hape and 24 others	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* Patutahi Block	25	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
243. Te Rauna Hape and 202 others	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* Kauhouroa Block	203	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
244. Te Rauna Hape and 64 others ..	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* Hercheretau A Block	65	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
312. Te Roera Tarcha and another ..	Oct. 29, 1936	For the return of Tatara-a-Kina Block to the original owners, or for compensation in lieu thereof	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
307. Traill, F. H. W., and 137 others	Oct. 27, 1936	For a license in respect of an accommodation-house at Half-moon Bay, Stewart Island	138	Colonel Hargest ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Oct. 20, 1937.
231. Tuhi, Rutene, and 12 others ..	Aug. 27, 1936	For an inquiry and assistance *in re* East Coast Commissioner ..	13	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs (direct)	Mar. 15, 1938.
98. Tuuta, George, and 34 others ..	April 23, 1936	That legislation be enacted empowering the Native Land Court to define original boundaries and determine the ownership of Te Whanga Lagoon, Chatham Islands	35	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 4, 1937.
241. Wairama, Mere te Iwingaro, and 22 others	Sept. 3, 1936	For relief *in re* East Coast Commissioner	23	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 15, 1938.
213. Wharekura te Keepa ..	Oct. 24, 1935	For relief *in re* Manutahi A 26 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 10, 1938.
300. Ward, Sir Cyril R. J., and 3 others	Feb. 22, 1933	For a refund of portion of the death duties assessed and paid in respect of the estate of the late Right Hon. Sir Joseph G. Ward, Bart.	4	Mr. de la Perrelle ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
22. Wilkin, Alice A.	Mar. 31, 1936	For inquiry into certain transactions in connection with the erection of a house at Wilkin's Inlet, and for relief	1	Captain Rushworth	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 11, 1938.
309. Wiremu Karaka and another ..	Oct. 28, 1936	For relief *in re* Ruangarehu Block	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

SCHEDULE OF PETITIONS PRESENTED TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DURING SESSION AND REFERRED TO SELECT COMMITTEES.

FROM WHOM PRESENTED.	DATE OF PRESENTATION.	ABSTRACT OF PRAYER	NO. OF SIGNATURES.	BY WHOM PRESENTED.	COMMITTEE REFERRED TO.	DATE OF REPORT
153. Ahlfeld, B.	Mar. 1, 1938	That the publication of certain statistics by the Plunket Society be discontinued	1	Mr. Williams ..	Public Health ..	Held over.
165. Ahuriri, Hiria	Mar. 4, 1938	For relief *in re* Wharekahika Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
57. Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants of New Zealand Industrial Union of Workers	Sept. 29, 1937	That the period served as juniors by certain individuals prior to 15th December, 1913, be taken into account when determining their total length of service for classification purposes, or, alternatively, when promotions are being made, such service be counted for seniority purposes	1	Mr. Chapman ..	Public Petitions A to L	Mar. 10, 1938.
180. Ansley, K., and 10 others ..	Mar. 12, 1938	That the Tourist Department assume control of Tuhua (Mayor) Island, subject to the payment of an annual tribute in respect of the surrounding fishing-grounds	11	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
36. Arnold, C. B.	Sept. 28, 1937	For restoration of an allowance allegedly payable while occupying the position of senior secondary assistant teacher at the Akaroa District High School	1	Mr. McCombs ..	Education	Nov. 17, 1937.
33. Ata Paniora and another ..	Sept. 23, 1937	That legislation be enacted directing the Tokerau District Native Land Court to investigate alleged injustices respecting the titles to Waipoua Block	2	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
19. Atu, Hati te, and 2 others ..	Sept. 21, 1937	For inquiry *in re* the will of Minarapa te Riri, deceased ..	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
48. Atu, Hati te, and 2 others ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* the will of Minarapa te Riri, deceased	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
17. Bachint Singh	Sept. 16, 1937	For compensation and other relief on account of alleged miscarriage of justice	1	Mr. Wilson ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 18, 1937.
111. Baker, Florence M.	Nov. 3, 1937	For compensation for alleged wrongful dismissal from the service of the Dannevirke County Council	1	Mr. Hunter ..	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
132. Banks, E. C.	Nov. 23, 1937	For the return of certain land taken over by the Public Works Department in exchange for another area, or compensation in lieu thereof	1	Mr. C. H. Burnett..	Lands	Mar. 15, 1938.
23. Batchelor, R. F., and 387 others	Sept. 21, 1937	That amalgamation proposals affecting the Borough of Lawrence be not proceeded with pending a referendum being taken of the electors concerned	388	Mr. Bodkin ..	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
72. Bate, Ann	Oct. 6, 1937	That she be granted a war widow's pension	1	Mr. Cotterill ..	Defence	Oct. 26, 1937.
74. Beaumont, J. S.	Oct. 6, 1937	For a compassionate allowance on account of an injury allegedly sustained during the period he was undergoing military training	1	Mr. Hodgens ..	Defence	Oct. 26, 1937.
62. Bourne, Ada M. P.	Sept. 30, 1937	That she be granted a war widow's pension	1	Mr. Lyon ..	Defence	Oct. 20, 1937.
96 Brown, E., and 657 others ..	Oct. 22, 1937	That the amalgamation proposals affecting the counties of Bruce, Clutha, and Tuapeka be not proceeded with	658	Messrs. Bodkin and Roy	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
27. Burne, Myrtle E.	Sept. 22, 1937	For compensation on account of the death of her husband allegedly arising out of an accident caused by a fallen electric-power line	1	Hon. Mr. Cobbe ..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 17, 1937.
63. Campbell, J.	Sept. 30, 1937	For remission of fines and other costs incurred under the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924	1	Mr. McDougall ..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 17, 1937.

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155.	Capper, Eva M.	Mar. 1, 1938	That she be granted a compassionate allowance on account of the death of her husband, allegedly due to having contracted pneumoconiosis while employed in the Waihi mines	1	Mr. Thorn	Goldfields and Mines	Mar. 15, 1938.
9.	Chalmers, J. M.	Sept. 14, 1937	For payment of invalidity pension	1	Hon. Mr. Jones	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
103.	Clinton, W. A., and 5 others (representing the Disabled Soldiers' Welfare Association)	Nov. 2, 1937	For relief in respect of war pensions and other action providing for the general welfare of returned soldiers and their dependants	6	Mr. Lyon	Defence	Dec. 9, 1937.
108.	Clinton, W. A.	Nov. 3, 1937	For increased war pension	1	Right Hon. Mr. Savage	Defence	Held over.
39.	Cook, H. H.	Sept. 28, 1937	For refund of stamp duty	1	Hon. Mr. Sullivan	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 24, 1937.
66.	Costar, H. W.	Sept. 30, 1937	For the remission of succession duty in respect of the estate of Steve Mate Yerkovich	1	Captain Rushworth	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 18, 1937.
76.	Dale, J., and 103 others	Oct. 12, 1937	That licensed premises be not established at Ngatea	104	Mr. Sexton	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
35.	Davey, Maud	Sept. 24, 1937	That she be granted an invalidity pension	1	Dr. McMillan	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
133.	Davies, Alma B.	Nov. 24, 1937	That her name be reinstated on the Teachers' Register, and that she be granted compensation for alleged loss of salary and her means of earning a livelihood	1	Mr. Hodgens	Education	Mar. 15, 1938.
12.	Davies, H. M.	Sept. 16, 1937	For an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the sale of Ngaurukehu A No. 4A Block	1	Mr. Moncur	Native Affairs	Held over.
179	Donaldson, E. M., and 9,056 others	Mar. 11, 1938	That provision be made for the broadcasting of lectures by the Auckland British Israel Association (Incorporated)	9,057	Mr. Lyon	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
1.	Drew, G. W.	Sept. 10, 1937	For additional compensation in respect of the death of his son as the result of an accident while employed by the Public Works Department	1	Right Hon. Mr. Savage	Labour Bills	Dec. 2, 1937.
171.	Dubi, C. H.	Mar. 9, 1938	For compensation on account of alleged miscarriage of justice	1	Mr. Lyon	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
140.	Farr (Mrs.) C. Coleridge, and 1,534 others	Nov. 25, 1937	That a Commission of inquiry be appointed to investigate the mental-hospitals system	1,535	Hon. Mr. Armstrong	Public Health	Held over.
139.	Farr, T.	Nov. 25, 1937	For compensation on account of compulsory retirement from the Defence Department	1	Mr. McKeen	Defence	Held over.
16.	Fearnley, F. H.	Sept. 16, 1937	For increased superannuation	1	Mr. Anderton	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 10, 1937.
156.	Finlayson, Inez G.	Mar. 1, 1938	That she be granted a compassionate allowance on account of the death of her husband, allegedly due to having contracted pneumoconiosis while employed in the Waihi mines	1	Mr. Thorn	Goldfields and Mines	Mar. 15, 1938.
98.	Fraser, A. A., and 5 others	Oct. 26, 1937	For relief from burden allegedly imposed by the abolition of riding accounts in the Waikohu County	6	Mr. Hultquist	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 4, 1937.
92.	Gorbey, A. R., and 473 others	Oct. 20, 1937	That licensed premises be not established at Wellsford	474	Mr. Barclay	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
65.	Graham, S., and 8 others	Sept. 30, 1937	For the provision of suitable road access to their properties	9	Mr. McDougall	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Mar. 10, 1938.
145.	Haki Karawana	Dec. 6, 1937	For relief *in re* Pukeroa-Oruawhata Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
166.	Hamiora Tuhaka	Mar. 4, 1938	For a reconsideration of a certain trusteeship order	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
131.	Harris, T.	Nov. 23, 1937	For compensation on account of alleged forced sale of his property	1	Mr. Moncur	Lands	Mar. 9, 1938.
150.	Hata Tipoki and 15 others	Dec. 7, 1937	For relief *in re* Tutaekuri No. 1 Block	16	Mr. Cullen	Native Affairs	Held over.

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19. Hati te Atu and 2 others ..	Sept. 21, 1937	For inquiry *in re* the will of Minarapa te Riri, deceased ..	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
48. Hati te Atu, and 2 others ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* the will of Minarapa te Riri, deceased	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
43. Henare Matanuku and another	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Marachara Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
45. Henare Matanuku and another	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 6 Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
14. Henare Rako and 6 others ..	Sept, 16, 1937	That the Native Land Court be empowered to investigate the title to Hiwarau Block	7	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
47. Heni Morete and another ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Herupara No. 1 Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
176. Herring, W. J., and 2,565 others	Mar. 10, 1938	For increase in the guaranteed prices for dairy-produce for the current season	2,566	Colonel Hargest ..	Agricultural and Pastoral	Held over.
165. Hiria Ahuriri	Mar. 4, 1938	For relief *in re* Wharekahika Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
42. Hirschberg, G. A.	Sept. 28, 1937	For a public inquiry in regard to his claim to the lease of Longbush	1	Mr. Lowry ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
31. Hoani Meihana and 7 others ..	Sept. 23, 1937	For an extension of the time fixed for lodging applications in terms of section 8 of the Native Purposes Act, 1936	8	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
20. Hogg, C. H.	Sept. 21, 1937	For compensation on account of an accident allegedly sustained while employed by the Post and Telegraph Department	1	Mr. Chapman ..	Public Petitions A to L	Nov. 24, 1937.
148. Hohua, Hori, and 12 others ..	Dec. 7, 1937	For compensation on account of alleged confiscation of lands at Opouriao, Te Tiringa, and Ohiwa	13	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
80. Hone Nehua	Oct. 15, 1937	For inquiry into the ownership of certain land in the Township of Russell	1	Right Hon. Mr. Coates (for Mr. Henare)	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
148. Hori Hohua and 12 others ..	Dec. 7, 1937	For compensation on account of alleged confiscation of lands at Opouriao, Te Tiringa, and Ohiwa	13	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
88. Hori Kaiwai	Oct. 15, 1937	For relief *in re* Manutahi A 7A Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
162. Horomona, Matehuirua ..	Mar. 2, 1938	For the recovery of a sum of money invested on her behalf by the Ikaroa District Maori Land Board	1	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
44. Horua, Tawai	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 12 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
8. Houghton, Mary H. ..	Sept. 14, 1937	For retrospective payment of pension granted on account of her husband's war service	1	Hon. Mr. Jones ..	Defence	Oct. 20, 1937.
25. Houkamau, Tipiwai	Sept. 22, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 8 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
26. Houkamau, Tipiwai	Sept. 22, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 17 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
77. Hughes, J.	Oct. 12, 1937	For compensation on account of the alleged forced sale of his property	1	Hon. Mr. Fraser ..	Defence	Nov. 17, 1937.
104. Hunt, F. E.	Nov. 2, 1937	That legislation be enacted providing for the payment of full superannuation to members of the Railways Department compulsorily retired on an actuarial equivalent basis in 1931	1	Hon. Mr. Nash ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 1, 1937.

