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IN THE THIRD YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HIS MAJESTY

KING GEORGE THE SIXTH.

BEING THE FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT
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FIRST SESSION—TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

Tuesday, the 27th Day of June, 1939.

THE First Session of the Twenty-sixth Parliament of New Zealand, begun and holden in the City of Wellington on the twenty-seventh day of June, in the third 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-nine; 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-nine.

A Message was brought by Captain Douglas Isaac Charles Bryan, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

The Legislative Councillors, authorized by virtue of His Excellency the Governor-General's Commission, desire the attendance of the Honourable House in the Legislative Council Chamber forthwith.

Accordingly the House, with the Clerk, went up to the Legislative Council Chamber to hear the Commission read; where being, the Honourable Sir Walter Charles Frederick Carncross, Knight, one of the Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Governor-General, said,—

HONOURABLE LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—

His Excellency the Governor-General, not thinking fit to be present here this day in person, has been pleased, in order to the opening and holding of this the First Session of the Twenty-sixth Parliament of New Zealand, to cause Letters Patent to be passed under the Seal of the Dominion, constituting us, the several Honourable Members of the Legislative Council named therein, His Commissioners to do all things in His Excellency's name on his part necessary to be performed in this Session of Parliament. This will more fully appear by the Letters Patent themselves, which must now be read. (*Vide* Legislative Council Journals.)

The Honourable the Chief Commissioner then said,—

HONOURABLE LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—

We have it in command from His Excellency the Governor-General to inform you that on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of June, at half after two of the clock in the afternoon, His Excellency the Governor-General will declare to you in person the cause of his calling this meeting of Parliament together. But since it is necessary that a Speaker of the House of Representatives be first chosen, His Excellency requests that you, gentlemen of the House of Representatives, repair to the place where you usually sit, and there make choice of a fit and proper person to fill that high and important office, and that, having chosen him, you present him at eleven of the clock in the forenoon on the twenty-eighth day of June, at the Government House at Wellington, for His Excellency's approval,

And the Members being returned:

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, and to THOMAS DONALD HORN HALL, Esquire, LL.B., Clerk of the House of Representatives: Greeting.

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

THOMAS DONALD HORN HALL,

to administer to all or any Members or Member of the said House of Representatives the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to His Majesty the King required by law to be taken or made and subscribed 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 21st day of June, 1939.

M. J. SAVAGE, Prime Minister.

2. *Members sworn.*—Thomas Donald Horn Hall, Esquire, LL.B., the Commissioner authorized by His Excellency the Governor-General to administer the oath or affirmation prescribed by law to Members of the House, having received from the Clerk of the Writs, who was in attendance, a roll, accompanied by a certificate, containing a list of the names of such Members as have been returned to serve in the present Parliament, did administer the oath or affirmation to the Members who appeared; which being done, and the following Members having subscribed the oath or affirmation, they took their seats in the House:—

John Manchester Allen, Esquire, Member for Hauraki;
 William Theophilus Anderton, Esquire, Member for Eden;
 The Honourable Hubert Thomas Armstrong, Member for Christchurch East;
 Harry Atmore, Esquire, Member for Nelson;
 James Gillispie Barclay, Esquire, Member for Marsden;
 The Honourable William Edward Barnard, Member for Napier.
 Charles Abraham Barrell, Esquire, Member for Hamilton;
 Charles Wallace Boswell, Esquire, Member for Bay of Islands;
 Walter James Broadfoot, Esquire, Member for Waitomo;
 Thomas David Burnett, Esquire, Member for Temuka;
 Reverend Clyde Leonard Carr, Member for Timaru;
 Charles Henry Chapman, Esquire, Member for Wellington North;

The Right Honourable Joseph Gordon Coates, Member for Kaipara;
 The Honourable John George Cobbe, Member for Manawatu;
 David William Coleman, Esquire, Member for Gisborne;
 Harry Ernest Combs, Esquire, Member for Wellington Suburbs;
 Joseph Bernard Francis Cotterill, Esquire, Member for Wanganui;
 Edward Lutterell Cullen, Esquire, Member for Hawke's Bay;
 William Mortimer Clarence Denham, Esquire, Member for Invercargill;
 Frederick Widdowson Doidge, Esquire, Member for Taurangi;
 William Phillips Edean, Esquire, Member for Remuera;
 The Right Honourable George William Forbes, Member for Hurunui;
 The Honourable Peter Fraser, Member for Wellington Central;
 Frederick Ledger Frost, Esquire, Member for New Plymouth;
 William Stanley Goosman, Esquire, Member for Waikato;
 Edward Brice Killen Gordon, Esquire, Member for Rangitikei;
 Arthur Nattle Grigg, Esquire, Member for Mid-Canterbury;
 The Honourable Adam Hamilton, Member for Wallace;
 Colonel James Hargest, Member for Awarua;
 Joseph Hodgens, Esquire, Member for Palmerston North;
 Sidney George Holland, Esquire, Member for Christchurch North;
 Axel Gordon Hultquist, Esquire, Member for Bay of Plenty;
 The Honourable Frederick Jones, Member for Dunedin South;
 Albert Edward Jull, Esquire, Member for Waipawa;
 David Campbell Kidd, Esquire, Member for Waitaki;
 Herbert Seton Stewart Kyle, Esquire, Member for Riccarton;
 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;
 Thomas Laehlan Macdonald, Esquire, Member for Maitaia;
 Robert Mafeking Macfarlane, Esquire, Member for Christchurch South;
 Robert McKeen, Esquire, Member for Wellington South;
 Doctor David Gervan McMillan, Member for Dunedin West;
 The Honourable William Lee Martin, Member for Raglan;
 The Honourable Henry Greathead Rex Mason, Member for Auckland Suburbs;
 John Norman Massey, Esquire, Member for Franklin;
 Edwin Pureell Meachen, Esquire, Member for Marlborough;
 Alexander Francis Moncur, Esquire, Member for Rotorua;
 James Wright Munro, Esquire, Member for Dunedin North;
 Peter Neilson, Esquire, Member for Dunedin Central;
 Reverend Arnold Henry Nordmeyer, Member for Oamaru;
 James O'Brien, Esquire, Member for Westland;
 Arthur George Osborne, Esquire, Member for Onchunga;
 Paraire Karaka Paikea, Esquire, Member for Northern Maori;
 The Honourable William Edward Parry, Member for Auckland Central;
 Charles Robert Petrie, Esquire, Member for Otahuhu;
 William John Polson, Esquire, Member for Stratford;
 The Honourable Sir Ethelbert Alfred Ransom, Member for Pahiatua;
 Haami Tokouru Ratana, Esquire, Member for Western Maori;
 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;
 Frederick William Schramm, Esquire, Member for Auckland East;
 The Honourable Robert Semple, Member for Wellington East;
 Clarence Farrington Skinner, Esquire, Member for Motueka;
 Mrs. Catherine Campbell Sword Stewart, Member for Wellington West;
 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 Anderson Wilkinson, Esquire, Member for Egmont;
 Charles Morgan Williams, Esquire, Member for Kaiapoi.

3. *Election of Speaker.*—Mr. J. O'Brien, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him and then sat down), proposed to the House for their Speaker the Honourable William Edward Barnard, and moved, That the Honourable William Edward Barnard do take the Chair of this House as Speaker; which motion was seconded by Mr. A. S. Richards.

The House then calling the Honourable William Edward Barnard, he stood up in his place and expressed his high sense of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him.

The House then again calling the Honourable William Edward Barnard to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by Mr. J. O'Brien and Mr. A. S. Richards and conducted to the Chair; when, standing upon the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgments to the House for the high honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by unanimously electing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair; and the Mace (which before lay under the Table) was laid upon the Table.

The Honourable Mr. Fraser, the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, and other Members having congratulated Mr. Speaker elect;

The Honourable Mr. Fraser moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty minutes after three of the clock p.m., adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, the 28th Day of June, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *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;

2. *Confirmation of the Election of Speaker.*—Mr. Speaker reported that he had, accompanied by his proposer and seconder, waited upon His Excellency the Governor-General, when he addressed His Excellency as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

In obedience to Your Excellency's commands, the House of Representatives, in the exercise of their undoubted rights and privileges, have proceeded to the election of a Speaker, and as the subject of their choice, I now present myself to you, and submit myself for Your Excellency's approbation.

To which His Excellency replied as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

It is with much pleasure that, on behalf of the King, I approve and confirm the choice which the House of Representatives has made in your person.

I congratulate you on your re-election to this distinguished position, marking as it does the appreciation on the part of the House of Representatives of your impartiality and ability.

Mr. Speaker further reported that he had also addressed His Excellency as follows:—

Thanking Your Excellency for your approbation of the choice made by the House of Representatives of me to be their Speaker, I have now, on behalf of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, to lay claim to all their privileges, and especially to freedom of speech in debate, and to free access to Your Excellency whenever occasion may require it, and that the most favourable construction may be put on all their proceedings.

To which His Excellency replied as follows:—

I, on behalf of the King, confirm all the rights and privileges of the House of Representatives to the same extent as they have been granted hitherto. I also assure you that the House of Representatives will always have ready access to me, and that I will at all times place the most favourable construction upon their proceedings.

Mr. Speaker then said,—

I desire to repeat my respectful acknowledgments to the House of the high honour they have done me in re-electing me to the Speaker's Chair.

3. *Commission to Administer the Oath.*—A Commission from His Excellency the Governor-General to the Speaker of the House, appointing him a Commissioner for administering the oath to Members, was read as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to the HONOURABLE WILLIAM EDWARD BARNARD, Speaker of the House of Representatives: Greeting.

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

WILLIAM EDWARD BARNARD,

to administer to all or any Members or Member of the House of Representatives the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to His Majesty the King required by law to be taken or made and subscribed 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 28th day of June, 1939.

M. J. SAVAGE, Prime Minister.

4. *Members take the Oath.*—William Alexander Bodkin, Esquire, Member for Central Otago, and Harold Galt Dickie, Esquire, Member for Patea, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took their seats in the House.
5. *Election Petition.*—Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter:—

In the matter of the Electoral Act, 1927; and in the matter of a Petition by Clive Rutherford Cameron and Sidney Walter Smith against the return of Charles Wallace Boswell at the Election holden on the Fifteenth day of October, 1938, for the Electoral District of Bay of Islands.

TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—

We the Judges named by the Chief Justice pursuant to the provisions of Section 206 (a) of the Electoral Act, 1927, for the purpose of the trial of the above-mentioned Election Petition do hereby certify and report as follows:—

- (1) Prior to the date fixed for the trial of the Petition the Petitioners pursuant to the provisions of Section 216 of the Electoral Act, 1927, and the Rules thereunder, made application for the leave of the Court at Kaikohe to withdraw their Petition.
- (2) The provisions of the Statute and of the Rules in that behalf having been duly complied with the said Application came before the Court at Kaikohe on the nineteenth day of January, 1939.

- (3) On the hearing of the said Application counsel for both the Petitioners and the respondent assured the Court in answer to questions that the proposed withdrawal of the Petition was not the result of any corrupt arrangement or in consideration of the withdrawal of any other Petition. The Court accepted such assurances and having regard to the nature and circumstances of the case sees no reason quite apart from the assurances of counsel for any inference that the proposed withdrawal of the Petition was the result of any corrupt arrangement or in consideration of the withdrawal of any other Petition.
- (4) In these circumstances and in the absence of any application by other persons to be substituted as Petitioners leave was granted to the Petitioners to withdraw their Petition and it was withdrawn accordingly.
- (5) The Court formally reports to the Honourable the Speaker pursuant to the provisions of Section 216 (9) of the Electoral Act, 1927, that in its opinion the withdrawal of the Petition was not the result of any corrupt arrangement or in consideration of the withdrawal of any other Petition.

Given under our hands at Wellington this twenty-fifth day of January, 1939.

MICHAEL MYERS, C.J.
A. W. BLAIR, J.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That the certificate and report be entered on the Journals of the House.

6. *Petitions*.—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
7. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to the Honourable Sir Apirana Ngata on account of urgent public business.
8. *Expiring Laws Continuance Bill*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, a Bill intituled "An Act to continue the Operation of certain Expiring Laws" was read a first time *pro forma*.
9. *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,—

My term of office as Governor-General of this Dominion is due to expire early next year and, as this may be the last occasion upon which I shall have the privilege of addressing you in Parliament assembled, I should like to express to you, and through you, to the people of New Zealand, my deep appreciation of the good will which has been consistently extended to me as His Majesty's Representative, and also to Lady Galway. On all sides we have received nothing but kindness and consideration, and the friendly and generous way in which we have been welcomed on our journeys through the country will remain with us always as a happy memory. We are deeply sensible of these many expressions of good will—from people of all classes and both races—and we shall, on our return to the Mother-country, try to repay in some measure our debt to them by endeavouring, whenever the opportunity offers, to further the interests of this Dominion and its people.

It is with deep regret that I must call your special attention to the international situation, which continues to give rise to grave and increasing anxiety.

My Ministers remain firmly attached to the principles of the Covenant of the League of Nations, holding, as they do, that a just and stable international peace can never be fully attained by any other method, and they will continue to support these principles by all the means in their power. But in the circumstances of to-day my Advisers have most reluctantly been forced to recognize the fact that a full and effective application of the Covenant is, for the time being, impracticable. My Ministers fervently trust, and still believe, that peace can be maintained, without injustice and without sacrificing those ideals of freedom and democracy which are the essential basis of the national life of this Dominion and of the whole British Commonwealth, and, while they are determined to resist aggression, they will always be ready to assist in any peaceful discussion of existing difficulties.

My Advisers fully realize the duty incumbent upon them to prepare against all possible contingencies, and to put this country into a condition to defend itself against the possibility of attack. They have accordingly, for a lengthy period past, been much preoccupied with the problems involved in this connection. Extensive preparations, both civil and military, have been undertaken to enable this Dominion, should the need arise, to turn, without unnecessary confusion, from a peace to a war basis, and the situation of the three armed services has been constantly under review.