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128. Hutton, Catherine	Nov. 17, 1937	That she be granted an invalidity pension	1	Dr. McMillan ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
157. Jacobson, Nellie C.	Mar. 1, 1938	For additional compensation in respect of a property acquired by the Crown for educational purposes	1	Mr. Wright ..	Education	Held over.
101. Jefcoate, L. S.	Oct. 27, 1937	For compensation for injury allegedly sustained through the negligence of the Defence Department	1	Mr. Roberts ..	Defence	Held over.
67. Jennings, C. H. S.	Oct. 5, 1937	That he be granted compensation on account of alleged wrongful imprisonment, and that certain Court proceedings be quashed	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
53. Johnson, A. B.	Sept. 29, 1937	That he be granted an invalidity pension	1	Dr. McMillan ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
18. Jordan, F. C., and another (representing the Auckland Harbour Preservation Society)	Sept. 21, 1937	For investigation and other action in respect of a sewerage scheme proposed for Auckland City and suburbs	2	Mr. Lyon ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 1, 1937.
134. Jordan, J. B., and another ..	Nov. 24, 1937	For reduction in the amount of rates levied in respect of their property	2	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Lands	Mar. 15, 1938.
127. Joyce, S., and 25,257 others ..	Nov. 17, 1937	That the Auckland Metropolitan Milk Amendment Bill be not passed	25,258	Mr. Lyon ..	Local Bills	Nov. 26, 1938.
71. Kaa, Panikena	Oct. 6, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 6 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
81. Kaa, Panikena	Oct. 15, 1937	For the enactment of legislation empowering the Native Land Court to grant probate of Piripi Rairi's will	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
83. Kaa, Panikena	Oct. 15, 1937	For investigation of his claim to additional shares in Marangairoa 1D 2 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
84. Kaa, Panikena	Oct. 15, 1937	For alteration of the boundary-line between Marangairoa 1C (Pakihi) and Marangairoa 1D (Kautuku) Blocks	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
85. Kaa, Panikena	Oct. 15, 1937	For a reallotation of shares in Okarae, part Wharekehike Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
86. Kaa, Panikena	Oct. 15, 1937	For investigation of the ownership of Marangairoa 1D 10, 1D 11, and 1D 19 Blocks	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
87. Kaa, Panikena, and another ..	Oct. 15, 1937	For a reallocation of shares in Marangairoa 1D 1 Block ..	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
51. Kahuaterangi, Maaka Rapana te, and 2 others	Sept. 28, 1937	For reinvestigation of the succession to the landed interests of Hoani Pani or Piripiri, deceased	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
88. Kaiwai, Hori	Oct. 15, 1937	For relief *in re* Manutahi A 7A Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
60. Kaka Porowini and 7 others ..	Sept. 30, 1937	That effect be given to the report and recommendation of the Native Land Court in regard to their claim relating to Mangakowhara Block	8	Mr. Barclay ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
59. Karanga te Kere Ngataierua and 3 others	Sept. 30, 1937	For relief *in re* Lake Pohoare	4	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
145. Karawana, Haki	Dec. 6, 1937	For relief *in re* Pukeroa-Oruawhata Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
143. Karena, Pirihira, and another ..	Dec. 1, 1937	That legislation be enacted empowering the Native Land Court to review succession orders in respect of a Native reserve at Palmerston North	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Withdrawn, Mar. 10, 1938.

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49. Karetai, Teoti Timoti, and 20 others	Sept. 28, 1937	That the Native Land Court be empowered to investigate the ownership of certain Native reserves in Princes Street, Dunedin	21	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
173. Karetai, Teoti Timoti, and 20 others	Mar. 9, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Otakou Block	21	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
181. Kennedy, D.	Mar. 15, 1938	For compensation on account of an injury allegedly sustained while employed by the Public Works Department	1	Mr. Osborne ..	Labour Bills ..	Held over.
121. Kere, Parata Pita, and 5 others	Nov. 12, 1937	That legislation be enacted empowering the Native Land Court to reinvestigate the titles to certain Native reserves situated on the West Coast of the South Island	6	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
110. Kihi Parata and 2 others ..	Nov. 3, 1937	That the Native Land Court be authorized to investigate the titles to Tawapata South No. 3 Block	3	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
120. Kirk, J.	Nov. 11, 1937	That he be granted an invalidity pension	1	Mr. McDougall ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
106. Kohere, R. T., and 18 others ..	Nov. 3, 1937	For the allocation of further shares in Marangairoa 1D Block ..	19	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
161. Kuki Rina Wakarua ..	Mar. 2, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Ihupuku Block No. 4A, Waitotara	1	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
61. Kupenga, Tite te Ikahaehae, and 22 others	Sept. 30, 1937	For relief *in re* Pukemahoe Block	23	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
169. Lavery, Catherine	Mar. 8, 1938	That her total service with the Education Department be treated as continuous for the purposes of superannuation	1	Mr. Dickie ..	Education	Held over.
154. Leathem, C. F.	Mar. 1, 1938	For a further compassionate allowance in respect of an accident sustained while employed by the Public Works Department	1	Mr. Cotterill ..	Labour Bills ..	Held over.
38. Lennox, Sybil K.	Sept. 28, 1937	For compensation on account of alleged unskilful treatment while an inmate of the Auckland Public Hospital	1	Right Hon. Mr. Savage	Public Health ..	Nov. 24, 1937.
13. Lewis, G. L.	Sept. 16, 1937	For amendment of the Dentists Act, 1936, enabling his name to be placed on the Dental Register	1	Mr. Munro ..	Public Health ..	Held over.
51. Maaka Rapana te Kahuaterangi and 2 others	Sept. 28, 1937	For reinvestigation of the succession to the landed interests of Hoani Pani or Piripiri, deceased	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
97. Mackenzie, J. S.	Oct. 26, 1937	For reinstatement in the Education Department	1	Mr. McKeen ..	Education	Mar. 15, 1938.
146. Mackie, C. R. N., and 5 others	Dec. 7, 1937	For an inquiry into the penal system of New Zealand	6	Hon. Mr. Sullivan ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
172. Maddaford, G. E.	Mar. 9, 1938	That he be granted a war pension	1	Mr. Dickie ..	Defence	Held over.
50. Maria Rimaha and 2 others ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Mangarewa-Kaharoa 6B 3 2A and 6B 3 2B 5 Blocks	3	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 8, 1937.
149. Marriner, G., and 3 others ..	Dec. 7, 1937	For inquiry into their claims to interests in the Araukuuku Block, Taranaki	4	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 10, 1938.
124. Marshall, F. G.	Nov. 16, 1937	For inquiry into the conditions of employment of certain insurance canvassers	1	Dr. McMillan ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
116. Marsick, Mate	Nov. 9, 1937	For compensation in respect of an injury allegedly sustained while employed by the Public Works Department	1	Mr. Barclay ..	Labour Bills	Mar. 14, 1938.
99. Martin, C. A. R.	Oct. 27, 1937	That he be granted a war pension or compassionate allowance in lieu thereof	1	Hon. Mr. Parry ..	Defence	Mar. 9, 1938.
138. Martin, D. M., and 13 others ..	Nov. 25, 1937	That a Commission of inquiry be set up to investigate the operation of the prison and Borstal systems	14	Hon. Mr. Semple ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
43. Matanuku, Henare, and another	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Maraehara Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
45. Matanuku, Henare, and another	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 6 Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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162. Matehuirua Horomona ..	Mar. 2, 1938	For the recovery of a sum of money invested on her behalf by the Ikaroa District Maori Land Board	1	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
151. Matthews, Elsie M.	Dec. 9, 1937	For a pension or compassionate allowance in respect of her late husband's war services	1	Mr. Osborne ..	Defence	Mar. 9, 1938.
31. Meihana, Hoana, and 7 others..	Sept. 23, 1937	For an extension of the time fixed for lodging applications in terms of section 8 of the Native Purposes Act, 1936	8	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
5. Meikle, J. J.	Sept. 10, 1937	That certain reports of Select Committees be given effect to	1	Mr. Richards ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 2, 1937.
160. Meremere, Tete, and 77 others	Mar. 2, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Tuwharetoa Trust Board	78	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
10. Miles, Idean A.	Sept. 14, 1937	For payment of invalidity pension	1	Dr. McMillan ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
3. Milligan, C. E.	Sept. 10, 1937	For amendment of the Stamp Duties Act, 1923	1	Hon. Mr. Mason ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Oct. 20, 1937.
46. Moeau, Tamati, and another ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For inquiry into their claim to Pahou Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
79. Moore, W., and 572 others ..	Oct. 14, 1937	That amalgamation proposals affecting the counties of Bruce, Clutha, and Tuapeka be not proceeded with pending a referendum being taken of the ratepayers concerned	573	Mr. Roy	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
55. Morere Whatitiri and 38 others	Sept. 29, 1937	That they be permitted to re-enter into possession of Kaipakopako part Section 133, Block III, on the expiry of the present lease	39	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
56. Morere Whatitiri and 74 others	Sept. 29, 1937	For restoration of their right to the canoe landing-place at Te Tutu, and other relief	75	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
47. Morete, Heni, and another ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Herupara No. 1 Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
52. Morgan, E., and 559 others ..	Sept. 29, 1937	That legislation be enacted to regulate the sale of electrical goods, provide for the registration of firms dealing in electrical goods, and to prevent the sale of unassembled wiring accessories	560	Mr. Hodgens ..	Industries and Commerce	Held over.
141. Moss, T. R. E.	Nov. 26, 1937	For a compassionate grant in respect of injuries allegedly sustained whilst travelling on the New Zealand railways	1	Colonel Hargest ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
123. McInnes, Jessie	Nov. 16, 1937	That she be granted an invalidity pension	1	Dr. McMillan ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
34. McKinlay, A. M., and 1,017 others	Sept. 23, 1937	That amalgamation proposals affecting the counties of Bruce, Clutha, and Tuapeka be not proceeded with, pending a referendum being taken of the ratepayers concerned	1,018	Mr. Bodkin, associated with Mr. Roy	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
1. McLean, N.	Sept. 10, 1937	For a compassionate grant on account of alleged unskilful treatment while an inmate of a public hospital	1	Mr. C. H. Burnett ..	Public Health ..	Held over.
80. Nehua, Hone	Oct. 15, 1937	For inquiry into the ownership of certain land in the Township of Russell	1	Right Hon. Mr. Coates (for Mr. Henare)	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
28. Neilson, Kathleen	Sept. 22, 1937	For an invalidity pension or other financial assistance ..	1	Hon. Mr. Jones ..	Public Petitions A to L	Mar. 10, 1938.
115. Nelson, J. L.	Nov. 9, 1937	That the license now held in respect of the Puhoi Hotel be not transferred to Wellsford	1	Mr. Barclay ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
82. Ngahiwi Petiha and 3 others ..	Oct. 15, 1937	For a reallocation of shares in Wharekehike Block	4	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
58. Ngapera Paraita and 7 others	Sept. 30, 1937	That certain persons be included as beneficiaries under the will of the late Hemi Matenga	8	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
59. Ngataierua, Karanga te Kere, and 3 others	Sept. 30, 1937	For relief *in re* Lake Pohoare	4	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
113. Nolan, Marcellina	Nov. 5, 1937	For compensation on account of the death of her husband while in the employ of the Railways Department	1	Mr. Denham ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Mar. 15, 1938.

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69. Onyon, C.	Oct. 5, 1937	That certain Court proceedings affecting the estate of Marion Howard be reopened	1	Mr. Chapman ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 18, 1937.
70. Onyon, C.	Oct. 5, 1937	For the annulment of an order affecting the control of certain property	1	Mr. Chapman ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 18, 1937.
129. O'Shea, P. J.	Nov. 18, 1937	That a compassionate allowance equivalent to the old-age pension be granted to J. O'Connor	1	Mr. Atmore ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Mar. 9, 1938.
71. Panikena Kaa	Oct. 6, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 6 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
81. Panikena Kaa	Oct. 15, 1937	For the enactment of legislation empowering the Native Land Court to grant probate of Piripi Rairi's will	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
83. Panikena Kaa	Oct. 15, 1937	For investigation of his claim to additional shares in Marangairoa 1D 2 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
84. Panikena Kaa	Oct. 15, 1937	For alteration of the boundary-line between Marangairoa 1C (Pakihi) and Marangairoa 1D (Kautuku) Blocks	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
85. Panikena Kaa	Oct. 15, 1937	For a reallocation of shares in Okarae, part Wharekehike Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
86. Panikena Kaa	Oct. 15, 1937	For investigation of the ownership of Marangairoa 1D 10, 1D 11, and 1D 19 Blocks	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
87. Panikena Kaa and another ..	Oct. 15, 1937	For a reallocation of shares in Marangairoa 1D 1 Block ..	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
33. Paniora, Ata, and another ..	Sept. 23, 1937	That legislation be enacted directing the Tokerau District Native Land Court to investigate alleged injustices respecting the titles to Waipoua Block	2	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
110. Parata, Kihi, and 2 others ..	Nov. 3, 1937	That the Native Land Court be authorized to investigate the titles to Tawapata South No. 3 Block	3	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
58. Parata, Ngapera, and 7 others..	Sept. 30, 1937	That certain persons be included as beneficiaries under the will of the late Hemi Matenga	8	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
121. Parata Pita Kere and 5 others	Nov. 12, 1937	That legislation be enacted empowering the Native Land Court to reinvestigate the titles to certain Native reserves situated on the West Coast of the South Island	6	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
136. Parker, J. F.	Nov. 25, 1937	For compensation on account of alleged forced sale of his property	1	Mr. Barrell ..	Lands	Held over.
32. Parore, L. W., and another ..	Sept. 23, 1937	That legislation be enacted directing the Tokerau District Native Land Court to investigate the titles to Manuwhetai and Whangai-Ariki Blocks, with a view to their adjustment	2	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
168. Pene, Te Huri-Waka, and 61 others	Mar. 8, 1938	That they be exempted from the payment of contributions towards the cost of maintenance and renewals, and also the payment of rates in connection with the Matata water-supply	62	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
177. Pereniki, Rangirumaki ..	Mar. 10, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Muraoteahi Block..	1	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
82. Petiha, Ngahiwi, and 3 others..	Oct. 15, 1937	For a reallocation of shares in Wharekehike Block	4	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
142. Pihana, Teri T., and 461 others	Nov. 30, 1937	That legislation be enacted empowering the West Coast Reserves Beneficiaries' Association to impose a charge, for the purposes of the Association, of 1¼ per cent. on moneys received by beneficiaries under the provisions of the West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892	462	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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112. Pilling, Mary	Nov. 4, 1937	For enactment of legislation enabling certain Court proceedings to be reopened	1	Mr. Schramm ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 26, 1938.
143. Pirihira Karena and another ..	Dec. 1, 1937	That legislation be enacted empowering the Native Land Court to review succession orders in respect of a Native reserves at Palmerston North	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Withdrawn, Mar. 10, 1938.
4. Platt, Amy	Sept. 10, 1937	That she be granted a gratuity in consideration of her late husband's services with the Public Works Department and Dominion Laboratory	1	Mr. Wright ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 2, 1937.
60. Porowini, Kaka, and 7 others ..	Sept. 30, 1937	That effect be given to the report and recommendation of the Native Land Court in regard to their claim relating to Mangakowhara Block	8	Mr. Barclay ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
89. Poulgrain, Amelia, and 19 others	Oct. 19, 1937	For relief *in re* Mangatu No. 1 Block	20	Hon. Mr. Langstone	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
118. Puwhakaoho, Te Reiwhati, and 51 others	Nov. 10, 1937	For the repeal of legislation vesting portion of the Rotoiti lands in the Crown as a scenic reserve, or, alternatively, that certain fencing and other works be carried out	52	Mr. Moncur ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
87. Rahera Rairi and Panekena Kaa	Oct. 15, 1937	For a reallocation of shares in Marangairoa 1D 1 Block ..	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
14. Rako, Henare, and 6 others ..	Sept. 16, 1937	That the Native Land Court be empowered to investigate the title to Hiwarau Block	7	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
177. Rangirumaki Pereniki ..	Mar. 10, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Muraoteahi Block	1	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
135. Read, L. A.	Nov. 24, 1937	For compensation for loss allegedly sustained in connection with the establishment of a casein-factory at Port Albert	1	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Agricultural and Pastoral	Held over.
170. Redward, J.	Mar. 9, 1938	For payment of balance of fees for the massage treatment of persons injured during the Hawke's Bay earthquake of 1931	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
50. Rimaha, Maria, and 2 others ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Mangarewa-Kaharoa 6E 3 2A and 6E 3 2B 5 Blocks	3	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 8, 1937.
91. Rosche, L. F.	Oct. 20, 1937	For compensation on account of alleged unskilful treatment while an inmate of the Wanganui Public Hospital	1	Mr. Dickie ..	Health	Held over.
41. Ruiha Tangotango and another	Sept. 28, 1937	For inquiry *in re* Paparautini Block, Chatham Islands	2	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
119. Rutene Tuhi and 27 others ..	Nov. 11, 1937	That appointments made in terms of section 27 of the Native Purposes Act, 1931, be terminated	28	Hon. Mr. Langstone	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 15, 1938.
94. Sadler, S.	Oct. 21, 1937	For compensation on account of alleged wrongful dismissal from the Public Works Department, and reinstatement in his former position	1	Mr. Thorn ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Dec. 2, 1937.
29. Sampson, F.	Sept. 22, 1937	That a general inquiry be held into the Borstal system in New Zealand, and that the right of appeal be granted in the event of a person's name being removed from the list of official visitors to Borstal institutions	1	Mr. Denham ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
159. Sampson, F.	Mar. 2, 1938	For an inquiry into the Borstal system and also into the method of appointing prison visitors	1	Mr. Denham ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
178. Sarich, W. C.	Mar. 11, 1938	For a miner's phthisis pension or compassionate allowance in lieu thereof	1	Mr. Osborne ..	Goldfields and Mines ..	Mar. 15, 1938.

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15. Saunders, Esther, and another	Sept. 16, 1937	For refund of conveyance duty	1	Mr. Osborne ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Oct. 22, 1937.
93. Sayers, L.	Oct. 21, 1937	For inquiry into the circumstances surrounding his retirement from the Defence Department, reinstatement in the Public Service, and compensation on account of alleged wrongful retirement	1	Hon. Mr. Parry ..	Defence	Dec. 9, 1937.
75. Schollum, W. J., and 65 others	Oct. 7, 1937	That the license now held in respect of the Puhoi Hotel be not removed to another locality	66	Mr. Barclay ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
125. Schramm, F. W., and 2,356 others	Nov. 16, 1937	For a Commission to inquire into and report upon the system of selection, training, &c., of horses used by the Volunteer Forces	2,357	Mr. Endean ..	Defence	Dec. 9, 1937.
122. Schultz, Mary	Nov. 15, 1937	For a compassionate grant in consideration of services rendered as a school-teacher, and other relief	1	Mr. Holland ..	Education	Mar. 15, 1938.
11. Shanks, A. F.	Sept. 14, 1937	For compensation for loss of license to operate a passenger-carrying service under the provisions of the Transport Licensing Act, 1931	1	Mr. Barnes ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Oct. 22, 1937.
137. Shaw, A.	Nov. 25, 1937	For relief in respect of loss allegedly sustained through difficulty of interpretation of section 4 of the Valuation of Land Amendment Act, 1933	1	Hon. Mr. Mason ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Mar. 9, 1938.
21. Silcock, J. W., and 5 others ..	Sept. 21, 1937	For compensation for damage to property allegedly caused by the erection of a stop-bank on the eastern side of the Upper Waihou River	6	Mr. C. H. Burnett	Lands	Brought up and referred back, Oct. 20, 1937; second report, Nov. 11, 1937.
17. Singh, Bachint	Sept. 16, 1937	For compensation and other relief an account of alleged miscarriage of justice	1	Mr. Wilson ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 18, 1937.
30. Singleton, J., and 614 others ..	Sept. 22, 1937	For the enactment of legislation enabling an hotel license to be transferred from Puhoi to Wellsford	615	Mr. Barclay ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
22. Smith, G. V., and 10 others (ratepayers residing in Cook County)	Sept. 21, 1937	That a Commission of inquiry be set up to investigate certain matters in the Cook County	11	Mr. Hultquist ..	Public Petitions A to L (direct)	Nov. 4, 1937.
158. Smith, G. W., and 9 others ..	Mar. 2, 1938	For revision of the Licensing Act, 1908, and its amendments ..	10	Mr. McDougall ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
24. Smith, J. F. B., and 266 others (tax-drivers of the City of Auckland)	Sept. 22, 1937	For the appointment of a person experienced in the handling of taxi systems as the transport-licensing authority for the Auckland Metropolitan Area, or, in the event of a corporation being appointed, that adequate representation of local bodies adjacent to the city area be provided for	267	Mr. Schramm ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Withdrawn, Nov. 2, 1937.
109. Smith, P. O.	Nov. 3, 1937	For re-employment in the Public Service, compensation on account of alleged wrongful dismissal from the Marine Department, and other relief	1	Mr. Holland ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Dec. 2, 1937.
68. Smyth, W. C.	Oct. 5, 1937	For compensation on account of losses sustained in farming operations allegedly owing to the flooding of his land	1	Mr. Coulter ..	Lands	Mar. 15, 1938.
114. Sparrow, H., and another ..	Nov. 9, 1937	For increase in the prices fixed for dairy-produce for the current season	2	Mr. Holyoake ..	Agricultural and Pastoral	Held over.
144. Taipua, Wiremu Utatangata, and another	Dec. 1, 1937	For compensation on account of the loss of their land owing to alleged erroneous registration of a memorandum of transfer	2	Hon. Mr. Lee Martin	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 8, 1937.
105. Taite te Tomo and 6 others ..	Nov. 3, 1937	For relief *in re* Te Reureu No. 1 Block	7	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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107. Taite te Tomo, and 6 others ..	Nov. 3, 1937	For relief *in re* Te Reureu No. 1 Block	7	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
167. Taku, Wetine, and 32 others ..	Mar. 8, 1938	That the report and recommendation of the Native Affairs Committee of 1915 in regard to the division of the Tunapahore Block be given effect to	33	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
46. Tamati Mocau, and another ..	Sept. 28, 1937	For inquiry into their claim to Pahou Block	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
90. Tamihana, te Kata	Oct. 20, 1937	For relief *in re* Allotment 39, Parish of Matata, Kawerau Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
102. Tamihana, te Kata, and another	Oct. 29, 1937	That legislation be enacted to determine their rights to lands allegedly confiscated by the Crown	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
41. Tangotango, Ruiha, and another	Sept. 28, 1937	For inquiry *in re* Paparautini Block, Chatham Islands ..	2	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
54. Tapper, Ada M.	Sept. 29, 1937	That she be granted an invalidity pension	1	Dr. McMillan ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
44. Tawai Horua	Sept. 28, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 12 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
126. Taylor, W. D., and another ..	Nov. 16, 1937	For remission of portion of the death duties assessed in respect of the estate of the late Thomas Saunders, and also the remission of the interest charged thereon	2	Mr. Hunter ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Mar. 11, 1938.
174. Te Hekenui Whakarake, and 22 others	Mar. 9, 1938	For a redistribution of titles to property known as the Ngatimaru Landless Natives Block	23	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
175. Te Hekenui Whakarake, and another	Mar. 9, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Raoraomouku and Putaiti-Mangapukatea Blocks	2	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
168. Te Huriwaka Pene, and 61 others	Mar. 8, 1938	That they be exempted from the payment of contributions towards the cost of maintenance and renewals, and also the payment of rates in connection with the Matata water-supply	62	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
90 Te Kata Tamihana	Oct. 20, 1937	For relief *in re* Allotment 39, Parish of Matata, Kawerau Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
102. Te Kata Tamihana, and another	Oct. 29, 1937	That legislation be enacted to determine their rights to lands allegedly confiscated by the Crown	2	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Nov. 18, 1937.
49. Teoti Timoti Karetai, and 20 others	Sept. 28, 1937	That the Native Land Court be empowered to investigate the ownership of certain Native reserves in Princes Street, Dunedin	21	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
173. Teoti Timoti Karetai, and 20 others	Mar. 9, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Otakou Block	21	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
118. Te Reiwhati Puwhakaoho, and 51 others	Nov. 10, 1937	For the repeal of legislation vesting portion of the Rotoiti lands in the Crown as a scenic reserve, or, alternatively, that certain fencing and other works be carried out	52	Mr. Moncur ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
142. Teri T. Pihana, and 461 others	Nov. 30, 1937	That legislation be enacted empowering the West Coast Reserves Beneficiaries' Association to impose a charge, for the purposes of the Association, of 1¼ per cent. on moneys received by beneficiaries under the provisions of the West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892	462	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
160. Tete Meremere, and 77 others ..	Mar. 2, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Tuwharetoa Trust Board	78	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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152. Thornton, M., and 19 others ..	Dec. 9, 1937	That certain proposals for the reorganization of the pharmacy industry be not adopted	20	Mr. Cullen ..	Industries and Commerce	Held over.
95. Timmings, W. E.	Oct. 21, 1937	For restoration of property of which he was allegedly wrongfully dispossessed, or for compensation	1	Hon. Mr. Sullivan	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
100. Tipene, R. V.	Oct. 27, 1937	For the enactment of legislation validating an oral order of adoption granted in 1900, and for other relief	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
25. Tipiwai Houkamau	Sept. 22, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 8 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
26. Tipiwai Houkamau	Sept. 22, 1937	For relief *in re* Marangairoa 1D 17 Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
150. Tipoki, Hata, and 15 others ..	Dec. 7, 1937	For relief *in re* Tutaekuri No. 1 Block	16	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
61. Titi te Ikahaehae Kupenga, and 22 others	Sept. 30, 1937	For relief *in re* Pukemahoe Block	23	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 6, 1937.
105. Tomo, Taite te, and 6 others ..	Nov. 3, 1937	For relief *in re* Te Reureu No. 1 Block	7	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
107. Tomo, Taite te, and 6 others ..	Nov. 3, 1937	For relief *in re* Te Reureu No. 1 Block	7	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
130. Treloar, J., and 19 others ..	Nov. 22, 1937	That a Committee be set up to inquire into the prison and borstal systems	20	Mr. Barrell ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
40. Trewby, H...	Sept. 28, 1937	For the abandonment of the tourist industry and its replacement by efforts to improve the quality of the primary produce of New Zealand	1	Hon. Mr. Fraser ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Nov. 2, 1937.
7. Trotter, N. G., and 3,233 others	Sept. 10, 1937	That the proposed amalgamation of the Southland and Wallace Hospital Districts be not proceeded with until a referendum has been taken	3,234	Hon. Mr. Hamilton	Public Health ..	Oct. 20, 1937.
166. Tuhaka, Hamiora	Mar. 4, 1938	For a reconsideration of a certain trusteeship order	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
119. Tuhi, Rutene, and 27 others ..	Nov. 11, 1937	That appointments made in terms of section 27 of the Native Purposes Act, 1931, be terminated	28	Hon. Mr. Langstone	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 15, 1938.
117. Tukumaru Webber	Nov. 10, 1937	That legislation be enacted validating a deed of assignment in respect of the estate of Hemi Matenga, deceased	1	Mr. Chapman ..	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 10, 1938.
164. Turvin, P., and 7 others ..	Mar. 4, 1938	For a redistribution of shares in Hauturu No. 2 Block ..	8	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
73. Turnbull, W. McG.	Oct. 6, 1937	For a compassionate allowance on account of his discharge from the Defence Forces, allegedly due to disabilities contracted while on active service	1	Mr. McCombs ..	Defence	Nov. 17, 1937.
161. Wakarua, Kuki Rima ..	Mar. 2, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Ihupuku Block No. 4A, Waitotara	1	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
64. Walders, J.	Sept. 30, 1937	That he be granted an invalidity pension or other relief ..	1	Mr. McDougall ..	Public Petitions A to L	Dec. 2, 1937.
117. Webber, Tukumaru	Nov. 10, 1937	That legislation be enacted validating a deed of assignment in respect of the estate of Hemi Matenga, deceased	1	Mr. Chapman ..	Native Affairs ..	Mar. 10, 1938.
167. Wetine Takau, and 32 others ..	Mar. 8, 1938	That the report and recommendation of the Native Affairs Committee of 1915 in regard to the division of the Tunapahore Block be given effect to	33	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
174. Whakarake, Te Hekenui, and 22 others	Mar. 9, 1938	For a redistribution of titles to property known as the Ngatimaru Landless Natives Block	23	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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175. Whaksrake, Te Hekenui, and another	Mar. 9, 1938	For inquiry *in re* Raoraomouku and Putaiti-Mangapukatea Blocks	2	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
55. Whatitiri, Morere, and 38 others	Sept. 29, 1937	That they be permitted to re-enter into possession of Kaipakopako part Section 133, Block III, on the expiry of the present lease	39	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
56. Whatitiri, Morere, and 74 others	Sept. 29, 1937	For restoration of their right to the canoe landing place at Te Tutu, and other relief	75	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
78. Wheeler, H. C.	Oct. 12, 1937	For compensation in respect of loss sustained through alleged forced sale of stock and chattels and forfeiture of lease of Crown land	1	Hon. Mr. Mason ..	Lands	Nov. 24, 1937.
163. Wheeler, H. C.	Mar. 4, 1938	For relief in respect of loss sustained through alleged forced sale of stock and chattels and forfeiture of lease of Crown land	1	Hon. Mr. Mason ..	Lands	Mar. 15, 1938.
147. White, W. R.	Dec. 7, 1937	For reinstatement in the Public Service	1	Mr. McKeen ..	Defence	Held over.
6. Wilson, J. J.	Sept. 10, 1937	For compensation for injuries allegedly sustained while employed with the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Defence	Oct. 26, 1937.
144. Wiremu Utatangata Taipua, and another	Dec. 1, 1937	For compensation on account of the loss of their land owing to alleged erroneous registration of a memorandum of transfer	2	Hon. Mr. Lee Martin	Native Affairs ..	Dec. 8, 1937.