For the consideration of the wider problems involved, the Pacific Defence Conference, which was called at the invitation and suggestion of my Government, and at which representatives of His Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom, in the Commonwealth of Australia, and in New Zealand, and of the Government of Fiji, conferred upon their common problems, has recently completed most useful deliberations in Wellington. My Advisers are at present in communication with the other Governments concerned as to the practical implementation of the recommendations of this Conference, and they readily recognize the debt of gratitude they owe to those distinguished experts whose advice was so fully and freely placed at their disposal.

My Ministers have inaugurated a further programme of naval development, including the provision of a post-recruit training-centre in connection with which three seagoing training-vessels of modern type are to be built, and will be available in war for mine-sweeping and anti-submarine duties. Dockyard-repair facilities are being further strengthened, and reserves of oil fuel and stores increased.

Special attention continues to be directed to the strengthening of the Dominion's land Forces, and to the provision of the necessary armaments, ammunition, and equipment. My Government have decided to increase the establishment of the Territorial Force from a total of 9,500 to 16,000 and at the same time to establish a National Reserve, and my Prime Minister has made a public appeal for recruits for these purposes. It is the intention of my Government to do everything in their power to make the land Forces of New Zealand worthy of the pride and the confidence of the country. The people of this Dominion, my Advisers believe, will readily realize the necessity for defence and the impossibility of taking adequate steps for this purpose unless those who are fit and competent look upon it as a privilege to share this burden and voluntarily come forward in sufficient numbers. My Advisers urge this duty upon all.

Special efforts are being made to improve the conditions of the Territorial Force, and serious attention is being paid to bringing its training into line with modern development. Armoured motor-vehicles are now arriving in the Dominion, together with supplies of the latest type of machine gun. With the exception of the Horses Mounted Rifle Regiments, the mobile portion of the Forces is now fully motorized, and it is hoped that within a short time it will be fully mechanized. Opportunity was taken of the visit to New Zealand, as a representative of the United Kingdom at the Pacific Defence Conference, of Major-General P. J. Mackesy, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., to obtain from him a detailed and most valuable report on the land Forces of New Zealand, and this report is now receiving the careful consideration of my Ministers.

My Government have further accelerated and enlarged the programme embarked upon for the organization of an adequate system of air defence. Construction and extension of stations are proceeding as rapidly as possible, and aircraft and other equipment immediately required are now coming to hand from overseas. The personnel of the Royal New Zealand Air Force has been largely increased, and as accommodation becomes available the Force is being built up to the establishment considered adequate to meet any emergency. In the course of the year my Ministers were pleased to have the opportunity of conferring with the British Air Mission, which visited New Zealand to report on the possibility of manufacturing aircraft in this Dominion. The recommendations of the Mission are being considered by His Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and in New Zealand.

I propose, next month, to visit the Cook Islands and the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa. It was my intention to make this visit last year, but, owing to health conditions here and elsewhere, and to the necessity of avoiding any risk of carrying infection, postponement of the cruise was deemed essential. I am anticipating with the greatest of pleasure the opportunity of meeting the people of those Islands, of whose admirable qualities I have heard so much, and of seeing for myself the conditions under which they live. I earnestly trust that my visit will have useful results.

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

During the past year the prosperous condition of New Zealand has been maintained and consolidated. Exports for the year ended 31st March last reached the satisfactory total of £57,867,000, a figure which has been exceeded only twice in the Dominion's history. Compared with the immediately preceding year, there was a decline in total export values, due mainly to lower overseas prices.

The more stabilized conditions now obtaining in the dairy industry as a result of my Government's guaranteed price and marketing policy and the gradual improvement in conditions noticeable since 1935, both in manufacture and in commerce, are reflected very clearly in the country's revenues. While the rates of tax have remained unchanged, the yield from land and income tax during the financial year ended 31st March, 1939, amounted to £245,197 more than the sum received during the financial year ended 31st March, 1938, and £2,695,401 more than the sum received during the financial year ended 31st March, 1937, and these results reflect very intimately the prosperous conditions that have obtained in the Dominion. The Public Accounts for the year closed with a surplus of £809,000.

In order that the Dominion's overseas funds may be conserved and utilized to the best advantage, having regard to the necessity of meeting payments for imports and commitments in respect of overseas debts, my Ministers have found it necessary to institute control of external exchange, involving control of remittances abroad, control of credits accruing from exports, and control of imports.

To provide funds for public works and other developmental purposes, including capital expenditure on defence works, an internal loan of £4,500,000 has recently been raised in the Dominion. The issue was made in securities of different maturity dates—namely, 4 per cent. 1954-58 stock at 96, and 4 per cent. 1948 stock at 99. It is gratifying to record the fact that the issue was oversubscribed. My Minister of Finance is at present in London discussing matters arising in connection with the loan of £17,177,000, which falls due for repayment in January next. While abroad my Minister is also taking the opportunity of discussing trade, defence, and other matters affecting the well-being of the Dominion.

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

The passing of the Social Security Act last session brought into being the machinery for the inauguration of the most comprehensive scheme of social insurance so far attempted in any British country, providing on a contributory basis for the contingencies of unemployment, old-age, widowhood, orphanhood, sickness, and invalidity, as well as for the supplementation of the incomes of breadwinners where this is necessary. The whole of the monetary benefits provided for in the Act were made available from 1st April last. Maternity Benefits have been made available since 15th May last, and following the inauguration of Hospital Benefits on 1st July next arrangements will be proceeded with for bringing into operation the Medical Benefits, under which general medical practitioner services will be available, and Pharmaceutical Benefits, under which will be available medicines, drugs, materials, and appliances.

With the adoption of the procedure of import selection within the system of import control, my Advisers have decided vigorously to encourage the development of secondary industries with a view primarily to facilitating a more balanced economy in the Dominion. The need for such a policy has been accentuated during recent months by the threat of war overseas and the possibility that, should such an eventuality unfortunately arise, New Zealand may find difficulty in obtaining supplies of manufactured goods, the lack of which would not only tend to disorganize our economic life but would render the Dominion less able to undertake its share of the responsibilities of the British Commonwealth. A wide range of opportunities has now been provided for industrial expansion, and it is very gratifying to my Ministers that the efforts of local manufacturers to supply the Dominion's requirements have proved so successful. Existing manufacturing units have enlarged their productive capacity by the installation of additional plant and machinery and by the employment of many more workers, and many have expanded the range of their products. Overseas manufacturers have, in many cases, made arrangements for their goods to be made locally; some have erected their own factories, and others have arranged for existing manufacturing units to make their products. Definite progress has been made with the rationalization of a number of trades and industries during the past year under the provisions of the Industrial Efficiency Act, 1936, and there are now twenty-one industries subject to the licensing provisions of this Act.

During the year my Ministers have closely watched movements in prices, and have paid particular attention to those items which figure largely in the household expenditure of families. While the control measures adopted have exercised an effective influence, experience has indicated the necessity for some adjustments to the machinery available, and accordingly my Ministers have established a Price Investigation Tribunal, with powers of judicial inquiry, to make detailed investigations.

Employment in the Dominion continues at a high level. The upward movement in the number of registered factories and in the number of factory workers is still being maintained, the figures reaching a new record level, and the development of manufacture has actually created a shortage of skilled employees in certain industries. My Advisers are continuing their efforts to arrange for employment of a useful nature for all fit unemployed persons, and with this end in view all possible steps are being taken to encourage the absorption of labour in secondary industries and in productive work on the land. It is also the intention of my Ministers to give every encouragement to the development and settlement of unused areas of land in order to stimulate as far as possible the primary production of the Dominion, and to that end attention is being given to methods of land clearance by modern machines.

My Ministers have again arranged for New Zealand to take part in the International Labour Conference which opened at Geneva this month. On this occasion my Government are represented by my Minister of Lands.

The mining industry continues to play an important part in the life of the Dominion, and it is anticipated that the current year's workings will result in an increase in gold-production. It is pleasing to record that as a result of the special legislation passed in 1937 the search for petroleum oil in the Dominion is being vigorously prosecuted in several districts.

Widespread activities in connection with public works have been continued throughout the past year. Substantial progress has been made towards the completion of many major projects, including the construction of new railway connections, of aerodromes, and of irrigation schemes, and a wide programme of road-work. Roading facilities for settlement purposes have been improved by the construction of bridges and the extension of metalled access in isolated localities.

The necessity for my Government's housing programme and the widespread approval of the measures taken to cope with the serious shortage of dwellings are strikingly demonstrated by the numbers of applications received for State rental houses. Up to the present date tenders have been called for some 8,000 houses, 6,200 have been actually commenced, and of these, 3,800 have been completed and are in occupation.

The policy of granting advances on favourable terms to borrowers requiring finance for the purpose of erecting houses for themselves has been continued during the past year, and it is pleasing to record that the business handled by the State Advances Corporation in this branch of its organization has shown a steady increase. For the twelve months just closed 2,123 new building loans for a total amount of £2,062,275 were granted, and the number of applications on hand and inquiries received show evidence of continued activity in this sphere of the country's progress. My Government, in their efforts to create a better balance between primary and secondary industries, are not overlooking the need of improving conditions within each of those main divisions of our economic life, and proposals are now in course of preparation whose object will be to facilitate not only the improvement of farm lands, but also the raising of the standard of housing available both to farmers and to their employees. The latter aspect of the proposals in contemplation represents an important new phase in State assistance to farmers.

The agricultural and pastoral industry has been adversely affected by unusual seasonal conditions which have extended over practically the whole Dominion and which have been reflected in the diminished yield of the farming industries. These unfavourable conditions, added to lower overseas prices, have given rise to problems which it has been the duty of my Advisers to consider, and a Commission of inquiry is being appointed to investigate all aspects of the sheep industry. With a view to overcoming troubles among our flocks and herds and the lessened fertility of our soils, my Government have authorized new and extensive measures for the furtherance of scientific research and instruction in agricultural problems, and a fully co-ordinated investigation of the relationship between the quality of the soil on the one hand and of plant and animal health and the quality of primary products on the other will be undertaken.

The work of mortgage adjustment, including the disposal of all appeals lodged against the orders of Adjustment Commissions, has been completed during the year. A total of 34,602 applications were dealt with, and the concessions granted under the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936, amounted to more than £9,500,000. Of this sum over £8,200,000 was in respect of farm applications.

The vigorous school-building programme, which has been a feature of my Government's administration, will be pressed forward strongly, as will also the policy of consolidation of schools and the provision of transport to enable country children to receive an education equal to any given in the towns. A new salary scale for primary-school teachers, introduced since last session, has not only raised the level of salaries, but has also made possible a greater stability of teaching service and has been designed to attract teachers to country districts. A committee has under consideration the devising of improved salary and staffing scales for post-primary schools.

My Government have continued to give close attention to matters affecting the welfare of the Maori race. The policy of developing Native lands, and thus affording the Maori people the means of becoming self-reliant members of the community, is producing beneficial results, and efforts will be made during the year to expand still further these land-settlement projects. Special attention has been given to the housing of the Maori people, with particular reference to pure water-supplies and sanitation, and good progress has been made in improving their living-conditions.

I am happy to say that the scenic and recreational advantages of New Zealand continue to be a source of attraction to people from overseas, and for the first time in any year more than twenty thousand visitors have been recorded, who are estimated to have brought into the Dominion approximately £1,500,000. The contemplated opening this year of the Trans-Tasman air-service and the Centennial Celebrations and Exhibition must, it is felt, attract still larger numbers of tourists in the near future.

Arrangements are well in hand for the celebration in a fitting manner of the first one hundred years of organized settlement and Government in the Dominion, and my Minister of Internal Affairs has been actively co-operating in this matter with all sections of the community. Adequate provision is being made for national, provincial, and local celebrations, and there is every evidence that this historic event will be celebrated, by pakeha and Maori alike, in a manner worthy of the occasion. An outstanding feature of the celebrations will be the New Zealand Centennial Exhibition, an undertaking the magnitude of which is now apparent in the great buildings now approaching completion at Rongotai in the City of Wellington.

Bills will be placed before you dealing with law reform, with statutes amendment, with workmen's and contractors' liens, with the law of husband and wife, with taxation, with town-planning, with the control of river erosion, and with the reorganization of fire-control; for an amendment to the laws relating to health, to hospitals and charitable institutions, to the training and registration of nurses and midwives, and to the payment of fines; and for a consolidation of the law relating to pharmacies.

All these matters I commend to your careful consideration, and I pray for Divine guidance in your deliberations.