Schedule of Select Committees.

Subject.	Members' Names.	Date of Appointment.	Remarks.
Agricultural and Pastoral.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all matters pertaining to agricultural and pastoral industries and stock which may be referred to it, with power to confer and sit together with any similar Committee which may be appointed by the Legislative Council, and to agree to a joint or separate report.	Mr. Barclay, Mr. C. H. Burnett, Mr. T. D. Burnett, Mr. Coulter, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Kyle, Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. Polson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams	Sept. 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage (for Hon. Mr. Lee Martin).	(For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.–10.)
Defence.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all matters in connection with defence which may be referred to it.	Mr. Anderton, Mr. Barclay, Mr. Christie, Mr. Cullen, Colonel Hargest, Hon. Mr. Jones, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Roy, Mr. Sexton.	Sept. 30, on motion of Hon. Mr. Jones.	(For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.–12.)
Education.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all matters relating to school-teachers, education, and public instruction generally, public-school training of teachers, higher education, technical education, manual instruction, and such other matters affecting education as may be referred to it.	Mr. Atmore, Mr. Bodkin, Rev. Mr. Carr, *Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Dickie,* Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. Herring, Mr. McCombs, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Smith.	Sept. 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage (for the Hon. Mr. Fraser).	Name of the Hon. Mr. Cobbe discharged and that of Mr. Dickie substituted therefor. Empowered to sit during recess and for fourteen days after commencement of next session and to consider Education Amendment Bill about to be introduced, Mar. 15. (For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.–8.)
Goldfields and Mines.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all Bills and other matters relating to mining which may be referred to it.	Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Denham, Mr. Herring, Mr. Holyoake, Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. Moncur, Mr. O'Brien, Captain Rushworth, Mr. Thorn, Hon. Mr. Webb.	Sept. 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage (for Hon. Mr. Webb).	Coal-mines Amendment Bill referred, Nov. 3; Report, Nov. 15. Petroleum Bill referred, Nov. 16; Report, Nov. 23. Petroleum Bill referred, Nov. 24; Report, Dec. 2. Mining Amendment Bill referred, Nov. 26; Report, Nov. 30. (For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.–4.)
House.—Consisting of seven Members, with power to confer with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council, to provide for the comfort of Members of both Houses.	Hon. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Howard, Mr. Kyle, Dr. McMillan, Mr. O'Brien, Right Hon. Mr. Savage, Mr. Smith.	Sept. 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage.	No Report.
Industries and Commerce.—Consisting, by leave, of eleven Members, to consider all matters in connection with industries and commerce that may be referred to it.	Mr. Barrell, Mr. Hodgens, Mr. Holland, Mr. Holyoake, Mr. Hunter, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, Hon. Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Wilkinson.	Oct. 1, on motion of Hon. Mr. Sullivan.	No Report.
Joint on Bills.—To act together with a similar Select Committee of the Legislative Council as a Joint Committee, which shall inquire into the character of every Bill that may be referred to it by the Speaker of either House, and to report its opinions to both Houses as to whether it is a public, local, or private Bill.	Mr. Coleman, Mr. Endean, Mr. Howard, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Wilkinson.	Sept. 29, on motion of Mr. Howard.	Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill referred, Sept. 21; Report, Nov. 11. Hurunui Licensing Committee Enabling Bill referred, Sept. 30; Report, Nov. 11. (For Reports, *vide* Journals.)
Joint on Standing Orders on Private Bills	Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Endean, Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. Howard, Mr. Schramm.	Sept. 29, on motion of Mr. Howard.	No Report.

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES—*continued.*

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
Labour Bills.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all Bills or other matters relating to labour which may be referred to it.	Hon. Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Barrell, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Coleman, Hon. Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Holland, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Polson.	Sept. 29, on motion of Hon. Mr. Armstrong.	New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works Bill referred, Sept. 29; Report, Nov. 11. Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2) referred, Nov. 4; Report, Nov. 9. (For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.-9.)
Lands.—Consisting of ten Members, to whom shall stand referred, after the first reading, all Bills affecting or in any way relating to the lands of the Crown, or education or other public reserves; the Committee to have power to recommend such amendments therein as it thinks proper, and to report generally, when necessary, upon the principles and provisions of the Bills.	Mr. Barnes, Mr. Christie, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Dickie, Colonel Hargest, Hon. Mr. Langstone, Mr. McDougall, Mr. Meachen, Hon. Sir Alfred Ransom, Mr. Wilson.	Sept. 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage (for Hon. Mr. Langstone).	New Plymouth Airport Bill referred, Oct. 20; Report, Nov. 4. Whangarei Airport Bill referred, Nov. 2; Report, Nov. 11. Special Report on Standing Orders relating to Local Bills, Nov. 4. Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill referred, Dec. 2; Report, Dec. 8. Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill referred, Dec. 2; Report, Dec. 8. Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill referred, Mar. 14; Report, Mar. 14. (For Reports, *vide* Journals and Appendices, I.-5.)
Library.—Consisting of ten Members, with power to confer with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council.	Hon. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Atmore, Mr. Broadfoot, Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Lyon, Hon. Mr. Mason, Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. Osborne.	Sept. 29, on motion of Right. Hon. Mr. Savage (for Hon. Mr. Fraser).	Annual Report of Chief Librarian (H.-32.), Nov. 11. (*Vide* Journals and Appendices.)
Local Bills.—Consisting of ten Members, to whom all Local Bills shall stand referred after the first reading; the Committee to report whether the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are in any way affected by the provisions of the Bills, and to recommend such amendments as it may think proper, and to report, when necessary, on the merits of the Bills; the Committee to have power to confer with any Committee appointed for a similar object by the Legislative Council.	Mr. Anderton, *Rev. Mr. Carr*, Mr. Coulter, Mr. Herring, Mr. Kyle, Mr. Munro, *Mr. Osborne*, Hon. Mr. Parry, Captain Rushworth, Mr. Smith, Mr. Wright.	Sept. 29, on motion of Hon. Mr. Parry.	New Plymouth Airport Bill referred, Sept. 16; Report, Oct. 20. Whangarei Airport Bill referred, Sept. 16; Report, Nov. 2. Borough of Ngaruawahia Empowering Bill referred, Sept. 16; Report, Oct. 22. New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering Bill referred, Sept. 16; Report, Oct. 8. Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 16; Report, Oct. 20. Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 17; Report, Nov. 4. Dunedin City Empowering Bill referred, Sept. 17; Report, Nov. 4. Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Bill referred, Sept. 23; Report, Oct. 22. Motueka Borough Council Empowering Bill referred, Sept. 28; Report, Oct. 22. Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 29; Report, Nov. 11. Auckland Metropolitan Milk Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 30; Report, Nov. 26. Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering Bill referred, Oct. 1; Report, Nov. 11. Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering Bill referred, Oct. 8; Report, Nov. 26. Dunedin City Corporation (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering Bill referred, Oct. 12; Report, Mar. 10. Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment Bill referred, Oct. 14; Report, Nov. 26. Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill referred, Oct. 20; Report, Dec. 8. Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill referred, Oct. 20; Report, Nov. 26. Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Bill referred, Oct. 20; Report, Dec. 2. Christchurch Domains Amendment Bill referred, Oct. 20; Report, Dec. 2. Name of Mr. Osborne discharged and that of Rev. Mr. Carr substituted, Oct. 21. Ashley River Improvement Amendment Bill referred, Oct. 21; Report, Mar. 11. Local Legislation Bill referred, Nov. 30; Report, Dec. 2. Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption Bill (No. 2) referred, Dec. 1; Report, Dec. 8. (For Report, *vide* Appendices, I.-16.)