10. *Adjournment.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit until nineteen minutes after three of the clock p.m., adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, the 29th Day of June, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions*.—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
2. *Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Act, 1933; and that Colonel Hargest do prepare and bring it in.
Colonel Hargest accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
3. *Papers*.—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 2. Government Insurance Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1938, and Triennial Investigation as at 31st December, 1938. H.-8.
 3. Naval Defence Act, 1913: Amended Regulations under the.
 4. Municipal Corporations—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations: For Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Green Island, Greymouth, Matamata, Pahiatua, Queenstown, Runanga, and Te Aroha]; for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Akaroa, Ashburton, Auckland City, Birkenhead, Blenheim, Bluff, Cambridge, Carterton, Christchurch City, Dannevirke, Dargaville, Dunedin City, Eastbourne, Eltham, Featherston, Foxton, Geraldine, Gisborne, Gore, Green Island, Greytown, Hamilton, Hampden, Hastings, Hawera, Huntly, Invercargill City, Lawrence, Levin, Lower Hutt, Lyttelton, Manurewa, Martinborough, Marton, Masterton, Matamata, Mataura, Morrinsville, Mosgiel, Motueka, Mount Albert, Mount Eden, Napier, Nelson City, New Brighton, New Lynn, Newmarket, New Plymouth, Ngāruawāhia, Northcote, Oamaru, Ohakune, Onehunga, One Tree Hill, Opotiki, Otahuhu, Paeroa, Pahiatua, Palmerston, Palmerston North City, Patea, Petone, Picton, Port Chalmers, Pukekohe, Rangiora, Richmond, Riverton, Roxburgh, Runanga, St. Kilda, Shannon, South Invercargill, Stratford, Sumner, Takapuna, Taumarunui, Tauranga, Te Aroha, Te Awamutu, Te Kuiti, Temuka, Te Puke, Thames, Timaru, Upper Hutt, Waihi, Waikouaiti, Waipawa, Waipukurau, Wairoa, Waitara, Wanganui, Wellington City, West Harbour, Westport, Whakatane, Whangarei, Winton, and Woodville]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Huntly].
 5. County Councils—Balance-sheets of the undermentioned County Councils: For Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Eyre, Great Barrier Island, Grey, Lake, Opotiki, and Piako]; for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Akaroa, Akitio, Amuri, Ashburton, Ashley, Awatere, Bay of Islands, Bruce, Chatham Islands, Cheviot, Clifton, Clutha, Collingwood, Cook, Coromandel, Dannevirke, Egmont, Eketahuna, Ellesmere, Eltham, Featherston, Franklin, Geraldine, Great Barrier Island, Grey, Hauraki Plains, Hawera, Hawke's Bay, Heathcote, Hobson, Hokiana, Horowhenua, Hutt, Inangahua, Inglewood, Kaikoura, Kairanga, Kaitieke, Kawhia, Kiwitea, Kowai, Mackenzie, Makara, Mangonui, Maniototo, Manukau, Marlborough, Matakaoa, Matamata, Mauriceville, Murchison, Ohinemuri, Ohura, Oroua, Otorohanga, Oxford, Pahiatua, Patangata, Patea, Peninsula, Piako, Pohangina, Rangiora, Rangitikei, Rotorua, Selwyn, Southland, Springs, Stewart Island, Taieri, Takaka, Taumarunui, Tauranga, Thames, Tuapeka, Uawa, Waipua, Waihemo, Waikato, Waikouaiti, Waimairi, Waimarino, Waimate West, Waimea, Waipa, Waipawa, Waipukurau, Wairarapa South, Wairewa, Wairoa, Waitaki, Waitemata, Waitomo, Waitotara, Wallace, Wanganui, Weber, Whakatane, Whangamomona, Whangarei, and Woodville]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Masterton, Stratford, and Taranaki].

6. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 30th September, 1937 [National Mutual Life Association of Australasia, Limited]; for Year ended 31st December, 1937 [Prudential Assurance Company, Limited; Norwich Union Life Insurance Society and Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited]; for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Otago Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Association]; for Year ended 31st May, 1938 [New Zealand Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 30th June, 1938 [North Island Motor Union Insurance Company; Southern Cross Assurance Company, Limited; South Island Motor Union Mutual Insurance Association; Standard Insurance Company, Limited; Victoria Insurance Company, Limited; and Farmers' Co-operative Insurance Association of New Zealand, Limited]; for Year ended 31st July, 1938 [Sawmillers Mutual Accident Insurance Company]; for Year ended 31st August, 1938 [South British Insurance Company, Limited; and United Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 12th September, 1938 [Wairarapa Automobile Association Mutual Insurance Company]; for Year ended 30th September, 1938 [National Insurance Company of New Zealand, Limited; National Mutual Life Association of Australasia, Limited; N.Z. Dental Mutual Insurance Company; Dominion Life Assurance Office of New Zealand, Limited; and Australian Temperance and General Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited]; for Year ended 31st December, 1938 [Australian Mutual Provident Society; Australian Alliance Assurance Company; Alliance Assurance Company, Limited; British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited; Commercial Union Assurance Company, Limited; General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Corporation, Limited; Guardian Assurance Company, Limited; Insurance Office of Australia, Limited; Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company, Limited; London and Lancashire Insurance Company, Limited; The London Assurance, Mercantile, and General Insurance Company, Limited; Mutual Life and Citizens' Assurance Company, Limited; National Employers' Mutual General Insurance Association, Limited; N.Z. Master Bakers' Mutual Indemnity Association; N.Z. Medical Assurance Society Co-operative; N.Z. Mine-owners' Mutual Insurance Company; North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, Limited; Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, Limited; Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited; Phoenix Assurance Company, Limited; Royal Exchange Assurance; Royal Insurance Company, Limited; Sun Insurance Office, Limited; and Union Assurance Society, Limited]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Dental Indemnity Society; Taranaki Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association; and Wellington Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Association].

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

1. 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. 1 and 2 be printed.

4. *Chairman of Committees, Appointment of.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser moved, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. McKeen be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House.

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

5. *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. 1.

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, 1940.

Government House,
Wellington, 28th June, 1939.

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

6. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Imprest Supply Bill and proceedings preliminary thereto.
7. *Suspension of Standing Order 256*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *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.

8. *Supply*.—The Honourable Mr. Fraser moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House forthwith resolve itself into a 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. McKeen reported that the Committee of Supply had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding eleven million four hundred and eighteen 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 forty.

And the Question being proposed, That the Resolution be now read a second 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 then the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Friday morning;

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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 a Committee of Ways and Means.

9. *Ways and Means*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 forty,—

- (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 ten million three hundred and seventy-five 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 one million and forty-three 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 forty.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

The Consolidated Fund—			£
Ordinary Revenue Account	..	..	4,500,000
The Public Works Fund—			
General Purposes Account	..	..	2,000,000
Electric Supply Account	..	..	350,000
Separate Accounts—			
Land for Settlements Account	..	..	65,000
Main Highways Account	..	..	950,000
Social Security Fund Account	..	..	320,000
State Coal-mines Account	..	..	70,000
State Forests Account	..	..	120,000
Working Railways Account	..	..	2,000,000
			<u>£10,375,000</u>

SECOND SCHEDULE.

			£
The Post-office Account	..	..	750,000
The Public Trustee's Account	..	..	70,000
The Native Trustee's Account	..	..	6,000
The Government Insurance Account	..	..	60,000
The Public Service Superannuation Fund Account	..	..	2,000
The State Fire Insurance Account	..	..	50,000
The Government Accident Insurance Account	..	..	5,000
The Dairy Industry Account	..	..	10,000
The Internal Marketing Account	..	..	12,000
The Broadcasting Account	..	..	70,000
The Iron and Steel Industry Account	..	..	8,000
			<u>£1,043,000</u>

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

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

10. *Imprest Supply Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, 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 forty; 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. McKean 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 forty."

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 twelve of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 30th Day of June, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions*.—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
2. *Death of Mr. Edwin John Howard, M.P.*—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. Edwin John Howard, a member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his relatives the assurance of its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.
3. *Death of the Honourable Alexander Donald McLeod*.—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 Alexander Donald McLeod, a former member of the House of Representatives and Minister of the Crown, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.
And then the hour of fifty-three minutes after twelve of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.
And the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.
4. *Death of Mr. Taite te Tomo*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Right Honourable Mr. Coates, *Resolved, nemine contradicente*, That this House records its high sense of the faithful services rendered to New Zealand by the late Mr. Taite te Tomo, a former member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

5. *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, 1939, which the Council returns to the House of Representatives as one of its Bills of Supply.

6. *Death of Sir Thomas Mason Wilford, K.C.M.G., K.C.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Sir Alfred Ransom, *Resolved, nemine contradicente*, That this House records its high sense of the distinguished services rendered to New Zealand by the late Sir Thomas Mason Wilford, K.C.M.G., K.C., a former member of the House of Representatives and Minister of the Crown, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.
7. *Death of Mr. Thomas Buxton.*—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 Buxton, a former member of the House of Representatives and Minister of the Crown, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.
8. *Death of Dr. Henry Thomas Joynt Thacker.*—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 Doctor Henry Thomas Joynt Thacker, 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 Lieutenant-Colonel George Mitchell, D.S.O.*—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 Lieutenant-Colonel George Mitchell, D.S.O., a former member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.
10. *Death of Mr. William Wilcox Tanner.*—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. William Wilcox Tanner, 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 Mr. James Whyte Kelly.*—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. James Whyte Kelly, a former member of the House of Representatives, and respectfully tenders to his relatives the assurance of its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.
12. *Death of Mr. David Thomas Fleming.*—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. David Thomas Fleming, a former member of the Legislative Council, and respectfully tenders to his widow the assurance of its sincere sympathy in her bereavement.

13. *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 Tuesday next, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Edwin John Howard, M.P.; the late Honourable Alexander Donald McLeod; the late Mr. Taite te Tomo; the late Sir Thomas Mason Wilford, K.C.M.G., K.C.; the late Mr. Thomas Buxton; the late Doctor Henry Thomas Joynt Thacker; the late Lieutenant-Colonel George Mitchell, D.S.O.; the late Mr. William Wilcox Tanner; the late Mr. James Whyte Kelly; and the late Mr. David Thomas Fleming.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-six minutes after four of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, the 4th Day of July, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Members take the Oath.*—The Right Honourable Michael Joseph Savage, Member for Auckland West, and the Honourable Sir Apirana Turupa Ngata, Member for Eastern Maori, 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. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Polson on account of illness in his family.
On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Osborne on account of urgent public business.
On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Richards on account of illness.
4. *Christchurch City Council Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill exempting from Liability for Rates Lands in the City of Christchurch used by the Christchurch City Council for Housing Aged Persons; and that Mr. Macfarlane do prepare and bring it in.
Mr. Macfarlane accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
5. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 7. National Provident Fund, Actuary's Report on the Valuation of the, as at 31st December, 1937. H.-17b.
 8. Customs Act, 1913, and Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Act, 1936, Order in Council under the, making the Import Control Regulations 1938.
 9. Customs Act, 1913, and Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Act, 1936, Order in Council under the, making the Export Licenses Regulations 1938.
 10. Harbour Boards—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Harbour Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Greymouth]; for Year ended 30th September, 1937 [Foxton, Napier, and Wanganui]; for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Coromandel, Kaikoura, and Takaka]; for Year ended 30th September, 1938 [Auckland, Bay of Islands,

Bluff, Collingwood, Gisborne, Half-moon Bay, Hokianga, Hokitika, Lyttelton, Napier, Nelson, New Plymouth, Oamaru, Okarito, Opunake, Otago, Patea, Riverton, Tauranga, Tokomaru, Waimakariri, Wairau, Wairoa, Waitara, Wellington, Whakatane, Whangarei, and Whangaroa].

Ordered, That Paper No. 7 be printed.

And then the hour of forty minutes after two 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. *Address in Reply*.—Mr. Macfarlane moved, seconded by Mr. Boswell, 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 seven of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

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 seven of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

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

Wednesday, the 5th Day of July, 1939.

The House met this day at 7.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result

of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources. That the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation, both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation, or proper production, much second- and third-class land.' ”

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 two of the clock p.m. to-morrow.

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

Thursday, the 6th Day of July, 1939.

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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for fourteen days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Nash on account of urgent public business.

On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for fourteen days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Langstone on account of urgent public business.

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

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

11. Sheep Returns for Year ended 30th April, 1938. H.-23.

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

12. Defence Act, 1909, and Amendments, Financial Instructions and Allowance Regulations for New Zealand Military Forces issued under the *Ordered*, That Paper No. 11 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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources. That the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that

the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy, has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land'” (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*).

And the Question and amendment being again proposed;

The House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

On motion of Mr. Endeau, *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 ten minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Friday, the 7th Day of July, 1939.

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. *Petition*.—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
3. *Papers*.—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 13. Customs Amendment Act, 1931, Order in Council under the, altering the Rates of Duty on certain Nails and White-lead.
 14. Customs Act, 1913, Order in Council under the, prohibiting the Importation of Veterinary Biologies.
 15. Customs Act, 1913, Order in Council under the, prohibiting the Exportation of Onions.
 16. Customs Act, 1913, Order in Council under the, prohibiting the Exportation of Fresh Vegetables and Tomatoes.
 17. Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1920, Order in Council under the, making Regulations prescribing an Amended Form of Application for a Permit to enter New Zealand.
 18. Immigration Restriction Act, 1908, Order in Council under the, amending Regulation relating to Certificates of Registration.
 19. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Order in Council under the, amending the Export Butter-box Pool Regulations 1938.
 20. Orchard and Garden Diseases Act, 1928, Order in Council under the, making the Nursery Registration Regulations 1939.
 21. Stock Act, 1908, Orders in Council under the, making the Stock (Conveyance of Sheep) Regulations 1938, the Stock (Agricultural Seeds) Importation Regulations 1939, and amending the Stock Importation Regulations.

4. *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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the manpower and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land’” (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*).

And the Question and amendment being again proposed;

The House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, *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 twenty-nine minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 11th Day of July, 1939.

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. *Papers*.—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—
 22. League of Nations: Report of Dominion Representative on Nineteenth Assembly of the League, held at Geneva in 1938. A.-5.
 23. League of Nations: Report of Dominion Representative on One Hundred and First, One Hundred and Second, One Hundred and Third, and One Hundred and Fourth Sessions of the Council of the League, held at Geneva in 1938 and 1939. A.-5A.

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

 24. Industrial Efficiency Act, 1936, Order in Council under the, making the Industrial Efficiency (Motor-spirits Licensing) Regulations (No. 2) 1938, Amendment No. 1.
 25. Industrial Efficiency Act, 1936, Order in Council under the, making the Industrial Efficiency (Pharmacy) Regulations 1938.
 26. Industrial Efficiency Act, 1936, Order in Council under the, making the Industrial Efficiency (Motor-spirits Licensing) Regulations (No. 2) 1938.
 27. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Return of Stale Bread) Regulations 1939.
 28. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Raw Tobacco Price) Regulations 1939.
 29. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Price-investigation) Regulations 1939.
 30. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Wheat and Flour) Regulations 1938, Amendment No. 1.
 31. Board of Trade Act, 1919, Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Onion) Regulations 1938, Amendment No. 1.
 32. Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, Order in Council under the, making the Postal Amending Regulations 1938 (No. 2).
 33. Naval Defence Act, 1913, Orders in Council under the, amending Regulations.
 34. Local Authorities Superannuation Act, 1908: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts, Membership, &c., of the Auckland and Wellington Harbour Boards for Year ended 31st December, 1938.
 35. Social Security Act, 1938, Order in Council under the, making the Social Security (Monetary Benefits) Regulations 1939.
 36. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Order in Council under the, making the Dairy Industry Accounts Regulations 1939.

37. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Order in Council under the, making the Bobby Calf Marketing Regulations 1939.

38. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Order in Council under the, making the Lemon Marketing Regulations 1939.

39. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Order in Council under the, making the Honey Marketing Regulations 1938.

40. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, Order in Council under the, making the Cool-stored Butter Regulations 1938.

41. Fire Brigades Act, 1926—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Te Aroha]; for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Auckland Metropolitan, Balclutha, Birkenhead, Christchurch, Gisborne, Greymouth, Hamilton, Hastings, Hokitika, Kaiapoi, Kaitangata, Lawrence, Napier, Oamaru, Opotiki, Otaki, Rotorua, Tauranga, Taumarunui, Te Aroha, Waipukurau, Wairoa, Wellington, Whakatane, and Woodville]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Hokitika and Invercargill].

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 22 and 23 be printed.

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. 2.

The Bill intituled the Imprest Supply Act, 1939, 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, 5th July, 1939.

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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the

Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land ' ' (Honourable Mr. Hamilton).

And the Question and amendment being again proposed;

The House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

On motion of Mr. Allen, *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 twenty-six minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 12th Day of July, 1939.

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. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Bodkin on account of illness.
4. *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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land' " (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*).

And the Question and amendment being again proposed;

The House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Cobbe, *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 twenty-eight minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, adjourned.

Thursday, the 13th Day of July, 1939.

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. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness in his family.
4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—
 42. General Election, 1938, Return relative to. H.-33.
 43. General Election, 1938: Return showing Votes recorded for each Candidate at each Polling-place within the respective Electorates. H.-33A.
 44. Local Option and National Prohibition Polls, 1938, Return relative to. H.-33B.The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 45. State Fire Insurance Office: Report for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-6.
 46. State Fire Insurance Office (Accident Branch): Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-6A.*Ordered*, That Papers Nos. 42 to 46 inclusive 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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own

country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land'' (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 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 14th Day of July, 1939.

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

On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Frost on account of urgent public business.

3. *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. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen) do prepare and bring it in.

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

On motion of Mr. O'Brien (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Public Health Committee.

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

47. Social Security Act, 1938, Order in Council under the, making the Social Security Contribution Regulations 1939.

48. Air Force Act, 1937, Orders in Council under the, making the Royal New Zealand Air Force Regulations 1939, and Amendments Nos. 1 and 2.

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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by

the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land." (*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 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 18th Day of July, 1939.

PRAYERS.

- 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.
- Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
- Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Macfarlane on account of urgent public business.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Thorn on account of urgent public business.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Tirikatene on account of illness in his family.
- Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
49. Land Settlement Finance Act, 1909, Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of every Association under the, as at 31st March, 1939.
- 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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General,

By His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS.

Message No. 3.

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 July, 1939.

(*Urgency.*)—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded to the passing of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill about to be introduced, and the proceedings preliminary thereto.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

6. *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 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. McKeen 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 then the hour of twenty-four 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.

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 (*Mr. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three

years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land'' (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*).

And the Question and amendment 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 Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment.

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 (*Mr. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land'' (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*).

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 19th Day of July, 1939.

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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Semple on account of urgent public business.
On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Polson on account of urgent public business.
4. *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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly

of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land ' ' (*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 20th Day of July, 1939.

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. Richards, *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. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Cobbe on account of illness.
4. *New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to effect an Exchange of certain Lands between the Corporation of the Borough of New Plymouth and the New Plymouth Harbour Board; to empower the New Plymouth Borough Council to promote Carnivals for the Purpose of raising Funds for the Maintenance and Improvement of Public Reserves and Domains; to authorize the Council to establish Funds for the Promotion of Future Carnivals; and to empower the Council to make By-laws regulating Admission to Carnivals; and that Mr. Frost do prepare and bring it in.
Mr. Frost accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
5. *Paper*.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
50. Stock Act, 1908, Return of Stock slaughtered and Compensation paid under the, during Year ended 31st March, 1939.

6. *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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land ’” (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*).

And the Question and amendment being again proposed;

The House resumed the said Interrupted Debate.

With the leave of the House, the Debate was interrupted in order to consider the hour of meeting to-morrow.

7. *Adjournment.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of eleven of the clock a.m. to-morrow.
8. *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 (*Mr. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £50,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs

and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land ' ' (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton*).

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 eleven of the clock a.m. to-morrow, left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Friday, the 21st Day of July, 1939.

The House met this day at 11 a.m.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day at 11 a.m. was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive.
2. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Macdonald on account of urgent public business.
3. *Papers*.—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 51. Reserve Bank of New Zealand: Annual Report of Board of Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-16.
 54. Bank of New Zealand, Balance-sheet of the, as at 31st March, 1939.
 56. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Mortgage only of all Interest in Coal Lease No. 10456, Westport, from the Hydro Coal Mines, Limited, to Bailie and Company, Limited, Thomas Moynihan, and Henry Lovell.
 57. Petroleum Act, 1937, Order in Council under the, making the Petroleum Regulations 1939.

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

 52. New Zealand Standards Institute: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-34A.
 53. International Labour Conference, Geneva, 1938: Report of New Zealand delegation. A.-7.
 55. International Labour Conference, Geneva, 1938, Draft Convention adopted by the, at its Twenty-fourth Session.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 51 to 53 inclusive be printed.
Paper No. 57 stands referred to the Goldfields and Mines Committee.
4. *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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds:

(1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land'' (*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 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 25th Day of July, 1939.

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. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Cobbe on account of illness.
3. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—
 58. Education: Report of Minister for Year ended 31st December, 1938. E.-1.
 59. Customs Department, Cost of collecting Customs and other Revenue by the, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-12.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 58 and 59 be printed.
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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General,
By His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS. *Message No. 4.*

The Bill intituled the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1939, 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 July, 1939.
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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert

financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land ' ' (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.

Wednesday, the 26th Day of July, 1939.

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. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Lower Clutha River Improvement Act, 1938; and that Mr. Roy do prepare and bring it in.

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

4. *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. Cullen (for the Honourable Mr. Barnard) do prepare and bring it in.

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

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

60. Police Force of the Dominion, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-16.

61. Tourist and Health Resorts and Publicity, Department of: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-2.

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

62. Fire Brigades Act, 1926: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Port Chalmers, Taihape, and Waihi]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Port Chalmers].

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 60 and 61 be printed.

6. *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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General,

By His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS.

Message No. 5.

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, 25th July, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Establish-

ment 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. *Meat Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, according to Order, presented the Meat Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin (with the leave of the House) the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee about to be set up.

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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in

the process of that development he himself would be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand, has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land'' (*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 27th Day of July, 1939.

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. *Property Law Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Property Law Act, 1908, 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.
4. *Hire-purchase Agreements Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill relating to Hire-purchase Agreements, 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.
5. *Legitimation Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend certain Enactments of the General Assembly relating to the Legitimation of Children, 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.

6. *Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Papanui Memorial Hall Management Act, 1928, and to provide for the Future Control, Maintenance, Management, and Administration of the Papanui Memorial Hall by the Christchurch City Council; and that Mr. Macfarlane do prepare and bring it in.

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

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

63. Land and Deeds Registration: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-3.

Ordered, That Paper No. 63 be printed.

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. Macfarlane*); 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 have forfeited the confidence of the country and of this House on the following grounds: (1) That the Government has failed to give adequate attention to the primary questions of providing the man-power and training and the equipment necessary for national defence. Although the Government is spending considerable sums of money in certain defence measures, and although offered the fullest co-operation by the Opposition in dealing with defence problems, it is not taking adequate steps to assist in facing the precarious period through which the Empire is now passing; (2) that the Government has pursued such a spendthrift policy that it now finds itself, after three years of record export production, with London reserves depleted, with the Reserve Bank strength exhausted, and general reserves and credits dissipated, all resulting in a shortage of money that has forced interest-rates up substantially, and sent the Minister of Finance post-haste to London seeking money to carry on; (3) that the imposition of import and export exchange control, to avert financial disaster, is the direct result of the Government's neglect of prudent foresight and its failure to conserve the Dominion's financial resources; that the introduction of these regulations with such severity and abruptness has damaged our good name and credit, and deprived a section of the community of its livelihood, and caused acute business and trade dislocation both in New Zealand and Great Britain, resulting in our currency being unacceptable outside our own country; (4) that, contrary to what might have been anticipated under Labour administration, the Government has completely failed to promote peace in industry, with the result that industrial troubles and disputes to-day have reached record proportions; that the work of the Arbitration Court has been seriously impaired, and many awards of the Court flouted, resulting in serious trade disturbances and costly hold-ups; (5) that, while denying there is any unemployment problem, the Government last financial year spent the record total of £6,474,000 on the relief of unemployment, being £950,000 greater than the revenue for the year; this amounts to slightly more than £3 a week for 40,000 unemployed men for a full year; (6) that its policy in increasing the cost of living has been a betrayal of many wage and salary earners and is equivalent to a substantial cut in their real wages and salaries, thereby reducing purchasing-power, particularly of those in receipt of fixed incomes, such as the Public Service; (7) that the administration of Native Affairs is unsatisfactory; that the undertaking given by the Government that the Native should participate in developing his own land so that in the process of that development he himself would

be given responsibility in directing and implementing that policy has not been fulfilled; that the Government has failed to pursue steadily the Native housing policy as it promised; (8) that the Government's policy, resulting in ever-rising internal costs in New Zealand has had the disastrous consequence of placing the export industries—which are almost wholly farming—at a serious economic disadvantage; that, although export prices are not abnormally low, the farming community in general, and the high-country sheep-farmers in particular, find themselves unable to meet their farming-costs out of revenue; that the Government's policy of high costs and of making relief works of one kind and another so much more attractive than productive employment, is having the direct effect of reducing production and is forcing out of occupation or proper production much second- and third-class land'' (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, 23.

Allen	Grigg	Ngata
Bodkin	Hamilton	Polson
Burnett	Hargest	Ransom
Dickie	Holland	Roy
Doidge	Jull	Wilkinson.
Forbes	Kidd	<i>Tellers.</i>
Goosman	Macdonald	Broadfoot
Gordon	Massey	Kyle.

NOES, 45.

Anderton	Hultquist	Petrie
Armstrong	Jones	Roberts
Atmore	Leo	Robertson
Barclay	Lowry	Schramm
Barrell	Lyon	Semple
Boswell	McCombs	Skinner
Carr	Macfarlane	Stewart
Chapman	McKeen	Sullivan
Coleman	Martin	Thorn
Combs	Meachen	Tirikatene
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Cullen	Neilson	
Denham	Nordmeyer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Osborne	O'Brien
Frost	Paika	Richards.
Hodgens	Parry	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the original Question being put, That a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in reply to His Excellency's Speech, 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 desire to express our deep regret at Your Excellency's approaching departure on the completion of your term as Governor-General of New Zealand, and we also desire gratefully to acknowledge the terms in which you have been pleased to refer to your association with the Parliament and the people of this Dominion.

We shall retain the most cordial remembrance of the sojourn amongst us of Your Excellency and Her Excellency Lady Galway, and we warmly appreciate the intimation that on your return to the Mother-country you will both endeavour, whenever the opportunity offers, to further the interests of this Dominion and its people.

We join with Your Excellency in earnestly trusting that your visit to the Cook Islands and the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa will have useful results.

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 for Divine guidance in our deliberations.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *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.

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

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

Friday, the 28th Day of July, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of Business down to but not including Notices of Motion was postponed until after consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 1 to 16 inclusive.
2. *Public Health Committee*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of eleven 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. Allen, Mr. Anderton, Mr. Boswell, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Kyle, Dr. McMillan, Mr. Richards, Mr. Roy, Mrs. Stewart, and the Mover.
3. *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 which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barrell, Mr. Doidge, Mr. Hodgins, Mr. Holland, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.

4. *Defence Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of twelve members, to consider all matters in connection with defence which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Allen, Mr. Anderton, Mr. Barelay, the Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Frost, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Roy, and the Mover.
5. *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. Macfarlane, Mr. Munro, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Richards, Mr. Schramm, and the Mover.
6. *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 Mr. Goosman, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. Neilson, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Osborne, Mrs. Stewart, and the Mover.
7. *Labour Bills Committee.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien (for the Honourable Mr. Webb), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of eleven members, to consider all Bills or other matters relating to labour which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of the Hon. Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Barrell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Combs, the Hon. Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Holland, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Polson, and the Mover.
8. *Education Committee.*—On motion of 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, training of public-school 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, Mr. Boswell, the Rev. Mr. Carr, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Doidge, Mr. McCombs, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Petrie, and the Mover.
9. *Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen), *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.
10. *Library Committee.*—On motion of 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.

11. *Committee of Selection (Private Bills).*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen), *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.
12. *Joint on Bills Committee.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen), *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. Edean, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.
13. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien (for the Honourable Mr. Webb), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of twelve members, to consider all Bills and other matters relating to mining which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barelay, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Denham, Mr. Goosman, Mr. Frost, the Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. Moncur, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Thorn, and the Mover.
14. *Native Affairs Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (for the Right Honourable Mr. Savage), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of eighteen 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. Allen, the Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Frost, Mr. Kidd, the Hon. Mr. Langstone, Mr. Lowry, the Hon. Mr. Mason, Mr. Massey, Mr. Moncur, the Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Paikea, Mr. Ratana, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Tirikatene, Mr. Williams, and the Mover.
15. *House Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (for 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. Chapman, Mr. Edean, Mr. Kyle, Mr. McKeen, Mr. O'Brien, and the Mover.
16. *Privileges Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (for 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. McKeen, the Hon. Mr. Mason, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.
17. *Public Accounts Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (for 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 the Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Lee, Mr. McCombs, Dr. McMillan, Mr. Polson, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.