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES—*continued.*

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill.—Consisting, by leave, of fourteen Members, to consider the Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill, and to report generally upon the provisions of the Bill.	Mr. Anderton, Hon. Mr. Barnard, Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Dickie, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Kyle, Mr. Munro, Mr. O'Brien, Hon. Mr. Parry, Mr. Robertson, Captain Rushworth, Mr. Thorn, and Mr. Williams.	Oct. 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Parry.	Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill referred, Oct. 28; special report *re* proceedings being open to press, Nov. 2; Report, Mar. 11. (For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.–6.)
National Health and Superannuation.—Consisting, by leave, of eleven members, to examine the proposals of the Government (1) to establish a National Health Service for the purpose of ensuring to all persons ordinarily resident in New Zealand (as occasion may require) adequate medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, dental, hospital, nursing, or other treatment necessary to maintain sound physical and mental health and to assist recovery in the event of sickness (including the establishment of a Nursing and Domestic Help Service to provide for skilled assistance in the home in cases where sickness, ill-health, or other circumstances render such assistance necessary), and (2) to establish a National Superannuation Service whereby provision shall be made that all persons ordinarily resident in New Zealand shall be assured of an adequate income to maintain them in reasonable comfort when they become unable to support themselves by reason of old age, infirmity, sickness, or other disability, or on account of widowhood or other special conditions, and to report to this House (*a*) generally on the proposals, with recommendations if the Committee thinks fit, as to their extension or limitation; (*b*) as to the best means to be adopted for the financing of the proposed services; (*c*) as to the administration of the proposed services; (*d*) as to the conditions subject to which persons shall be entitled to the benefits proposed to be conferred by the said services; (*e*) with respect to the co-ordination of the proposed services with any existing services of a like kind for which provision is made by public or private organizations or institutions; (*f*) as to such other matters in relation to the said proposals as the Committee thinks fit: That the Committee have power to consider any other matters relative to the above proposals that may from time to time be referred to it by the Government, and may report from time to time to the Government: That the Committee have power to sit on days on which the House is not sitting and during the recess and for twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next session, at such times and at such places as the Committee may see fit, and that, in the event of the Committee sitting during the recess, that it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament: That the proceedings of the Committee during the taking of evidence be open to accredited representatives of the press.	Mr. Atmore, Mr. Barnes, Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Holland, Mr. Kyle, Hon. Mr. Nash, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, and Right Hon. Mr. Savage.	Mar. 9, 1938, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage.	
Native Affairs.—Consisting, by leave, of seventeen members, to consider all petitions, reports, returns, and other documents relating to affairs especially affecting the Native race that may be referred to it, and from time to time to report thereon to this House.	Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. C. H. Burnett, Mr. Christie, Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Henare, Hon. Mr. Langstone, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Moncur, Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Ratana, Captain Rushworth, Right Hon. Mr. Savage, Mr. Smith, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Tirikatene.	Sept. 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage.	Papers Nos. 101, 102, 103, and 104 referred, Oct. 6; Report, Nov. 4. Papers Nos. 165, 166 referred, Nov. 2; Report, Mar. 10. Paper No. 192 referred, Nov. 15; Report, Mar. 10. Electoral Amendment Bill referred, Nov. 22; Report, Nov. 26. Petroleum Bill referred, Nov. 23; Report, Nov. 24. Native Purposes Bill referred, Mar. 8; Report, Mar. 9. (For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.–3.)

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES—*continued.*

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
Privileges.—Consisting of six Members, to consider and report upon any matters relating to or concerning the privileges of the House or the members thereof which may be referred to it by this House; with power to report from time to time upon any such matter.	Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Right Hon. Mr. Forbes, Mr. Howard, Hon. Mr. Mason, Captain Rushworth, Right Hon. Mr. Savage.	Sept. 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage.	No Report.
Public Accounts.—Consisting of ten Members, to examine into and report upon such questions relating to the public accounts as may be referred to it by the House or the Government, and also into all matters relating to the finances of the Dominion which the Government may refer to it.	Mr. Barnes, Mr. Broadfoot, Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Holyoake, Mr. Howard, Mr. Lee, Mr. McCombs, Hon. Mr. Nash, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Wilkinson.	Sept. 29, on motion of Hon. Mr. Nash.	(For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.-14.)
Public Health.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all matters relating to public health, infectious diseases, contagious diseases, hospitals, and to local authorities having charge of these matters, and to other matters affecting public health which may be referred to it.	Mr. Anderton, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Dickie, Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. Kyle, Dr. McMillan, Mr. Richards, Mr. Roy, Mr. Wright.	Sept 29, on motion of Right Hon. Mr. Savage (for Hon. Mr Fraser)	New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors Bill referred, Nov. 9. Health Amendment Bill referred, Mar. 4; Report, Mar. 9. (For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.-7.)
Public Petitions A to L.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all petitions from A to L that may be referred to it; to classify and prepare abstracts of such petitions in such form and manner as shall appear to it best suited to convey to this House all requisite information respecting their contents, and to report the same from time to time to this House; and to have power to report its opinions and observations thereon to this House.	Mr. Cotterill, Mr. Endean, Hon. Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hultquist, Mr. Neilson, Hon. Mr. Parry, Mr. Roy, Mr. Schramm, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Thorn.	Sept. 29, on motion of Hon. Mr. Parry.	(For reports, *vide* Appendices, I.-1.)
Public Petitions M to Z.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all petitions from M to Z that may be referred to it; to classify and prepare abstracts of such petitions in such form and manner as shall appear to it best suited to convey to this House all requisite information respecting their contents, and to report the same from time to time to this House; and to have power to report its opinions and observations thereon to this House.	*Rev. Mr. Carr*, Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Coulter, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Holland, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Neilson, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, *Mr. Osborne*, Hon. Mr. Semple.	Sept. 29, on motion of Hon. Mr. Semple.	Name of Rev. Mr. Carr discharged and that of Mr. Osborne substituted, Oct. 20. (For Reports, *vide* Appendices, I.-2.)
Selection (Private Bills)	Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Howard, Mr. O'Brien.	Sept. 29, on motion of Mr. Howard.	Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 28; Report, Oct. 1. Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering Bill referred, Sept. 30; Report, Oct. 1; further report, Oct. 7. Church of England Trusts Amendment Bill referred, Nov. 12; Report, Nov. 18. Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering Bill referred, Nov. 16; Report, Nov. 18. (For Reports, *vide* Journals.)
Statutes Revision.—Consisting of ten Members, to consider all Bills containing provisions of a technical legal character which may be referred to it, with power to confer and sit together with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council.	Hon. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Endean, Hon. Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Richards, Mr. Schramm, Mr. Sexton.	Sept. 29, on motion of Hon. Mr. Mason.	Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Bill referred, Nov. 3; Report, Nov. 17. (For Report, *vide* Journals.)

Schedule of Public Bills.

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Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Dec. 7	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 8.
Agricultural Workers Amendment ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Armstrong)	Dec. 8	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	..	Dec. 9	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 9.
Air Department	By Message (Hon. Mr. Jones)	Oct. 20	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	..	Oct. 28	..	..	Nov. 6	Introduced in Committee.
Air Force	By Message (Hon. Mr. Jones)	Oct. 20	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	..	Oct. 28	Nov. 4	Nov. 4	Nov. 6	Introduced in Committee.
Alsatian Dog	Legislative Council ..	Nov. 4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*Lapsed.*
Appropriation	Hon. Mr. Nash ..	Dec. 7	Dec. 7	Dec. 7	Dec. 7	..	Dec. 7	..	..	Dec. 9	Sitting extended by leave to enable Bill to be passed through all stages, Dec. 7.
Army Board	By Message (Hon. Mr. Jones)	Oct. 20	Oct. 26 Oct. 27	Oct. 28 Nov. 3	Nov. 3	..	Nov. 3	..	..	Nov. 6	Introduced in Committee.
Ashley River Improvement Amendment ..	Right Hon. Mr. Forbes	Oct. 21	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	..	Mar. 12	..	..	Mar. 15	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 21. Report, Mar. 11.
Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment	Hon. Mr. Mason ..	Oct. 20	Nov. 3 *pro forma* Nov. 26*	Nov. 26	Nov. 26	Nov. 26	Nov. 26	..	..	Dec. 11	Standing Orders suspended and Bill to proceed as a Public Bill, Oct. 20. Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Nov. 3. Report, Nov. 17.
Auckland Harbour Board Loan and Empowering	Mr. Schramm ..	Sept. 23	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	..	Oct. 28	..	..	Nov. 6	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 23. Report, Oct. 22.
Auckland Metropolitan Milk Amendment ..	Mr. Anderton ..	Sept. 30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 30. Report, Nov. 26. *Lapsed.*
Broadcasting Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Jones)	Oct. 20	Nov. 3 Nov. 4	Nov. 4	Nov. 4	..	Nov. 10	..	..	Nov. 19	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Nov. 4. Urgency accorded passing, Nov. 10.
Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption	Mr. Atmore	Sept. 21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Joint on Bills Committee, Sept. 21. Report that Bill a Public Bill, Nov. 11th. Order of Day for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, Dec. 2. *Lapsed.*
Christchurch Domains Amendment ..	Mr. Howard	Oct. 20	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 20. Report, Dec. 2. Referred to Lands Committee, Dec. 2. Report, Dec. 8.
Christchurch Tramway Board Empowering	Mr. Howard	Oct. 1	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	..	Nov. 18	..	..	Nov. 30	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 1. Report, Nov. 11.
Coal-mines Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Webb)	Nov. 3	Nov. 3 *pro forma* Nov. 22*	Nov. 22	Nov. 22	Nov. 22	Nov. 22	..	..	Nov. 30	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Goldfields and Mines Committee, Nov. 3. Report, Nov. 15.
Companies (Special Liquidations) Extension	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Nov. 15	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	..	Nov. 18	..	..	Nov. 19	Introduced in Committee.
Dogs Registration Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Dec. 8	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	..	Dec. 9	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 9.
Dunedin City *Corporation* (Suburban Water Charges) Empowering	Mr. Munro	Oct. 12	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	..	Mar. 12	..	..	Mar. 15	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 12. Report, Mar. 10.
Dunedin City Empowering	Mr. Munro	Sept. 17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 17. Report, Nov. 4. Order of Day for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, Nov. 11. *Lapsed.*

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Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment	Mr. Munro	Sept. 29	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	..	Nov. 18	..	..	Nov. 30	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 29. Report, Nov. 11.
Education Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Mar. 15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Introduced in Committee. *Lapsed.*
Electoral Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Nov. 15	Nov. 22 *pro forma* Nov. 30*	Nov. 30 Dec. 1	Dec. 1	..	Dec. 1	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Native Affairs Committee, Nov. 22. Report, Nov. 26.
Expiring Laws Continuance	Right Hon. Mr. Savage	Sept. 9 *pro forma*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*Lapsed.*
Fair Rents Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Sept. 23	Sept. 24	Sept. 24	Sept. 24	..	Sept. 24	..	..	Sept. 30	Introduced in Committee.
Finance	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Nov. 16	Nov. 22 Nov. 23 Nov. 24	Nov. 24	Nov. 24	Nov. 24	Nov. 24	Nov. 24	..	Dec. 1	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded first reading and proceedings preliminary thereto, Nov. 16. Urgency accorded passing; urgency accorded proceedings on His Excellency's Message about to be introduced and to the passing of the Bill; Governor-General's Message transmitting draft of amendments; same read and agreed to and referred to Committee on Bill, Nov. 24.
Finance (No. 2)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Mar. 9	Mar. 11	Mar. 11 Mar. 12	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	..	..	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded proceedings on Message and on proceedings up to and including first reading, Mar. 9. Urgency accorded passing of Bill, Mar. 11. Bill recommitted, Mar. 12.
Funeral Directors Registration	Mr. McKeen	Sept. 30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Order of the Day for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, Nov. 3. *Lapsed.*
Greymouth Harbour Board Reconstitution	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Dec. 7	Mar. 4	Mar. 4	Mar. 4	..	Mar. 4	..	..	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee.
Hamilton Borough Council Empowering Amendment	Mr. Barrell	Oct. 20	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 20. Report, Dec. 8.
Health Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Dec. 7	Mar. 4 *pro forma*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Public Health Committee, Mar. 4. Report, Mar. 9. *Lapsed.*
Hurunui Licensing Committee Enabling ..	Right Hon. Mr. Forbes	Sept. 30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Joint on Bills Committee, Sept. 30. Report that Bill a Public Bill, Nov. 11. *Lapsed.*
Imprest Supply	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	..	Sept. 14	..	..	Sept. 15	Introduced in Committee. Governor-General's Message recommending that provision be made, &c., referred to Committee of Supply; urgency accorded passing of Bill and proceedings preliminary thereto; Standing Order 256 suspended; resolution reported and agreed to; resolution referred to Committee of Ways and Means; resolution reported and agreed to, Sept. 14.
Imprest Supply (No. 2)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Nov. 2	Nov. 2	Nov. 2	Nov. 2	..	Nov. 2	..	..	Nov. 6	Introduced in Committee. Governor-General's Message recommending that provision be made, &c., referred to Committee of Supply; urgency accorded; resolution reported and agreed to; resolution referred to Committee of Ways and Means; resolution reported and agreed to, Nov. 2.
Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Webb)	Sept. 16	Sept. 28	Sept. 28	Sept. 28	..	Sept. 28	..	..	Sept. 30	Introduced in Committee.

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Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Armstrong)	Nov. 4	Nov. 4 *pro forma* Nov. 10* Nov. 11*	Nov. 11	Nov. 11	Nov. 11	Nov. 11	..	..	Nov. 16	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Labour Bills Committee, Nov. 4. Report, Nov. 9. Urgency accorded passing, Nov. 11.
Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 3)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Armstrong)	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	..	Nov. 18	..	..	Nov. 19	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Nov. 18.
Iron and Steel Industry	By Message (Hon. Mr. Sullivan)	Mar. 4	Mar. 8 Mar. 9 Mar. 10	Mar. 10 Mar. 11	Mar. 11	Mar. 11	Mar. 11	..	..	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded proceedings on Message and on proceedings up to and including First Reading, Mar. 4. Urgency accorded passing of Bill; amendment to motion for second reading to refer Bill back to Government for further inquiry, &c., negatived on division, Mar. 10. Urgency accorded passing of Bill, Mar. 11.
Land and Income Tax (Annual)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Oct. 8	Oct. 12 Oct. 13	Oct. 14	Oct. 14	..	Oct. 14	..	..	Oct. 19	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded first and preliminary proceedings, Oct. 8. Urgency accorded passing, Oct. 12. Urgency accorded passing, Oct. 13. Urgency accorded passing, Oct. 14.
Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Oct. 27	Oct. 28 *pro forma*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Local Government (Amalgamation Schemes) Bill Committee, Oct. 28. Special Report *re* proceedings being open to press: resolution adopted and agreed to, Nov. 2. Report, Mar. 11. *Lapsed.*
Local Legislation	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Nov. 30	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Nov. 30. Report, Dec. 2. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 8.
Mining Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Webb)	Nov. 26	Nov. 26 *pro forma*	Dec. 1	Dec. 1	..	Dec. 1	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Goldfields and Mines Committee, Nov. 26. Report, Nov. 30. Governor-General's Message forwarding amendment; same read and agreed to; message to Legislative Council, Dec. 7. Message from Legislative Council agreeing, Dec. 8.
Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Nov. 30	Dec. 1 Dec. 2	Dec. 2	Dec. 2	Dec. 2	Dec. 2	..	..	Dec. 22	Introduced in Committee. Governor-General's Message forwarding amendments; same read and agreed to and referred together with resolution to Committee on Bill, Dec. 1.
Motueka Borough Council Empowering ..	Mr. Holyoake	Sept. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	..	Oct. 28	Nov. 5	Nov. 11	Nov. 16	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 28. Report, Oct. 22.
Municipal Corporations Amendment ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Mar. 15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Introduced in Committee. *Lapsed.*
Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment ..	Mr. Christie (for Hon. Mr. Barnard)	Oct. 20	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 20. Report, Nov. 26.
Native Purposes	By Message (Hon. Mr. Langstone)	Mar. 8	Mar. 8 *pro forma*	Mar. 11	Mar. 11	..	Mar. 11	..	..	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Native Affairs Committee, Mar. 8. Report, Mar. 9.

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New Plymouth Airport	Mr. Smith	Sept. 16	Nov. 11	Nov. 11	Nov. 11	Nov. 11	Nov. 11	..	..	Nov. 19	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 16. Report, Oct. 20. Referred to Lands Committee, Oct. 20. Report, Nov. 4. Governor-General's Message recommending that provision be made in so far as rights of Crown affected; same read and agreed to and referred together with resolution to Committee on Bill, Nov. 11.
New Plymouth Borough Council Empowering	Mr. Smith	Sept. 16	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	..	Oct. 28	..	..	Nov. 6	Referred to Local Bills Committee. Sept. 16. Report, Oct. 8.
New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors	Mr. McKeen	Nov. 9	Nov. 9 *pro forma*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Public Health Committee, Nov. 9. *Lapsed.*
New Zealand Institute of Clerks of Works ..	Mr. Munro (for Mr. Chapman)	Sept. 16	Sept. 29 *pro forma*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Labour Bills Committee, Sept. 29. Report, Nov. 11. *Lapsed.*
Ngaruawahia Borough Council Empowering	Hon. Mr. Lee Martin ..	Sept. 16	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	..	Oct. 28	Nov. 9	..	Nov. 10	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 16. Report, Oct. 22. Amendment agreed to with amendment; Mr. Coulter, Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, and Mr. Petrie appointed a Committee to prepare reasons for amending Council's amendment; reasons brought up; read and agreed to; Message to Legislative Council acquainting them that House had agreed to amendment with amendment and transmitting reasons for such amendment, Nov. 11. Message from Legislative Council agreeing to further amendment, Nov. 12.
Pensions Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Mar. 3	Mar. 4	Mar. 8	Mar. 8	..	Mar. 8	..	..	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee.
Petroleum	By Message (Hon. Mr. Webb)	Nov. 16	Nov. 16 *pro forma* Dec. 6* Dec. 9*	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded first reading and proceedings preliminary thereto; referred to Goldfields and Mines Committee, Nov. 16. Report, Nov. 23. Referred to Native Affairs Committee, Nov. 23. Report, Nov. 24. Referred to Goldfields and Mines Committee, Nov. 24. Report, Dec. 2. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 6. Amendment to question that Bill be committed withdrawn by leave; urgency accorded passing, Dec. 9.
Physical Welfare and Recreation ..	By Message (Hon Mr. Parry)	Oct. 26	Nov. 15 Nov. 17	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	..	Nov. 18	..	..	Nov. 30	Introduced in Committee.
Primary Products Marketing Amendment ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Dec. 1	Dec. 2 Dec. 3	Dec. 3	Dec. 3	Dec. 3	Dec. 3	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 3.
Reserves and other Lands Disposal ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Langstone)	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	..	..	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Lands Committee, Mar. 14. Report, Mar. 14. Urgency accorded passing, Mar. 14.
Sale of Wool	By Message (Hon. Mr. Lee Martin)	Oct. 20	Nov. 15	Nov. 18 Nov. 19	Nov 19	..	Nov. 19	..	..	Nov. 30	Introduced in Committee.
School of Agriculture	By Message (Hon. Mr. Lee Martin)	Dec. 7	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 8.

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Share-milking Agreements	By Message (Hon. Mr. Armstrong)	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	..	Mar. 14	..	..	Mar. 16	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Mar. 14. Sitting extended beyond 10.30 p.m. by leave to enable the Bill to be further considered, Mar. 14.
Slaughter of Stock and Inspection of Meat ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Lee Martin)	Mar. 12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Introduced in Committee. *Lapsed.*
Sovereign's Birthday Observance	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Dec. 7	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 8.
State Advances Corporation Amendment ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Dec. 7	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	..	Dec. 9	..	..	Dec. 11	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 8. Urgency accorded passing, Dec. 9.
Statutes Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Mar. 11	Mar. 12 Mar. 14	Mar 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 14	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee. Governor-General's Message forwarding amendments; same read and agreed to and referred to Committee on Bill, Mar. 12. Governor-General's Message forwarding amendments; same read and agreed to, and referred to Committee on Bill, Mar, 14. Urgency accorded passing, Mar. 14. Progress reported; sitting extended beyond 10.30 p.m. by leave to enable Bill to be further considered, Mar. 14.
Taupiri Drainage and River District Amendment	Mr. Coulter	Oct. 14	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 14. Report, Nov. 26.
Thames Borough Commissioner Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Mar. 9	Mar. 11	Mar. 11	Mar. 11	..	Mar. 11	..	..	Mar. 15	Introduced in Committee.
Thames Valley Drainage Board Empowering	Mr. Coulter	Oct. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 8. Report, Nov. 26.
Timaru Harbour Board Loan Amendment ..	Rev. Mr. Carr ..	Sept. 17	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	..	Nov. 18	..	..	Nov. 30	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 17. Report, Nov. 4.
Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Oct. 5	Oct. 6	Oct. 6	Oct. 6	..	Oct. 6	..	..	Oct. 9	Introduced in Committee; urgency accorded passing of resolution and first reading of Bill; resolution introduced in Committee of Ways and Means, read a second time and agreed to, and referred to Committee on the Bill, Oct. 5. Urgency accorded, Oct. 6.
Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment	Mr. Cotterill	Sept. 16	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	Oct. 28	..	Oct. 28	..	..	Nov. 19	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 16. Report, Oct. 20.
Wellington City Empowering and Amendment	Mr. Munro (for Mr. Chapman)	Oct. 20	Dec. 8	Dec. 8 Dec. 9	Dec. 9	..	Dec. 9	..	..	Dec. 11	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Oct. 20. Report, Dec. 2. Referred to Lands Committee, Dec. 2. Report, Dec. 8. Governor-General's Message recommending that provision be made in so far as rights of Crown affected; same read and agreed to, and referred together with resolution to Committee on Bill; by leave passing of Bill through remaining stages at present sitting agreed to, Dec. 9.

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC BILLS—*continued.*

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduction and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Committal.	Report.	Consideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amendments of Legislative Council.	Amendments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	REMARKS.
Whangarei Airport	Mr. Barclay	Sept. 16	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	Nov. 18	..	Nov. 18	Nov. 26	..	Dec. 1	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 16. Report, Nov. 2. Referred to Lands Committee, Nov. 2. Report, Nov. 11. Governor-General's Message recommending that provision be made in so far as rights of Crown affected; same read and agreed to, and referred together with resolution to Committee on Bill, Nov. 18. Amendment of Legislative Council disagreed with; Mr. Coleman, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, and Mr. Barclay appointed a Committee to prepare reasons; reasons brought up; same read and agreed to; Message to Legislative Council, Nov. 26. Message from Legislative Council insisting on amendment and forwarding reasons; reasons read and disagreed with; Message to Legislative Council requesting Conference; Mr. Barclay, Mr. Barnes, and Mr. Coleman appointed Managers, Nov. 29. Message from Legislative Council agreeing to Conference, and naming hour and place; report brought up; same read and agreed to; Message to Legislative Council, Nov. 30. Message from Legislative Council agreeing, Dec. 1.

Schedule of Private Bills.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduction and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Committal.	Report.	Consideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amendments of Legislative Council.	Amendments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	Remarks.
Cawthron Institute Trust Board Rating Exemption (No. 2)	Mr. Atmore	Dec. 1	Dec. 1 *pro forma*	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	Dec. 8	..	..	Dec. 11	Standing Orders relating to Private Bills suspended and Bill to proceed as a Public Bill; referred to Local Bills Committee, Dec. 1. Report, Dec. 8.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduction and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Referred to Committee of Selection.	Report of Committee of Selection.	Report of Committee on Bill.	Consideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amendments of Legislative Council.	Amendments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	Remarks.
Church of England Trusts Amendment ..	Legislative Council	Nov. 9	Nov. 12	Nov. 12	Nov. 18	Nov. 24	..	Nov. 29	..	..	Nov. 30	..
Hamilton Parsonage Site Amendment ..	Mr. Barrell ..	Sept. 24	Sept. 28	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 6	..	Oct. 8	..	..	Nov. 6	Petition for leave to bring in Bill and endorsement thereon of Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills read and Bill ordered to be introduced, Sept. 22.
Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Empowering	Mr. Atmore ..	Sept. 24	Sept. 30	Sept. 30	Oct. 1 Oct. 7	Oct. 12	..	Oct. 15	Nov. 9	Nov. 12	Nov. 16	Petition for leave to bring in Bill and endorsement thereon of Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills read and Bill ordered to be introduced, Sept. 22. Petition of W. E. A. Gibbs referred to Committee of Selection, Sept. 28. Bill referred back by Committee on Bill to Committee of Selection to be dealt with as an unopposed Bill, Oct. 7.
Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees (Church of England) Empowering	Legislative Council	Nov. 9	Nov. 16	Nov. 16	Nov. 18	Nov. 24	..	Nov. 29	..	..	Nov. 30	..