18. *Land Transfer Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Land Transfer Act, 1915; 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.
19. *Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Bluff Borough Council to refund certain Rates and to remit Rates accruing in respect of the Bluff Sailors' Rest; and that Colonel Hargest do prepare and bring it in.
Colonel Hargest accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
20. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—
64. New Zealand Naval Forces: Report of Chief of Naval Staff for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-5.
65. Post and Telegraph Department: Report by Hon. F. Jones, Postmaster-General for Year ended 31st March, 1939. F.-1.
Ordered, That Papers Nos. 64 and 65 be printed.
21. *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. 10 (Consideration of written replies to Questions).
22. *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 the time-limit for the Debate be extended until the hour of half after five of the clock p.m. if necessary.
Mr. McCombs moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.
A Debate arose thereupon.
And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-five minutes after four of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 1st Day of August, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business down to but not including Notices of Motion was postponed until after consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive.
3. *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. Barclay, the Rev. Mr. Carr, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Jull, Mr. Massey, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. Munro, and the Mover.

4. *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. Doidge, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Hultquist, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Richards, Mr. Roy, Mr. Schramm, and the Mover.
5. *Agricultural and Pastoral Committee.*—On motion of 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. Boswell, Mr. Burnett, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Kyle, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Williams, and the Mover.
6. *Lands Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, *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. Boswell, Mr. Cullen, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Kidd, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Meachen, the Hon. Sir Alfred Ransom, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams, and the Mover.
7. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Macfarlane on account of urgent public business.
 On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Thorn on account of urgent public business.
 On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for fourteen days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Nash on account of urgent public business.
 On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for fourteen days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Langstone on account of urgent public business.
8. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—
 66. Education—Teachers' Superannuation Fund: Annual Report of Board for Year ended 31st January, 1939. E.-8.
 67. Military Forces of New Zealand: Annual Report of Chief of General Staff for Year ended 31st May, 1939. H.-19.
 The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 68. Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, Order in Council under the, making the Telegraph Regulations 1939.

69. Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Act, 1930, Order in Council under the, protecting the Name and Badge of Toe H, Incorporated.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 66 and 67 be printed.

9. *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.
10. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4.
11. *Hire-purchase Agreements Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Hire-purchase Agreements Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly.
On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee.
12. *Land Transfer Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Land Transfer Amendment Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly.
On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee.
13. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 5.
14. *Property Law Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Property Law Amendment Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly.
On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (for the Honourable Mr. Mason), *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee.
And then the hour of 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.
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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, GOVERNOR-GENERAL,

By His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS.

Message No. 6.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year ending 31st March, 1940, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 1st August, 1939.

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

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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General,

By His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS.

Message No. 7.

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; Defence; 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, 1940, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 1st August, 1939.

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

17. *Ways and Means (Financial Statement: Customs and Excise Duties Resolutions)*.—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Ways and Means;

(Urgency).—On motion of the Right Honourable Mr. Savage, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of certain Resolutions to be submitted in the Committee of Ways and Means.

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 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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen accordingly reported the following Resolutions:—

CUSTOMS DUTIES.

Resolved, That so much of the Customs Tariff as is set out in Part I of the Schedule hereto be cancelled, and that Part II of the Schedule hereto be substituted therefor and be deemed to form part of the Tariff; and that, subject to section 143 of the Customs Act, 1913, there shall be levied, collected, and paid to and for the use of His Majesty on all goods mentioned in Part II of the Schedule hereto and imported into New Zealand or entered therein for home consumption after the 1st day of August, 1939, the duties of Customs mentioned in Column No. 1 or Column No. 2 (as the case may require) of the said Part II.

Resolved, That the duties provided for in the foregoing Resolution shall not be in force in the Cook Islands unless and until the Governor-General by Order in Council so determines, and that, until otherwise lawfully determined, the duties and exemptions now in force in those Islands shall continue to be paid and allowed.

EXCISE DUTIES.

BEER DUTY.

Resolved, That the rates of duty on beer brewed in New Zealand, as fixed by section 18 of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1934, be abolished, and that excise duty shall be payable on all such beer of which the worts are pitched for fermentation after the 1st day of August, 1939, as follows:—

- (a) Where the specific gravity of the worts used in the production of the beer does not exceed 1,047 the duty shall be at the rate of one shilling and ninepence per gallon of the beer; and
- (b) Where the specific gravity of the worts exceeds 1,047 the duty per gallon shall be at the rate aforesaid, increased by one-sixteenth of a penny for every unit of specific gravity above 1,047.

SCHEDULE.

PART I.—PROVISIONS OF TARIFF PROPOSED TO BE CANCELLED.

Item No.	Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff. Column No. 1.	General Tariff. Column No. 2.
CLASS XII.—GREASES, OILS, PAINTS, POLISHES, WAXES, ETC.			
394	Oils in vessels capable of containing 1 gallon or more, viz:— (1) <i>Motor-spirits</i>	10s. per gallon	10s. per gallon.
395	Oils in vessels having a capacity of less than 1 gallon, viz:— (2) <i>Motor-spirits</i>	20% ad val., or 10s. per gallon, whichever rate returns the higher duty	20% ad val., or 10s. per gallon, whichever rate returns the higher duty.

PART II.—DUTIES PROPOSED TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR DUTIES SPECIFIED IN PART I OF THIS SCHEDULE.

Item No.	Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff. Column No. 1.	General Tariff. Column No. 2.
CLASS XII.—GREASES, OILS, PAINTS, POLISHES, WAXES, ETC.			
394	Oils in vessels capable of containing 1 gallon or more, viz:— (1) <i>Motor-spirits</i>	1s. 2d. per gallon	1s. 2d. per gallon.
395	Oils in vessels having a capacity of less than 1 gallon, viz:— (2) <i>Motor-spirits</i>	20% ad val., or 1s. 2d. per gallon, whichever rate returns the higher duty	20% ad val., or 1s. 2d. per gallon, whichever rate returns the higher duty.

And the Resolutions being read a second time;

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

Ordered, That the Resolutions be referred to the Committee on the Bill to be introduced to give statutory effect to the said Resolutions.

Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee of Ways and Means had directed him to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

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

18. *Papers.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

70. Financial Statement by the Right Hon. M. J. Savage, Acting Minister of Finance, together with Estimates of Expenditure (Consolidated Fund and Public Works Fund) for Year ending 31st March, 1940. B.-6.

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

71. Public Accounts for the Financial Year 1938-39. B.-1 [Part I].

72. Public Accounts for the Financial Year 1938-39, also Statement showing the Public Debt of the Dominion as at 31st March, 1939. B.-1 [Part III].

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 70 to 72 inclusive be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fourteen minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 2nd Day of August, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
2. *Lands Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That the name of Mr. McCombs be discharged from the Lands Committee, and that of Mr. Combs substituted therefor.
3. *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. 10 (Consideration of Written Replies to Questions).
4. *Adjournment (Questions and Replies).*—Mr. Kyle moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.
A Debate arose thereupon.
And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.
5. *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, 3 to 5 inclusive, 10 to 14 inclusive, 16 to 20 inclusive, 24, 26, 27, 32 to 34 inclusive, 36, 37, 40 to 44 inclusive, 49, 62, 68, and 69.
Mr. Richards moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 2 be referred to the Government for consideration.
And the Question being put, it passed in the Negative.
No motion made in regard to Papers Nos. 6 and 7.
Mr. Broadfoot moved, and the Question was proposed, That Paper No. 8 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.

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

The Honourable Mr. Fraser 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. Broadfoot, *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 twenty-nine minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 3rd Day of August, 1939.

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. *Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill*.—Mr. Doidge presented a Petition from the Arawa Land Company, Limited, praying for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled "An Act to empower the Tauranga Licensing Committee to grant an Accommodation or Publican's License in the Town of Matamata."

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. *Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Jones presented a Petition from the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property, praying for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Act, 1906, and the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act, 1930."

An endorsement by the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows: "Standing Orders not complied with."

The Report by the Examiner on such non-compliance was also read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

On the Petition of the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property for a Private Bill to (a) extend the definition of Deacons Court to include a Board of Managers of a Congregation within the meaning of that term as used in the Book of Order of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand; (b) empower the Synod to delegate its rights of concurrence, direction, and consent under sections 27, 28, and 39 of the said Act; (c) widen the scope of section 22 of the said Act so as to provide for the needs of present-day religious worship and religious education; (d) extend the period of the amendment Act of 1930 for a period of twenty-five years from the 31st day of July, 1940, I have to report that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in that the advertisements in the *New Zealand Gazette* which should have been completed by the 26th May, 1939, were not completed until the 22nd day of June, 1939, and that the advertisements in the newspapers circulating in the district to which the Bill applies which should have been completed by the 26th May, 1939, were not completed until the 17th day of June, 1939.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Petition and the Report, together with the Bill, stand referred to the Joint Committee (Private Bills).

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them of this fact.

4. *Petitions*.—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
5. *Petitions not finally dealt with during previous Session*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That all petitions not finally dealt with during the session of 1938 be again referred to the same Committees as they were referred to during the said session.
6. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for fourteen days be granted to the Right Honourable Mr. Savage on account of illness.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Thorn on account of urgent public business.
7. *Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to vest Further Powers in the Otago Harbour 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.
8. *Paper*.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
73. Government Railways Superannuation Fund: Report of Board for Year ended 31st March, 1939. D.-5.
Ordered, That Paper No. 73 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.

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 4th Day of August, 1939.

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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Hultquist on account of urgent public business.

4. *Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Nelson Harbour Board to borrow the Sum of Thirty-five Thousand Pounds for the Purpose of Harbour-works and for Buildings and Improvements at Nelson Airport; and that Mr. Atmore do prepare and bring it in.
Mr. Atmore accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
5. *Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt the Auckland Transport Board from Liability for Rates in respect of the Tramway Tracks and Related Gear used in connection with the Auckland Tramway System; 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 printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
6. *Auckland City Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the Auckland City Council to refund or remit Drainage and Water Rates or Part thereof in Respect of certain Properties in the City of Auckland; to empower the said Council to transfer certain Land adjoining the Site of the Auckland University College to the College Council; and to empower the said Council to expend Part of the Bequest made to it as Controlling Body of the Auckland Art Gallery under the Will of the late Alexander Richardson Dickey Watson towards the cost of the provision of a Group of Statuary in Albert Park, Auckland; and that Mr. Munro (for Mr. Anderton) 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.
7. *Paper.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
74. Mental Hospitals of the Dominion, Report on, for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-7.
Ordered, That Paper No. 74 be printed.
8. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
9. *Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 10th day of August.
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. O'Brien, *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 sixteen minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 8th Day of August, 1939.

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. *Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill*.—The Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill being called on;
Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order as the subject-matter was not a proper one for a Private Bill.
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. O'Brien, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness in his family.
5. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Act, 1913; 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.
6. *Papers*.—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—
 76. Education of Native Children: Report of Inspector of Native Schools for Year ended 31st December, 1938. E.-3.
The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 77. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 31st August, 1938 [Producers and Citizens Co-operative Assurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 30th September, 1938 [Australian Provincial Assurance Association, Limited]; for Year ended 31st December, 1938 [Atlas Assurance Company, Limited; Bennie S. Cohen and Son (N.Z.), Limited; Northern Assurance Company, Limited; Pearl Assurance Company, Limited; Provident Life Assurance Company, Limited; Queensland Insurance Company, Limited; and Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited].
 78. Defence Act, 1909, and Amendments, Financial Instructions and Allowance Regulations for New Zealand Military Forces issued under the.
The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—
 75. Country Library Service: Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-32A.
Ordered, That Papers Nos. 75 and 76 be printed.
7. *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.

Wednesday, the 9th Day of August, 1939.

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

79. Marine Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-15.

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

80. National Provident Fund: Annual Report of Board for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-17.

81. Primary Products Marketing Department: Annual Report and Accounts for Year ended 31st July, 1938. H.-30.

83. Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1908, Order in Council under the, making the Industrial and Provident Societies Fees Regulations 1939.

84. Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926: Annual Report by Minister of Finance showing Applications for State-guaranteed Loans.

85. School of Agriculture Act, 1937: Reports and Accounts for Year ended 31st December, 1938, of the New Zealand School of Agriculture, Canterbury Agricultural College, and the Massey Agricultural College.

86. Fire Brigades Act, 1926: Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts of the Levin Fire Board for Year ended 31st March, 1938.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 79 to 81 inclusive be printed.

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

The Audit Office, Wellington, 9th August, 1939.

The Honourable the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir,—

In compliance with section 89 (4) of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, I have the honour to submit to the House of Representatives the Public Accounts for the financial year ended 31st March, 1939 (B.-1 [Part II]), together with my report on same.

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:—

82. Public Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1939, together with Report of Controller and Auditor-General. B.-1 [Pt. II].

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That Paper No. 82 be printed.

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.

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 10th Day of August, 1939.

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. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Roberts, *Ordered*, That the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
4. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—

87. Education—Child Welfare, State Care of Children, Special Schools, and Infant-life Protection: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. E.-4.

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

88. Department of Health: Annual Report of Director-General for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-31.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 87 and 88 be printed.
5. *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 11th Day of August, 1939.

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

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

89. Rural Intermediate Credit Board, Report of the, for Year ended 30th June, 1938. B.-14.

90. State Advances Corporation of New Zealand: Report of Board of Management, together with Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-13.

91. Rural Intermediate Credit Board, Statement of Accounts of the, for Year ended 30th June, 1938.

92. Customs Act, 1913, Order in Council issued under the, prohibiting the Exportation to the United Kingdom of Processed Milk.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 89 and 90 be printed.

4. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser moved, and the Question was proposed, That urgency be accorded the passing of the motion, 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, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

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Anderton	Hultquist	Parry
Armstrong	Jones	Petrie
Atmore	Lee	Roberts
Barclay	Lowry	Schramm
Barrell	Lyon	Semple
Boxwell	McCombs	Stewart
Carr	McKeen	Sullivan
Chapman	McMillan	Thorn
Coleman	Mason	Tirikatene
Combs	Meachen	Williams.
Cotterill	Moncur	
Denham	Munro.	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Neilson	O'Brien
Frost	Nordmeyer.	Richards.
Hodgens	Osborne	

NOES, 23.

Allen	Gordon	Massey
Bodkin	Grigg	Polson
Cobbe	Hamilton	Ransom
Dickie	Hargest	Roy
Doidge	Holland	Wilkinson.
Endean	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Forbes	Kild	Broadfoot
Goosman	Maedonald	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That urgency be accorded the passing of the motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

5. *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.

The Right Honourable Mr. Forbes moved, seconded by Mr. Kyle, 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: "this House urges the Government to consider whether the time has arrived for it to state that this House has no

sympathy with any suggestion of repudiation of our debts, either overseas or in New Zealand, and affirms that the Dominion is determined to fulfil her obligations both now and in the future; that the Government give emphatic contradiction to any suggestions made in this House (implied or otherwise) to the contrary, and that this House expresses appreciation to the United Kingdom Government for the generous treatment accorded New Zealand in the recent financial negotiations in London."

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	Jones	Petrie
Atmore	Lee	Roberts
Barclay	Lowry	Robertson
Barrell	Lyon	Schramm
Boswell	McCombs	Skinner
Carr	McKeen	Stewart
Chapman	McMillan	Sullivan
Coleman	Martin	Thorn
Combs	Mason	Williams.
Cotterill	Moncur	
Fraser	Munro	<i>Tellers.</i>
Frost	Neilson	O'Brien
Hodgens	Nordmeyer	Richards.
Hultquist	Parry	
	NOES, 21.	
Allen	Hamilton	Ransom
Bodkin	Hargest	Roy
Cobbe	Holland	Wilkinson.
Doidge	Jull	
Forbes	Kidd	<i>Tellers.</i>
Goosman	Macdonald	Broadfoot
Gordon	Massey	Kyle.
Grigg	Polson	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the original Question being again 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 Dr. McMillan, *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 fifty-eight minutes after four of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 15th Day of August, 1939.

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 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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to the Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer on account of illness in his family.

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

93. Public Service Commissioner, Twenty-seventh Report of the. H.-14.

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

99. Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act, 1934, and Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936, Order in Council under the, making the Hop Marketing Regulations 1939.

100. Public Service Act, 1912, Orders in Council under the, making the Public Service Remuneration Order 1938, the Public Service Amending Regulations 1938, the Public Service Amending Regulations 1939, and the Public Service Amending Regulations 1939 (No. 2).

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

94. Transport Department, Annual Report of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-40.

95. Regulations Act, 1936, Report on the working of the. H.-24.

96. Native Department, Annual Report of the Under-Secretary, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. G.-9.

97. Railways Statement, by the Hon. D. G. Sullivan, Minister of Railways, together with Annual Report of the General Manager of Railways, for Year ended 31st March, 1939.

98. Internal Affairs, Department of: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-22.

101. Forests Act, 1921-22: Proposal to revoke the Permanent State Forest Reservation over Reserve 1848, Block III, Waitaki Survey District, Canterbury Land District.

102. Forests Act, 1921-22: Proposal to revoke the Permanent State Forest Reservation over 2 acres 2 roods 28 perches situated in Block II, Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 93 to 98 inclusive be printed.

5. *Defence Committee.*—Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of A. J. Stewart and J. J. Wilson, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lyon, from the Defence Committee, also brought up a Report on the Petition of Margaret G. Johnson, and moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Report do lie upon the Table, and be referred to the Government for consideration.

Mr. Denham 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.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be referred to the Government for consideration.

6. *Local Bills Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Carr (for Mr. Munro), from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Christchurch City Council Empowering Bill, the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill, and the Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Christchurch City Council Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Christchurch City Council Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 17th day of August.
8. *New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill.*—The New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.
9. *Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 17th day of August.
10. *Statutes Revision Committee.*—Mr. Richards (for Mr. Schramm), from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on the Property Law Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
11. *Property Law Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Property Law Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.
12. *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;
(*Urgency.*)—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the motion, “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. Skinner, *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 ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 16th Day of August, 1939.

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 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. *Domestic Proceedings Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Destitute Persons Act, 1910, for the Purpose of making Better Provision in relation to Domestic Proceedings and other Matters; 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 and ordered to be printed.

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.

4. *Suspension of Standing Order (Local Bills)*.—On motion of Mr. Macfarlane, *Ordered*, That in reference to the Christchurch Metropolitan Milk Bill, Standing Order 366 be suspended so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed.

5. *Christchurch Metropolitan Milk Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to constitute the Christchurch Metropolitan Milk District and to empower the Christchurch City Council to undertake and control the Sale, Purchase, and Distribution of Milk for the District; and that Mr. Macfarlane do prepare and bring it in.

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

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

103. Public Service Superannuation Board, Annual Report of the, together with Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-26.

Ordered, That Paper No. 103 be printed.

7. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee*.—Mr. Osborne (for the Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer), from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of F. Malone, Ella E. A. Olliver, Mary Pilling, and J. McCormick and others; 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 J. McCormick and others be referred to the Government for investigation.

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;

(*Urgency*.)—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the motion, "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. Robertson, *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 twenty-six minutes after eleven of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 17th Day of August, 1939.

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 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. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Webb on account of illness.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Frost on account of urgent public business.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness.
4. *Suspension of Standing Order (Local Bills)*.—On motion of Mr. Macfarlane, *Ordered*, That in reference to the Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill, Standing Order 366 be suspended so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed.
5. *Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Christchurch Tramway District Act, 1920; and that Mr. Macfarlane do prepare and bring it in.
Mr. Macfarlane 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:—
 104. Air Department, Report of the, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-37.
 105. Prisons Board, Annual Report of the, for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-20A.
 106. Prisons and Borstals, Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-20.The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 107. Pensions Department: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-18.
 108. Fire Brigades Act, 1926: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Dargaville, Masterton, Waitara, Wanganui, and Westport]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Levin, Nelson, and Wanganui].
Ordered, That Papers Nos. 104 to 107 inclusive be printed.

7. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill and the Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
 8. *Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—The Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.
 9. *Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 24th day of August.
 10. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the motion, “That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.”
 11. *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. O'Brien, 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 twenty-seven minutes after eleven of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Friday, the 18th Day of August, 1939.

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. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for five days be granted to Mr. Allen on account of urgent public business.
3. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of C. Gaukrodger, and J. R. Reweti 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 C. Gaukrodger be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of J. R. Reweti and another be referred to the Government for inquiry.

4. *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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General,

by His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS.

Message No. 8.

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, 17th August, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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. Fraser do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

5. *Finance Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, 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.

6. *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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—

GALWAY, Governor-General,

By His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS.

Message No. 9.

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-nine," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 17th August, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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-nine.

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.

7. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, 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.
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 Deputy; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as follows:—
- GALWAY, Governor-General,
By His Deputy, MICHAEL MYERS. *Message No. 10.*
- The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Better Provision for the Registration and Control of Pharmaceutical Chemists, and to provide for the Registration or Licensing of Wholesale Druggists and Manufacturing Chemists," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.
- Government House,
Wellington, 17th August, 1939.
- 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. McKean reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.
- Ordered,* That the Report be considered forthwith.
- Mr. McKean 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 Registration and Control of Pharmaceutical Chemists, and to provide for the Registration or Licensing of Wholesale Druggists and Manufacturing Chemists.
- 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.
9. *Pharmacy Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Sullivan, according to Order, presented the Pharmacy Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed. On motion of the Honourable Mr. Sullivan (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Industries and Commerce Committee.
10. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered,* That urgency be accorded the passing of the motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply."
11. *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. Thorn, *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 twenty-two minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 22nd Day of August, 1939.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. McKeen, the Chairman of Committees, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker pursuant to the Standing Order.

PRAYERS.

1. *Address in Reply.*—The Deputy Speaker informed the House that His Excellency the Governor-General had been pleased to appoint the hour of half after eleven of the clock a.m. on Thursday, the 24th day of August, at Government House, as the time and place for the presentation of the Address in Reply.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-two minutes after two of the clock p.m., the Deputy Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair until the ringing of the bell.

On the ringing of the bell at half after three of the clock p.m. Mr. Speaker being returned resumed the Chair.

2. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Order of the Day 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, was postponed until after consideration of Order of Business Nos. 1 to 9 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. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness in his family.

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

109. Offenders Probation Act, 1920, Report of Chief Probation Officer on the Operations of, for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-20b.

110. Education—Higher Education: Reports and Accounts of the University of New Zealand and Constituent Colleges, with Tables, &c. E.-7.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 109 and 110 be printed.

6. *Statutes Revision Committee.*—Mr. Munro (for Mr. Schramm), from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on the Land Transfer Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

7. *Land Transfer Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Land Transfer Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.

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. 11.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Creation, Custody, and Disposition of Adhesive Stamps and for the Application of Revenues derived therefrom, and for the Discontinuance of the Use of Dies," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 21st August, 1939.

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. McKean reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKean 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 Creation, Custody, and Disposition of Adhesive Stamps and for the Application of Revenues derived therefrom, and for the Discontinuance of the Use of Dies.

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.

9. *Adhesive Stamps Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Jones, according to Order, presented the Adhesive Stamps Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
10. *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. 12.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Justices of the Peace Act, 1927, in relation to the Penalties imposed on Summary Conviction or by Orders of Justices," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 21st August, 1939.

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. McKean reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKean 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 Justices of the Peace Act, 1927, in relation to the Penalties imposed on Summary Conviction or by Orders of Justices.

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.

11. *Summary Penalties Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Summary Penalties Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

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.

12. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply."
13. *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 the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *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 twenty-nine minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 23rd Day of August, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committees 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.
On motion of Mr. Williams, *Ordered*, That the Lands Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
2. *Sale of Liquor in Bellamy's.*—Mr. Speaker announced to the House that a poll was taken in both Houses on Tuesday, the 22nd August, 1939, under section 270 of the Legislature Act, 1908, as to whether liquor should be sold within the precincts of Parliament Buildings during the remainder of the present Parliament, and the result was as follows:—

	Ayes.	Noes.
Legislative Council	28	4
House of Representatives	60	15
Totals	88	19

showing a majority of sixty-nine in favour of such sale.

In accordance with the Act, the Speakers of both Houses have met, and, having ascertained the result of the poll, have given their authority for the sale of liquor within the precincts of the Parliament Buildings until the close of the last session of the present Parliament, and until the poll prescribed by the Act shall be taken during the next ensuing Parliament.

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 10 inclusive, with the exception of No. 8, and further business was postponed to enable Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 to be passed through all remaining stages before proceeding to the consideration of Order of Business No. 10.

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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Macfarlane on account of a bereavement in his family.

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

111. Cook Islands Administration, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. A.-3.

113. Niue Island Administration, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. A.-6.

119. Settlement of Crown Lands: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-1.

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

114. Discharged Soldiers Settlement, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-9.

115. Hauraki Plains, Drainage Operations in: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939, together with Accounts. C.-8.

116. Kauri-gum Industry, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-12.

117. National Endowments: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939, together with Schedule showing Aggregate Area of Land excluded from the Endowment. C.-14.

118. Rangitaiki Land Drainage: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939, together with Accounts. C.-11.

120. Swamp Drainage: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939, together with Accounts. C.-4.

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

112. Western Samoa, Mandated Territory of, Annual Report of the New Zealand Government on the Administration of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. A.-4.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 111 to 120 inclusive be printed.

7. *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. McGregor, Williamina M. Rowe, and J. R. Taylor; 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 Williamina M. Rowe 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 P. McGregor be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

8. *Property Law Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Property Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

9. *Land Transfer Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Land Transfer Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

10. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Property Law Amendment Bill and the Land Transfer Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

11. *Property Law Amendment Bill:*

The amendments made by the Statutes Revision Committee in the Bill were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 8 inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

12. *Land Transfer Amendment Bill:*

The amendments made by the Statutes Revision Committee in the Bill were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 13 inclusive read and agreed to.

First and Second Schedules read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

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13. *Property Law Amendment Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Property Law 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 Property Law Act, 1908.”

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

14. *Land Transfer Amendment Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Land Transfer 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 Land Transfer Act, 1915.”

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

15. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Order of Business was postponed in order to consider Order of the Day No. 4.

16. *Legitimation Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Legitimation 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.

17. *Adjournment (Questions and Replies).*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That Supplementary Order Papers Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive be taken together for the purposes of discussion, and that Members be afforded an opportunity of speaking a second time.

The Reverend Mr. Carr moved, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And then 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.

18. *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 £109,995 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940. (*Honourable Mr. Fraser.*)

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had made progress in the Estimates, 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 Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 24th Day of August, 1939.

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 First Session of the Twenty-sixth 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 Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That the reply of His Excellency be entered on the Journals of the House.

2. *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.
3. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 121. National Broadcasting Services: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. F.-3.
 122. National Art Gallery and Dominion Museum: Report of Board of Trustees for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-21.
 123. State Forest Service: Annual Report of the Director of Forestry for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-3.
Ordered, That Papers Nos. 121 to 123 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. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Williams, from the Lands Committee, brought up Reports on the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill, the Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill, and on the Petition of E. R. Renner and another; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
6. *New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 31st day of August.
7. *Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 31st day of August.
8. *Postponement of Orders of the Day (Local Bills).*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day for Local Bills was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2.
9. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser moved, and the Question was proposed, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Finance Bill and the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.
 And the Question being put, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 41.

Anderton	Hultquist	Osborne
Armstrong	Jones	Parry
Barclay	Leo	Petrie
Barrell	Lowry	Roberts
Boswell	Lyon	Robertson
Chapman	McCombs	Schramm
Coleman	McKeen	Skinner
Combs	McMillan	Stewart
Cotterill	Martin	Sullivan
Cullen	Mason	Thorn
Denham	Meachen	Williams.
Fraser	Moucur	<i>Tellers.</i>
Frost	Munro	O'Brien
Hodgens	Neilson	Richards.

NOES, 22.

Bodkin	Gordon	Massey
Burnett	Grigg	Ransom
Coates	Hamilton	Roy
Cobbe	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Dickie	Holland	
Endean	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Forbes	Kidd	Broadfoot
Goosman	Macdonald	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Finance Bill and the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.

10. *Finance Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Finance Bill;

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

A Debate arose thereupon.

Mr. Kyle moved, seconded by Mr. Broadfoot, 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 for further consideration on the following lines: (1) That the authorities for borrowing for public works and main highways contained in the Bill are excessive; (2) that our public finances should be so arranged as to bring our expenditure within such bounds that it can reasonably be said that we are living within our income; (3) that too great an expenditure is being allocated to public works of a non-interest-bearing nature; (4) that more consideration should be given to direct capital expenditure from public works to both primary and secondary industries."