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Oct. 19	128	Abortion in New Zealand: Report of Committee of Inquiry into various Aspects of the Problem of Abortion. (By leave)	H.–31A.
..	..	Agricultural Seeds. (*Vide* Stock Act, 1908.)	
Oct. 5	100	Agricultural Workers Act, 1936, Regulations under the, relating to accommodation. (By Act.)	
Nov. 9	173	Agriculture, Department of: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By command)	H.–29.
Oct. 20	146	Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, and Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936, Butter-marketing Regulations under the. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	65	Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Regulations under the, relating to Butter Marketing (Wellington District), Dairy Board Election, Special Milk Products, Export Butter-box Pool, and Dairy Factory Supply. (By Act.)	
..	..	Agriculture. (*Vide* Canterbury Agricultural College; Massey Agricultural College.)	
Nov. 15	194	Apiaries Act, 1927, Apiary Registration Regulations under the. (By Act.)	
..	..	Art Gallery, National. (*Vide* National Art Gallery.)	
..	..	Auckland Harbour Board Superannuation Fund. (*Vide* Local Authorities Superannuation Act, 1908.)	
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..	..	Baconer Grading Regulations. (*Vide* Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908.)	
Sept. 10	27	Bank of New Zealand: Balance-sheet as at 31st March, 1937. (By Act) ..	B.–15.
..	..	Belgium, Trade Arrangement with. (*Vide* Customs Amendment Act, 1921.)	
..	..	Blankets, Second-hand, Importation of. (*Vide* Customs Act, 1913.)	
Dec. 6	218	Board of Native Affairs: Annual Report on Native-land Development for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By leave)	G.–10.
		Board of Trade Act, 1919:—	
Mar. 12	251	Fertilizer Price Regulations, 1938, under the. (By Act.)	
Mar. 12	248	Onion Regulations, 1938, under the. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	69	Regulations under the, relating to the Production, Grading, and Sale of Onions. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	70	Further Regulations under the, relating to the Sale of Onions. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	71	Regulations under the, fixing the Price of Oranges. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	72	Further Regulations under the, fixing the Price of Oranges. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	73	Further Regulations under the, fixing the Price of Oranges. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	74	Further Regulations under the, fixing the Price of Oranges. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	66	Regulations under the, fixing the Sale and Purchase-prices of Raw Tobacco. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	67	Further Regulations under the, fixing the Sale and Purchase-prices of Raw Tobacco. (By Act.)	
Sept. 23	68	Regulations under the, relating to Wheat and Flour. (By Act.)	
Mar. 12	249	Wheat and Flour Regulations, 1938, under the. (By Act.)	
..	..	Boots and Shoes, Duty on. (*Vide* Customs Amendment Act, 1921.)	
..	..	Boundary Commissions. (*Vide* Representation Commissions.)	
Sept. 29	90	Broadcasting Act, 1936: Regulations under the, providing for Payment to the Post Office Account from the Broadcasting Account of certain Moneys in respect of the Issue of Receiving-station Licenses. (By Act.)	
..	..	Bronze Coin. (*Vide* Customs Act, 1913.)	
..	..	Budget, 1937. (*Vide* Financial Statement.)	
..	..	Buller County Council Superannuation Fund. (*Vide* Local Authorities Superannuation Act, 1908.)	
..	..	Butter-box Pool (Export). (*Vide* Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934.)	
..	..	Butter Marketing. (*Vide* Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934.)	
..	..	Butter Marketing (Wellington District). (*Vide* Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934.)	
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..	..	Camping-grounds. (*Vide* Health Act, 1920.)	
..	..	Canada, Trade Agreement with. (*Vide* Customs Amendment Act, 1921.)	
Sept. 10	9	Canterbury Agricultural College: Annual Report, with Statement of Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1936. (By Act.)	
Nov. 11	179	Canterbury Provincial Buildings Board: Statement of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act.)	
..	..	Child-welfare. (*Vide* Education.)	
..	..	Children, State care of. (*Vide* Education.)	
Nov. 2	163	Cinematograph Films Act, 1928, Order in Council amending Regulations under the, relating to censorship of posters. (By Act.)	
..	..	Civil Service. (*Vide* Public Service Commissioners.)	
..	..	Clothing, Second-hand, Importation of. (*Vide* Customs Act, 1913.)	
		Coal-mines Act, 1925, Assignment of Leases and Licenses under. (By Act):—	
Sept. 10	34	W. Blackadder to T. L. Bennett and C. Bennett.	
Sept. 10	35	A. Clark to Mangapeehi Coal-mining Co., Ltd.	
Sept. 10	36	D. McLaughlin to D. Q. O'Brien, G. Shaw, W. H. Smith, and J. M. Gray.	

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		COAL-MINES ACT, 1925, Assignment of Leases and Licenses under. (By Act)—*contd.*	
Sept. 10	37	F. Williams, J. Taylor, and C. N. Taylor to Wallsend Taylorville Estates, Ltd.	
Sept. 10	38	Wairaki Coal Co., Ltd., to Wairaki Coal Co., Ltd.	
Sept. 10	39	Wairaki Coal Co., Ltd., to Wairaki Coal Co., Ltd.	
Sept. 10	40	Wairaki Coal Co., Ltd., to Wairaki Coal Co, Ltd.	
Sept. 10	41	J. H. Harliwich to Bank of New Zealand.	
Nov. 11	180	Hydro Coal-mines, Ltd., to Bailie and Co., Ltd.	
..	..	COAL-MINES, STATE. (*Vide* STATE COAL-MINES.)	
..	..	COCKSFOOT-SEED. (*Vide* SEEDS IMPORTATION ACT, 1927.)	
..	..	COIN, BRONZE AND SILVER. (*Vide* CUSTOMS ACT, 1913.)	
..	..	COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, Trade Agreement with. (*Vide* CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1921.)	
Oct. 20	143	COOK ISLANDS: Report on the Administration of, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By command)	A.–3.
		COUNTY COUNCILS' ACCOUNTS. (By Act):—	
Sept. 10	17	For Year 1936–37.	
Sept. 10	18	For Year 1935–36.	
Sept. 10	21	For Year 1934–35.	
Sept. 28	82	For Years 1935–36 and 1936–37.	
Dec. 6	216	For Year 1935–36.	
Dec. 6	217	For Year 1936–37.	
Mar. 8	236	For Years 1935–36 and 1936–37.	
		CUSTOMS ACT, 1913:—	
Sept. 21	52	Customs Export Prohibition Order No. 1, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Export of *Phormium tenax* Plants and Seeds. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	51	Customs Export Prohibition Order No. 2, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Export of White-pine Timber. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	50	Customs Export Prohibition Order No. 3, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Export of Cast-iron Scrap Metal. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	49	Customs Export Prohibition Order No. 4, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Export of Fish. (By Act.)	
Oct. 28	160	Customs Export Prohibition Order No. 5, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Export of Arms, Explosives, and Military and Naval Stores to the New Hebrides. (By Act.)	
Oct. 20	147	Customs Export Prohibition Order No. 6, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Export of Scrap Metal. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	55	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 5, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Importation of Pumps for Motor-spirit. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	56	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 6, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Importation of Used or Second-hand Sacks. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	54	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 7, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Importation of Onions. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	53	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 8, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Importation of certain Stock Foods. (By Act.)	
Oct. 28	159	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 9, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Importation of Second-hand Clothing. (By Act.)	
Oct. 28	158	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 10, 1937, under the, prohibiting the Importation of (1) Bronze Coin, and (2) Coin not referred to in Coined Silver Regulations, 1931. (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	231	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 1, 1938, under the, prohibiting the Importation of Second-hand Blankets and Rugs. (By Act.)	
Mar. 15	255	Customs Import Prohibition Order No. 2, 1938, under the, prohibiting the Importation of Second-hand Saddlery and Harness and Second-hand Rugs and Covers for Cattle and other Animals. (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	232	Proclamation under, revoking the Prohibition of the Importation of Optanine (Hops Substitute). (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	226	CUSTOMS ACT AMENDMENT ACT, 1930, and CUSTOMS ACTS AMENDMENT ACT, 1932, Customs Surtax Order, 1938, made under, exempting certain Goods from Surtax. (By Act.)	
		CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1921:—	
Oct. 20	148	Customs Agreement Application Order, 1937, under the, applying the Duties provided for in the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Germany) Ratification Act, 1937, to Goods from certain other Countries. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	47	Customs Tariff Amendment Order No. 1, 1937, made under the, altering Rates of Duty on Maize. (By Act.)	
Oct. 20	149	Customs Tariff Amendment Order No. 2, 1937, under the, altering the Rates of Duty on Nails and White Lead. (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	230	Customs Tariff Amendment Order No. 1, 1938, under the, altering the Rates of Duty on Footwear. (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	229	Customs Tariff Amendment Order No. 2, 1938, under the, altering the Rates of Duty on certain Goods under the General Tariff. (By Act.)	
Oct. 7	111	Order in Council under the, extending the Duration of the Trade Agreement between New Zealand and Canada. (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	227	Order under, 1938, modifying the Trade Agreement between New Zealand and Canada. (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	228	Order under, 1938, modifying the Trade Agreement between New Zealand and Australia. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	48	Trade Arrangement with Belgium (Application to Greece) Order, under the, applying the Duties and Exemptions from Duty provided for in the Trade Arrangement (New Zealand and Belgium) Ratification Act, 1933, to Goods from Greece. (By Act.)	
Mar. 4	225	Wine Duty (South Africa) Order, 1938, made under the, altering Duty on South African wines. (By Act.)	
Sept. 21	46	CUSTOMS AND OTHER REVENUE: Cost of Collection by Customs Department, Return of, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By command)	B.–12.

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..	..	DAIRY BOARD ELECTION. (*Vide* AGRICULTURE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1934.)	
..	..	DEEDS REGISTRATION. (*Vide* LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION.)	
Sept. 10	2	DEEDS REGISTRATION ACT, 1908, Amended Regulations under the. (By Act.)	
..	..	DEFENCE. (*Vide* NAVAL DEFENCE.)	
		DEFENCE ACT, 1909:—	
Mar. 14	252	Amending Regulations made pursuant to, relating to the Financial Instructions and Allowance Regulations for New Zealand Military Forces. (By Act.)	
Sept. 10	13	Regulations under the. (By Act.)	
Oct. 6	105	DEFENCE FORCES OF NEW ZEALAND: Annual Report of the General Officer Commanding the New Zealand Military Forces, for Year ended 31st May, 1937. (By command)	H.–19.
..	..	DESIGNS AND TRADE-MARKS. (*Vide* PATENTS, DESIGNS, AND TRADE-MARKS.)	
Sept. 10	6	DENTISTS ACT, 1936, Dental Regulations under the. (By Act.)	
Nov. 9	175	DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	C.–9.
..	..	DOMAINS, PUBLIC. (*Vide* PUBLIC DOMAINS AND NATIONAL PARKS.)	
..	..	DOMINION MUSEUM. (*Vide* NATIONAL ART GALLERY.)	
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		EAST COAST NATIVE TRUST LANDS:—	
Nov. 2	166	Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts for Period 1st July, 1936, to 30th June, 1937. (By Act)	G.–4.
Nov. 2	165	Mangatu Nos. 1, 3, and 4 Blocks: Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts for the Period 1st July, 1936, to 30th June, 1937. (By Act)	G.–3.
		EDUCATION:—	
Dec. 7	221	Child-welfare, State Care of Children, Special Schools, and Infant-life Protection, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By command)	E.–4.
Nov. 4	168	Higher Education, Report on, for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By command)	E.–7.
Nov. 4	167	Native Children, Education of: Report of Inspector of Native Schools for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By Act)	E.–3.
Dec. 7	220	Primary and Post-primary Education: Reports of Chief Inspectors and of the Superintendent of Technical Education for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By command)	E.–2.
Oct. 12	120	Report of the Minister of Education for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By command)	E.–1.
Sept. 10	1	ELECTORAL ACT, 1927, Notification under the, of Appointment of Members of Representation Commissions. (By Act.)	
..	..	ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES. (*Vide* ELECTORAL ACT, 1927.)	
..	..	ELECTORAL COMMISSIONS. (*Vide* REPRESENTATION COMMISSIONS.)	
..	..	ELECTRICAL SUPPLY REGULATIONS. (*Vide* PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1928.)	
..	..	ELECTRICAL WIRING REGULATIONS. (*Vide* PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1928.)	
..	..	EMPLOYMENT PROMOTION ACT, 1936. (*Vide* LABOUR DEPARTMENT (EMPLOYMENT DIVISION).)	
..	..	ENDOWMENTS, NATIONAL. (*Vide* LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT.)	
..	..	ESTIMATES, 1937–38. (*Vide* FINANCIAL STATEMENT.)	
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..	..	FERTILIZER PRICE REGULATIONS. (*Vide* BOARD OF TRADE ACT, 1919.)	
		FINANCE:—	
Sept. 10	27	Bank of New Zealand: Balance-sheet as at 31st March, 1937. (By Act) ..	B.–15.
Sept. 10	3	Land Settlement Finance Act, 1909: Statement required to be made by the Public Trustee showing the Revenue Account and Balance-sheet of every Association under the, as at 31st March, 1937. (By Act.)	
Sept. 10	19	National Provident Fund: Annual Report of Board for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By Act)	H.–17.
Sept. 22	64	National Provident Fund, Statement of Amounts paid into, by way of State Subsidy, during Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By Act)	H.–17A.
Sept. 28	86	Public Accounts for Year 1936–37. (By Act)	B.–1 [Pt. I].
Oct. 14	125	Public Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937, with Report of the Controller and Auditor-General. (By Act)	B.–1 [Pt. II].
Sept. 28	87	Public Accounts for Year 1936–37, also Statement showing the Public Debt of Dominion as at 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	B.–1 [Pt. III].
Dec. 9	223	Government Departments: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	B.–1 [Pt. IV].
Nov. 23	205	Public Accounts: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of various Government Departments for Year 1935–36. (By Act)	B.–1 [Pt. IV], Sup. to 1936.
Sept. 10	26	Public Debt Repayment: Report and Accounts of Public Debt Commission for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	B.–2.
Nov. 22	202	Public Securities held in the Dominion or elsewhere as on 31st March, 1937; with an Account of all Securities redeemed or otherwise disposed of during the Year. (By Act)	B.–10.
Sept. 29	89	Public Service Superannuation Board: Annual Report, with Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	H.–26.
Sept. 28	88	Reserve Bank of New Zealand: Annual Report of Board of Directors, with Statement of Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	B.–16.