And the Question and amendment being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

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

FRIDAY, THE 25TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1939.

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.

Anderton	Jones	Roberts
Barelay	Lee	Robertson
Barrell	Lowry	Schramm
Boswell	Lyon	Semple
Carr	McCombs	Skinner
Chapman	McKeen	Stewart
Coleman	Martin	Sullivan
Combs	Mason	Thorn
Cotterill	Meachen	Williams
Cullen	Moncur	
Fraser	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Frost	Osborne	O'Brien
Hodgens	Parry	Richards.
Hultquist	Petrie	

NOES, 23.

Bodkin	Goosman	Macdonald
Burnett	Gordon	Massey
Coates	Grigg	Polson
Cobbe	Hamilton	Roy
Dickie	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Doidge	Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Endean	Jull	Broadfoot
Forbes	Kidd	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the original Question being put, That the Finance 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 presently.

11. *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 Bill was read a second time accordingly, and ordered to be committed next sitting-day.

12. *Sitting of House.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of half after eleven of the clock a.m. this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit until thirty-two minutes after two of the clock a.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Friday, the 25th Day of August, 1939.

The House met this day at 11.30 a.m.

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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Paikea on account of urgent public business.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for five days be granted to Mr. Tirikatene on account of illness in his family.
3. *Suspension of Standing Order (Local Bills).*—On motion of Mr. Roy, *Ordered*, That, in reference to the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2), Standing Order 366 be suspended so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed.
4. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2).*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Lower Clutha River Improvement Act, 1938; and that Mr. Roy do prepare and bring it in.
Mr. Roy accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
5. *Suspension of Standing Order (Local Bills).*—On motion of Mr. Roy, *Ordered*, That, in reference to the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3), Standing Order 366 be suspended so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed.
6. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3).*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Lower Clutha River Improvement Act, 1938; and that Mr. Roy do prepare and bring it in.
Mr. Roy accordingly presented the Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Local Bills Committee.
7. *Message from the 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, 1939, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

8. *Alsation Dog Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Bill from the Legislative Council to more strictly control Alsation 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 6th day of September.

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

124. Public Trust Office, Annual Report of the, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-9.

125. Public Trust Office, Accounts of the, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-9A.

126. Harbours Act, 1923—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Harbour Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Greymouth and Hicks Bay]; for Year ended 30th September, 1938 [Foxton, Kawhia, Mangawai, Motueka, Timaru, Tolaga Bay, Wanganui, and Whangateau-Omaha]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Raglan].

127. Canterbury Provincial Buildings Vesting Act, 1928: Statements of Accounts of Canterbury Provincial Buildings Board for Year ended 31st March, 1939.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 124 and 125 be printed.

10. *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.

11. *Local Bills Committee*.—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill, the Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill, the Auckland City Empowering Bill, and the Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill.

12. *Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill*.—The Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.

13. *Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 31st day of August.

14. *Auckland City Empowering Bill*.—The Auckland City Empowering Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.

15. *Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill be read a second time on Thursday, the 31st day of August.

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

17. *Finance Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

19. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Finance Bill and the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.

20. *Finance Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read.

To report progress and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen 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.

21. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had made no progress in the Land and Income Tax (Annual) 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. *Ministerial Statement (International Situation).*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser having made a statement relative to the international situation; The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee on the Finance Bill and the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

23. *Finance Bill:*

Clause 1 read and agreed to.

Clause 2 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the word "fifteen" in line 14, and to substitute the word "fourteen". (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton.*)

And the Question being put on the retention of the word, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 38.

Armstrong
Atmore
Barclay
Barrell
Boswell
Carr
Chapman
Coleman
Combs
Cotterill
Fraser
Frost
Hodgens

Hultquist
Jones
Lee
Lowry
Lyon
McCombs
Martin
Mason
Meachen
Moncur
Munro
Neilson
Osborne

Parry
Petrie
Roberts
Robertson
Schramm
Semple
Skinner
Stewart
Thorn
Williams.
Tellers.
O'Brien
Richards.

NOES, 24.

Bodkin
Burnett
Coates
Cobbe
Dickie
Doidge
Endean
Forbes
Goosman

Gordon
Grigg
Hamilton
Hargest
Holland
Jull
Kidd
Macdonald
Massey

Polson
Ransom
Roy
Wilkinson.
Tellers.
Broadfoot
Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the word "three" in line 28, and to substitute the word "two". (*Mr. Jull.*)

And the Question being put on the retention of the word, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 38.

Armstrong	Hultquist	Petrie
Atmore	Jones	Roberts
Barclay	Lec	Robertson
Barrell	Lowry	Schramm
Boswell	Lyon	Semple
Carr	McCombs	Skinner
Chapman	Martin	Stewart
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Combs	Meachen	Thorn
Cotterill	Moncur	Williams.
Fraser	Munro	<i>Tellers.</i>
Frost	Neilson	O'Brien
Hodgens	Osborne	Richards.

NOES, 24.

Bodkin	Gordon	Polson
Burnett	Grigg	Ransom
Coates	Hamilton	Roy
Cobbe	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Dickie	Holland	
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Endean	Kidd	Broadfoot
Forbes	Macdonald	Kyle.
Goosman	Massey	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 12 inclusive read and 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, 37.

Armstrong	Hultquist	Petrie
Atmore	Jones	Roberts
Barclay	Lec	Robertson
Barrell	Lowry	Schramm
Boswell	Lyon	Semple
Carr	McCombs	Skinner
Chapman	Martin	Stewart
Coleman	Meachen	Thorn
Combs	Moncur	Williams.
Cotterill	Munro	
Fraser	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Frost	Osborne	O'Brien
Hodgens	Parry	Richards.

NOES, 24.

Bodkin	Gordon	Polson
Burnett	Grigg	Ransom
Coates	Hamilton	Roy
Cobbe	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Dickie	Holland	
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Endean	Kidd	Broadfoot
Forbes	Macdonald	Kyle.
Goosman	Massey	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 14 to 21 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 22 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit the words "the first day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine", and to substitute the words "after the passing of this Act". (*Mr. Bodkin.*)

And the Question being put on the retention of the words, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 36.

Armstrong
Barclay
Barrell
Boswell
Carr
Chapman
Coleman
Combs
Cotterill
Fraser
Hodgens
Hultquist
Jones

Lee
Lowry
Lyon
McCombs
Martin
Mason
Moncur
Munro
Neilson
Osborne
Parry
Petrie
Roberts

Robertson
Schramm
Semple
Skinner
Stewart
Sullivan
Thorn
Williams.

Tellers.
O'Brien
Richards.

NOES, 24.

Atmore
Bodkin
Burnett
Coates
Cobbe
Doidge
Endean
Forbes
Goosman

Gordon
Grigg
Hamilton
Hargest
Holland
Jull
Kidd
Macdonald
Massey

Polson
Ransom
Roy
Wilkinson.

Tellers.
Broadfoot
Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 23 to 28 inclusive read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

24. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill:*

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, 35.

Armstrong
Barclay
Barrell
Boswell
Carr
Chapman
Combs
Cotterill
Fraser
Hodgens
Hultquist
Jones

Lee
Lowry
Lyon
McCombs
Martin
Mason
Moncur
Munro
Neilson
Osborne
Parry
Petrie

Roberts
Robertson
Schramm
Semple
Skinner
Stewart
Sullivan
Thorn
Williams.
Tellers.
O'Brien
Richards.

NOES, 23.

Bodkin
Burnett
Coates
Cobbe
Doidge
Endean
Forbes
Goosman

Gordon
Grigg
Hamilton
Hargest
Holland
Jull
Kidd
Macdonald

Massey
Polson
Ransom
Roy
Wilkinson.
Tellers.
Broadfoot
Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

25. *Finance Bill*.—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Finance 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 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.

26. *Land and Income Tax (Annual) Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also 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 of Income-tax for the Year commencing on the First Day of April, Nineteen hundred and thirty-nine."

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 twenty-nine minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 29th Day of August, 1939.

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. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Paikea on account of illness in his family.

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

128. Mines Statement by the Hon. P. C. Webb, Minister of Mines, for Year ended 31st December, 1938. C.-2.

131. Labour, Annual Report of the Department of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-11.

132. Agriculture, Annual Report of the Department of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-29.

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

129. State Coal-mines, Report on the Working of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-2A.

133. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment by way of Sale of all Interest in Coal Leases 6001 and 6071, Reefton, from Horace Albert Honey and John James Moyle to the Burnwell Coal Company, Limited.

134. Coal-mines Act, 1925: Assignment of the late Obadiah Moyle's Interest in Coal Lease No. 6071, Reefton, from the Public Trustee to John James Moyle.

135. Fire Brigades Act, 1926 -Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Morrinsville]; for Year ended 31st March, 1937 [Morrinsville]; for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Morrinsville, Nelson, Palmerston North, and Timaru]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Christchurch, Morrinsville, and Woodville].

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

130. Scientific and Industrial Research, Annual Report of the Department of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-34.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 128 to 132 inclusive be printed.

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 Finance Act, 1939, and the Land and Income Tax (Annual) Act, 1939, without amendment.

5. *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. 13.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Motor-vehicles and Road Transport Services," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 29th August, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Law relating to Motor-vehicles and Road Transport Services.

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

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

6. *Transport Law Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Semple, according to Order, presented the Transport Law Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

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.)

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £109,995 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940. (*Honourable Mr. Fraser.*)

Amendment proposed: To reduce the total vote by the sum of £1. (*Mr. Polson.*)

And the Question being put on the reduction, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 19.

Allen	Gordon	Polson
Bodkin	Grigg	Roy
Burnett	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Coates	Holland	
Doidge	Kidd	<i>Tellers.</i>
Endean	Massey	Broadfoot
Goosman	Ngata	Kyle.

NOES, 34.

Armstrong	Jones	Robertson
Barrell	Lee	Schramm
Boswell	Lyon	Semple
Carr	McCombs	Skinner
Chapman	Macfarlane	Stewart
Combs	Martin	Sullivan
Cotterill	Mason	Thorn
Denham	Moncur	Webb.
Fraser	Nordmeyer	
Frost	Osborne	<i>Tellers.</i>
Hodgens	Parry	O'Brien
Hultquist	Roberts	Richards.

So it passed in the Negative.

Vote agreed to.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £48,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Treasury Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £158,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £42,979 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Audit Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioner's Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £204,112 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Marine Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electoral Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £625,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Motion made and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,537,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940. (*Honourable Mr. Fraser.*)

Amendment proposed: To reduce the item "Subsidies to Hospital Boards," £987,585, by the sum of £1,000. (*Mr. Jull.*)

And the Question being put on the reduction, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 22.		
Allen	Goosman	Polson
Bodkin	Gordon	Ransom
Burnett	Grigg	Roy
Coates	Hargest	Wilkinson.
Cobbe	Holland	
Dickie	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Doidge	Kidd	Broadfoot
Endean	Massey	Kyle.
NOES, 36.		
Anderton	Hodgens	Roberts
Armstrong	Hultquist	Robertson
Atmore	Jones	Schramm
Barrell	Lee	Semple
Boswell	Lyon	Stewart
Chapman	McCombs	Sullivan
Coleman	Macfarlane	Thorn
Combs	McMillan	Webb.
Cotterill	Martin	
Cullen	Mason	<i>Tellers.</i>
Denham	Meachen	O'Brien
Fraser	Nordmeyer	Richards.
Frost	Parry	

So it passed in the Negative.

Vote agreed to.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £409,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,470,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. McKeen 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 fifty-three minutes after nine of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 30th Day of August, 1939.

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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for ten days be granted to the Right Honourable Mr. Savage on account of illness.
- On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for seven days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Langstone on account of urgent public business.
- On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to the Honourable Mr. Nash on account of urgent public business.
3. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
136. Public Accounts: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of various Government Departments for Year ended 31st March, 1938. B.-1 [Pt. IV], Sup. to 1938.
137. Friendly Societies and Trade-unions: Annual Report by the Registrar of Friendly Societies for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-1.
- Ordered*, That Papers Nos. 136 and 137 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. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
6. *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 31st day of August.
7. *Statutes Revision Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on the Hire-purchase Agreements Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
8. *Hire-purchase Agreements Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Hire-purchase Agreements Bill be committed next sitting-day.
9. *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.
10. *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. 14.

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 31st March, 1940.

Government House,

Wellington, 24th August, 1939.

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

11. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Imprest Supply Bill (No. 2) and proceedings preliminary thereto.

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

The Honourable Mr. Fraser 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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen accordingly reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding eleven million four hundred and eighty-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 forty.

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

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

Mr. McKeen 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. *Ways and Means.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Ways and Means;

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Resolved*, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into the 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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 forty,—

(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 ten million three 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 one million one hundred and twenty-eight 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 forty.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

The Consolidated Fund—		£
Ordinary Revenue Account	.. .. .	4,500,000
The Public Works Fund—		
General Purposes Account	.. .. .	2,000,000
Electric Supply Account	.. .. .	300,000
Separate Accounts—		
Land for Settlements Account	.. .. .	30,000
Main Highways Account	.. .. .	950,000
Social Security Fund Account	.. .. .	400,000
State Coal-mines Account	70,000
State Forests Account	110,000
Working Railways Account	2,000,000
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		£10,360,000

SECOND SCHEDULE.

		£
The Post Office Account	800,000
The Public Trustee's Account	70,000
The Native Trustee's Account	.. .. .	6,000
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	.. .. .	5,000
The Dairy Industry Account	.. .. .	10,000
The Internal Marketing Account	.. .. .	20,000
The Broadcasting Account	60,000
The Iron and Steel Industry Account	65,000
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		£1,128,000

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

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

Mr. McKee 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.

14. *Imprest Supply Bill (No. 2)*.—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, according to Order, presented the Imprest Supply Bill (No. 2), 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. McKee 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 forty.”