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Sept. 28	81	Rural Intermediate Credit Board: Accounts for Year ended 30th June, 1937. (By Act.)	
Sept. 28	80	Rural Intermediate Credit Board, Report of the, for Year ended 30th June, 1937. (By Act)	B.–14.
Sept. 21	45	State Advances Corporation of New Zealand: Report of Board of Management, with Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	B.–13A.
Sept. 10	28	State Advances Office: Annual Report by Minister, showing Applications for State-guaranteed Loans. (By Act.)	
..	..	*Vide* FINANCIAL STATEMENT.	
Sept. 28	85	FINANCIAL STATEMENT, by the Hon. W. Nash, Minister of Finance, with the Estimates of Expenditure (Consolidated Fund and Public Works Fund) for Year ending 31st March, 1938. (By leave)	B.–6.
		FIRE BOARDS' ACCOUNTS. (By Act):—	
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Sept. 23	75	For Year 1936–37.	
Oct. 13	124	For Years 1934–35, 1935–36, and 1936–37.	
Oct. 2	152	For Years 1935–36 and 1936–37.	
Oct. 29	161	For Years 1935–36 and 1936–37.	
Nov. 11	182	For Years 1935–36 and 1936–37.	
Nov. 26	208	For Years 1935–36 and 1936–37.	
Dec. 6	219	For Year 1936–37.	
Mar. 8	240	For Years 1935–36 and 1936–37.	
Mar. 9	242	FIRE BRIGADES OF THE DOMINION, Report on, by Inspector of Fire Brigades, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By command)	H.–12.
..	..	FISH, Export of. (*Vide* CUSTOMS ACT, 1913.)	
..	..	FISHERIES (SEA) OF NEW ZEALAND. (*Vide* SEA FISHERIES INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE.)	H.–44A.
..	..	FLAX, Export of. (*Vide* CUSTOMS ACT, 1913.)	
..	..	FLAX REGULATIONS. (*Vide* INDUSTRIAL EFFICIENCY ACT, 1936.)	
..	..	FLOUR REGULATIONS. (*Vide* BOARD OF TRADE ACT, 1919.)	
..	..	FOOTWEAR, DUTY ON. (*Vide* CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1921.)	
..	..	FORESTRY. (*Vide* STATE FOREST SERVICE.)	
Sept. 22	63	FRIENDLY SOCIETIES AND TRADE-UNIONS: Annual Report by Registrar of Friendly Societies for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By Act)	H.–1.
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Nov. 12	183	GENERAL ASSEMBLY LIBRARY: Report of the Chief Librarian for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By leave)	H.–32.
..	..	GERMANY, TRADE AGREEMENT WITH. (*Vide* CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1921.)	
Dec. 9	223	GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	B.–1 [Pt IV].
Sept. 17	43	GOVERNMENT INSURANCE DEPARTMENT: Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1936. (By Act)	H.–8.
..	..	GOVERNMENT PRINTER. (*Vide* PRINTING AND STATIONERY DEPARTMENT.)	
Nov. 2	162	GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS: Railways Statement by the Minister, with Report of the General Manager, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	D.–2.
Oct. 12	123	GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS SUPERANNUATION FUND: Report of Board for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	D.–5.
..	..	GREECE, Trade Arrangement with. (*Vide* CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1921.)	
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		HARBOUR BOARDS ACCOUNTS. (By Act):—	
Mar. 15	253	For Year 1935–36.	
Mar. 15	254	For Year 1935.	
..	..	HARNESS, SECOND-HAND, Importation of. (*Vide* Customs Act, 1913.)	
Nov. 11	178	HAURAKI PLAINS, Drainage Operation in: Report on, with Statements of Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	C.–8.
Sept. 10	4	HEALTH ACT, 1920, Camping-ground Regulations issued under the. (By Act.)	
Sept. 22	62	HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Annual Report of Director-General, for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By Act)	H.–31.
..	..	HEALTH RESORTS. (*Vide* TOURIST AND HEALTH RESORTS AND PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT.)	
..	..	HIGHER EDUCATION. (*Vide* EDUCATION.)	
..	..	HOPS SUBSTITUTE (OPTANINE), Importation of. (*Vide* CUSTOMS ACT, 1913.)	
OCT. 5	99	HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS AMENDMENT ACT, 1932, Order in Council under the, constituting the Thames, Waihi, and Coromandel Hospital Districts one Hospital District. (By Act.)	
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Sept. 22	61	IMPERIAL CONFERENCE, 1937: Summary of Proceedings. (By command) ..	A.–7.
Oct. 5	96	INDUSTRIAL CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION ACT, 1925, Amended Regulations under the. (By Act.)	
..	..	INDUSTRIAL DIVISION, LABOUR DEPARTMENT. (*Vide* LABOUR DEPARTMENT.)	
Mar. 12	250	INDUSTRIAL EFFICIENCY ACT, 1936, Flax Regulations, 1938, under the. (By Act.)	
..	..	INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH. (*Vide* SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH, DEPARTMENT OF.)	

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..	..	INFANT-LIFE PROTECTION. (*Vide* EDUCATION.)	
..	..	INSANITY. (*Vide* MENTAL HOSPITALS OF THE DOMINION.)	
		INSURANCE COMPANIES' RETURNS. (By Act):—	
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Mar. 8	241	For Years 1933–34, 1935–36, 1936–37, and 1937.	
Oct. 19	129	INTERNAL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1937. (By leave)	H.–29.
..	..	INTERNAL MARKETING. (*Vide* PICOT BROTHERS.)	
		INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE:—	
Nov. 11	181	Report of New Zealand Government Delegation on the Twenty-third Session of the Conference held at Geneva in 1937. (By leave)	A.–5c.
Nov. 12	186	Report of the New Zealand Employers' Delegate to the Twentieth Session of the Conference held at Geneva in June, 1936. (By leave.)	
Nov. 12	185	Report of the New Zealand Government Delegate to the Twentieth Session of the Conference held at Geneva in June, 1936. (By leave.)	
Nov. 12	184	Report of the New Zealand Workers' Delegate to the Twentieth Session of the Conference, held at Geneva in June, 1936. (By leave.)	
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				5
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				181
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		h. m.		
Hours of sitting before midnight		385 55		
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			h. m.	
			405	9
Daily average			5	57
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				1,076
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					H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
1875	20 July ..	21 October ..	94	59	..	..	418 15	7 5
1876	15 June ..	31 „ ..	139	85	..	..	853 10	10 28
1877	19 July ..	10 December	145	97	..	..	..	..
1878	26 „ ..	2 November..	100	64	..	..	415 0	7 0
*1879	24 September	19 December	87	55	..	..	413 0	7 30
1880	28 May ..	1 September	97	64	..	..	524 0	8 20
1881	9 June ..	24 „	108	72	..	..	565 0	7 50
1882	18 May ..	15 „	121	78	..	..	609 0	7 48
1883	14 June ..	8 „	86	58	..	..	432 0	7 27
*1884	7 August ..	10 November..	96	56	..	..	376 0	6 42
1885	11 June ..	22 September	104	69	..	..	395 0	5 43
1886	13 May ..	18 August ..	98	65	..	..	476 0	7 19
*1887	6 October ..	22 December	78	27	..	..	193 15	7 9
1888	10 May ..	30 August ..	113	68	444 0	110 30	554 30	8 9
1889	20 June ..	16 September	89	53	326 0	151 0	477 0	9 0
1890	19 „ ..	17 „	91	57	432 0	73 0	505 0	8 45
1891	11 „ ..	25 „	107	67	449 0	110 0	559 0	8 0
1892	23 „ ..	11 October ..	111	66	421 0	94 0	515 0	7 48
1893	22 „ ..	6 „ ..	107	68	468 55	136 2	604 57	8 53
1894	21 „ ..	24 „ ..	126	81	578 55	118 13	697 8	8 36
1895	20 „ ..	1 November..	135	86	602 25	127 14	729 39	8 29
1896	11 „ ..	17 October ..	129	78	567 15	147 58	715 13	9 10
*1897	23 September	21 December	90	51	368 50	150 16	619 6	10 10
1898	24 June ..	4 November..	134	80	569 12	214 54	784 6	9 48
1899	23 „ ..	23 October ..	124	74	497 31	117 18	614 49	8 18
1900	21 „ ..	20 „ ..	122	75	504 55	175 25	679 20	9 4
1901	28 „ ..	7 November..	133	77	518 23	116 1	634 24	8 14
1902	1 July ..	3 October ..	95	57	367 52	94 45	462 37	8 7
1903	29 June ..	24 November..	149	95	663 40	191 20	855 0	9 0
1904	28 „ ..	7 „ ..	133	82	563 21	121 34	684 55	8 21
1905	27 „ ..	30 October ..	126	78	530 14	135 37	665 51	8 33
*1906	21 August ..	29 „ ..	70	43	299 26	8 5	307 31	7 9
1907	27 June ..	25 November..	152	92	662 25	108 10	770 35	8 26
1908	28 „ ..	10 October ..	105	59	420 34	59 57	480 31	8 7
*1909	7 October ..	29 December	83	52	390 36	75 17	465 53	8 57
1910	28 June ..	3 „	158	98	687 50	128 4	815 54	8 20
1911	27 July ..	28 October ..	93	56	378 2	70 14	448 16	8 0
*1912	27 June ..	6 November..	133	69	472 5	80 45	552 50	8 0
1913	26 „ ..	15 December	173	102	696 58	190 47	887 45	8 42
1914	25 „ ..	5 November..	134	79	454 49	62 33	517 22	6 33
†1915	24 „ ..	12 October ..	111	56	306 19	30 39	336 58	6 1
1916	9 May ..	8 August ..	92	58	350 20	35 8	385 28	6 38
1917	28 June ..	1 November..	128	81	497 24	19 27	516 51	6 23
*1918	24 October ..	9 December	47	24	125 55	21 45	147 40	6 9
1919	28 August ..	5 November..	70	47	305 45	55 53	361 38	7 42
1920	24 June ..	11 „ ..	141	92	579 4	79 49	658 53	7 10
1921	10 March ..	22 March ..	13	10	53 5	1 55	55 0	5 30
1921–22	22 September	11 February ..	143	80	540 46	55 15	596 1	7 27
1922	28 June ..	31 October ..	126	76	460 19	7 47	468 8	6 10
*1923	14 „ ..	29 August ..	77	55	374 7	59 26	433 33	7 53
1924	26 „ ..	6 November..	134	83	564 2	63 43	627 45	7 48
1925	25 „ ..	1 October ..	99	58	369 57	49 16	419 13	7 13
1926	16 „ ..	11 September	88	57	372 5	50 25	422 30	7 20
1927	23 „ ..	5 December	166	105	685 33	91 20	776 53	7 24
*1928	28 „ ..	9 October ..	104	62	402 57	50 24	453 21	7 19
1929	27 „ ..	9 November..	136	82	468 16	62 11	530 27	6 28
1930	26 „ ..	25 October ..	122	71	439 5	61 38	500 43	7 3
*‡1931	25 „ ..	11 November..	140	74	397 0	28 37	425 37	5 45
*§1932–33	22 September..	10 March ..	170	71	368 26	86 37	455 3	6 24
1933	21 September..	22 December ..	93	57	360 40	24 9	384 49	6 45
‖1934–35	28 June ..	5 April ..	282	113	682 25	35 29	717 54	6 21
1935	29 August ..	26 October ..	59	35	192 14	5 14	198 28	5 40
¶1936	25 March ..	31 October ..	221	104	576 54	43 57	620 51	5 58
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† House adjourned from 4th August to 19th August after formation of National Cabinet.

‡ House adjourned from 22nd September to 2nd October after formation of Coalition Cabinet.

§ House adjourned from 9th December to 26th January.

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