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 twenty-six minutes after eleven of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Thursday, the 31st Day of August, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Roberts, *Ordered*, That the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
2. *Suspension of Standing Order (Local Bills).*—On motion of Mr. Barrell, *Ordered*, That in reference to the Waikato Airport Bill Standing Order 366 be suspended so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed.
3. *Waikato Airport Bill.*—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the establishment of an aerodrome for Waikato, for the incorporation and powers of an Airport Board in connection therewith, for the conferring of powers on the Hamilton Borough Council, the Te Awamutu Borough Council, the Cambridge Borough Council, the Huntly Borough Council, the Morrinsville Borough Council, the Ngaruawahia Borough Council, the Waipa County Council, the Waikato County Council, and the Raglan County Council with respect thereto, and for regulating the rights, powers, and privileges of the said Councils with respect thereto; 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.
4. *Paper.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—
138. Education—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, 1938. E.-2.
Ordered, That Paper No. 138 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 for Local Bills.
6. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Report on Parliamentary Paper No. 57 (Regulations under the Petroleum Act, 1939) and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
7. *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 the Reverend Dean J. J. O'Donnell and others, the Otahuhu Borough Council, E. E. Vaile, and C. A. Whitney and others; 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 the Reverend Dean J. J. O'Donnell and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petition of the Otahuhu Borough Council be referred to the Government for consideration and inquiry.

8. *Local Bills Committee*.—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
9. *Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.
10. *Public Petitions A to L Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Elizabeth Adams and others, J. T. Cowan, G. W. Barr and others, and Margaret Beattie; 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 J. T. Cowan be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petition of Elizabeth Adams and others be referred to the Government for consideration.
11. *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. 15.

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,

Wellington, 31st August, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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. *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. 16.

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,

Wellington, 31st August, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

13. *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;

Mr. Cotterill 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. Fraser, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed presently.

14. *Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of the Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill was deferred.

15. *Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill;

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

16. *Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill;

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

17. *New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill;

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

18. *Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill;

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

19. *Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill;

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

20. *Christchurch City Council Empowering Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Christchurch City Council Empowering Bill;

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

21. *Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill;

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

22. *Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill;

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

23. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill, the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill, the Bluff Borough Empowering Bill, the Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill, the Christchurch City Empowering Bill, the Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill, and the Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

24. *New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill*:

Clauses 1 to 5 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 6 struck out by the Local Bills Committee.

Clauses 7 to 13 inclusive read and agreed to.

First and Second Schedules read and agreed to.

Preamble read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

25. *Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill*:

Clauses 1 to 7 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 8 struck out by the Local Bills Committee.

Schedule read and agreed to.

Preamble read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

26. *Christchurch City Empowering Bill*:

Clause 1 read and agreed to.

Clause 2 struck out by the Local Bills Committee.

Clause 2A read and agreed to.

Clause 3 read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

Preamble read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

27. *Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Christchurch Tramway 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 Christchurch Tramway District Act, 1920.”
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.
28. *New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange 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 effect an Exchange of certain Lands between the Corporation of the Borough of New Plymouth and the New Plymouth Harbour Board; to empower the New Plymouth Borough Council to promote Carnivals for the Purpose of raising Funds for the Maintenance and Improvement of Public Reserves and Domains; to authorize the Council to establish Funds for the Promotion of Future Carnivals; and to empower the Council to make By-laws regulating Admission to Carnivals.”
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.
29. *Bluff Borough Empowering Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Bluff Borough 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 Bluff Borough Council to refund certain Rates and to remit Rates accruing in respect of the Bluff Sailors’ Rest.”
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.
30. *Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Nelson Harbour 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 Nelson Harbour Board to borrow the Sum of Thirty Thousand Pounds for the Purpose of Harbour-works and for Buildings and Improvements at Nelson Airport.”
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.
31. *Christchurch City Empowering Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Christchurch City 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 exempting from Liability for Rates Lands in the City of Christchurch used by the Christchurch City Council for housing Aged Persons.”
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

32. *Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling 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 repeal the Papanui Memorial Hall Management Act, 1928, and to provide for the Future Control, Maintenance, Management, and Administration of the Papanui Memorial Hall by the Christchurch City Council."

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

33. *Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff 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 Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Act, 1933."

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

34. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

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

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed next sitting-day.

35. *Transport Law Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Transport Law Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Semple 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 the Legislative Council.

36. *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 (No. 2), 1939, which the Council returns to the House of Representatives as one of its Bills of Supply.

37. *Transport Law Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Transport Law Amendment 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.

Friday, the 1st Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

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

139. Surveys: Annual Report by Surveyor-General on Survey Operations for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-1A.

Ordered, That Paper No. 139 be printed.

2. *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 Property Law Amendment Act, 1939, with amendments in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

3. *Property Law Amendment Bill.*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Property Law Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.

The Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the amendments be agreed to.

A Debate arose thereupon.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed presently.

4. *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. 17.

The Bills intituled—

The Finance Act, 1939, and

The Land and Income Tax (Annual) Act, 1939,

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, 30th August, 1939.

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. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the following classes of the Estimates: Prime Minister's Department; External Affairs Department; Customs Department; Stamp Duties Department; Department of Justice and Prisons; Crown Law Office; Public Trustee's Account; Government Insurance Account; State Fire Insurance Account; Government Accident Insurance Account; Public Service Superannuation Fund Account; Social Security Department; War and other Pensions; Social Security Fund; and Internal Affairs Department.

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 Honourable Mr. Fraser,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £26,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Prime Minister's Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £214,722 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £174,958 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Customs Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £103,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £303,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,449 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Crown Law Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £346,677 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £223,139 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £140,838 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £45,895 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Accident Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,143 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, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,000,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Society Security Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,080,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of War and other Pensions for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,754,625 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Social Security Fund for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. McKeen 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-six minutes after five of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 5th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Member takes the Oath.*—The Honourable Walter Nash, Member for Hutt, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law, took his seat in the House.
2. *Special Business.*—With the leave of the House, the Honourable Mr. Fraser presented certain Papers relating to the international situation and the outbreak of war with Germany.
3. *Papers (International Situation).*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—

140. German-Polish Dispute, Documents in connection with. A.-1.

141. Declaration of War with Germany: Exchange of Telegrams between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and His Majesty's Government in New Zealand. A.-1A.

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

143. Public Safety Conservation Act, 1932, Regulations issued under the, relating to Censorship and Publicity; Price Stabilization; Defence Emergency; Naval Mobilization; Shipping Control; Dependencies; Overseas Passengers; Shipping Requisitioning; Shipping Transfer; Supply Control; Alien Control; Oil Fuel; Aviation; Passports; Detention; Change of Name; Enemy Trading; Motor-vehicles Impressment; Sugar; Wheat and Flour; Factories; Medical Supplies; Foodstuffs; Electricity; Mining and Timber.

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

142. Declaration of War with Germany: Proclamation declaring the Existence of a State of War between His Majesty and the Government of the German Reich.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 140 and 141 be printed.

4. *War with Germany.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser communicated to the House the following telegraphic communications between His Excellency the Governor-General and the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs relating to the outbreak of war with Germany:—

TELEGRAM FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF NEW ZEALAND.

(Received at 11.45 p.m. on the 3rd September, 1939 (N.Z. Standard time).)

Circular telegram C. 49—Defence. War has broken out with Germany.

(Signed) Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

TELEGRAM FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF NEW ZEALAND TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS.

(Despatched at 1.55 a.m. on the 4th September, 1939 (N.Z. Standard time).)

With reference to the intimation just received that a state of war exists between the United Kingdom and Germany, His Majesty's Government in New Zealand desire immediately to associate themselves with His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom in honouring their pledged word. They entirely concur with the action taken, which they regard as inevitably forced upon the British Commonwealth if the cause of justice, freedom, and democracy is to endure in this world. The existence of a state of war with Germany has accordingly been proclaimed in New Zealand, and His Majesty's Government in New Zealand would be grateful if His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom would take any steps that may be necessary to indicate to the German Government that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand associate themselves in this matter with the action taken by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

The New Zealand Government wish to offer to the British Government the fullest assurance of all possible support. They are convinced that the step that has been taken will meet with the approval of the people of this Dominion, and they will give the fullest consideration in due course to any suggestion of the British Government as to the method or methods by which this Dominion can best assist in the common cause.

(Signed) Governor-General of New Zealand.

TELEGRAM FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF NEW ZEALAND.

(Received at 2 p.m. on the 4th September, 1939 (N.Z. Standard time).)

His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have received with the deepest appreciation the generous pledges of support given by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand.

It is of the greatest encouragement in this difficult hour to know that the people of New Zealand share our view that no other course was open than to take up arms for the re-establishment in the world of good faith and the renunciation of force.

We will take appropriate steps to communicate New Zealand's attitude to the German Government. We will let your Government have as soon as possible any suggestions which we can make regarding New Zealand's co-operation.

(Signed) Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs.

5. *Confirmation of Proclamation declaring Existence of State of War with Germany.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente*, That this House approves and confirms the action of the Government in advising His Excellency the Governor-General to proclaim on behalf of the Dominion of New Zealand, as from 9.30 p.m. on the 3rd September, 1939 (New Zealand standard time), the existence of a state of war between His Majesty and the Government of the German Reich.
6. *Proclamation of Emergency.*—Pursuant to subsection three of section two of the Public Safety Conservation Act, 1932, the Honourable Mr. Fraser communicated to the House the fact that owing to the imminent risk of this Dominion being involved in war His Excellency the Governor-General, on the first day of September, 1939, by Proclamation under the above-mentioned Act, declared that a State of Emergency existed throughout New Zealand.
7. *Petition.*—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
8. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Mr. Macfarlane on account of urgent public business.

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

146. Labour and Immigration, Annual Report of the Department of, for the Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-11a.

147. State Iron and Steel Department, Annual Report of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-7.

148. Industries and Commerce, Annual Report of Department of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-44.

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

144. Naval Defence Act, 1913, Amended Regulations under the.

150. Fire Brigades Act, 1926: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [New Plymouth, Otaki, Waipukurau, and Whakatane].

151. Royal Society of New Zealand, Transactions and Proceedings of the. Vol. 68.

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

145. Printing and Stationery Department, Annual Report of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-36.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 145 to 148 inclusive be printed.

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

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, 1939.

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:—

149. Public Securities held in the Dominion or Elsewhere as at 31st March, 1939, together with Accounts of all Securities redeemed or otherwise disposed of during the Year. B.-10.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That Paper No. 149 be printed.

10. *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.

11. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Hoani Meihana, the Public Trustee, Mae Kauika and others, Erina Whakarau and others, Hoani Meihana, and Rangihuna Pire 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 Rangihuna Pire and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

12. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of C. A. Flaunty and W. S. Cooper; 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 W. S. Cooper be referred to the Government for urgent and most favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petition of C. A. Flaunty be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

13. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 3.
14. *Property Law Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the amendments proposed by the Legislative Council in the Property Law Amendment Bill be agreed to;
And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.
And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that this House has agreed to its amendments in the Property Law Amendment Bill.
15. *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. Parry,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £609,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £529,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Armstrong,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £649,855 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forests Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £919,970 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Naval Service for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,594,468 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Army for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £700,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Air Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,186,838 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £309,968 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £298,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,720,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Labour Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £90,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mines Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £337,563 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Martin,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £53,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Valuation Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £323,996 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £260,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,002,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £117,467 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, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Sullivan,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £36,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £370,300 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £170,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,353,488 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £180,821 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Iron and Steel Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £49,773 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Dairy Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £114,928 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Internal Marketing Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

On Motion of the Honourable Mr. Semple,—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £750,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £83,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. McKeen 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.

16. *Adjournment*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until half after two of the clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 12th day of September.

17. *Select Committees (Sittings during Adjournment)*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House from its rising to-day until Tuesday next, Select Committees have leave to sit on any day during that period.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-three minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 12th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Member makes Affirmation*.—The Honourable Frank Langstone, Member for Waimarino, having made and subscribed the declaration required by law, took his seat in the House.

2. *Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill (No. 2)*.—Mr. Doidge presented a Petition from the Arawa Land Company, Limited, praying for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled "An Act to empower the Tauranga Licensing Committee to grant an Accommodation or Publican's License in the Town of Matamata to Kenneth John Rennie, of Matamata, Hotelkeeper, in respect of Premises at Matamata being the property of the Arawa Land Company, Limited."

An endorsement by the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills was read as follows: "Standing Orders not complied with."

The Report by the Examiner on such non-compliance was also read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

On the Petition of the Arawa Land Company, Limited, for a Private Bill to authorize the Tauranga Licensing Committee to grant an Accommodation or Publican's License within the Borough of Matamata to Kenneth John Rennie, of Matamata, I have to report that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in that the Bill has not been advertised in the *New Zealand Gazette*, and that the advertisements in the newspaper circulating in the district which should have been completed by the 28th day of May, 1939, were not completed until the 28th day of August, 1939.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Petition and the Report, together with the Bill, stand referred to the Joint Committee (Private Bills).

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them of this fact.

3. *Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills.*—Mr. McKeen, from the Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills, brought up a Report on the Petition for the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill; and the same was read as follows:—

The Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills, to which stands referred the Petition and Examiner's Report, for the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill, the Standing Orders on which, relative to the publication of notices, have not been strictly complied with, being satisfied that the prescribed notices have been published in the *New Zealand Gazette* in the issues of the 8th, 15th, and 22nd June, 1939, and in the *Otago Daily Times* of the 3rd, 10th, and 17th June, 1939, recommends that the compliance with Standing Orders which have not been complied with be dispensed with, and that the Petitioners be permitted to proceed with the Bill.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House has agreed to the said Report.

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

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

The Legislative Council has agreed to the report of the Joint Committee (Private Bills) on the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act, 1939. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bills intitled the Christchurch City Empowering Act, 1939, the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Act, 1939, the Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Act, 1939, the Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1939, the Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Act, 1939, the Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Act, 1939, and the Bluff Borough Empowering Act, 1939, without amendment.

6. *Government Business on Wednesdays.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That on and after Wednesday, the 13th day of September, and for the remainder of the session, Government business take precedence on Wednesdays.

7. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of illness.

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

153. Land for Settlements Act, 1925: Report on Land-purchase Operations for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-5.

154. Scenery Preservation: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939, together with Statement of Expenditure and Schedule of Lands acquired and reserved during the Year. C.-6.

155. Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks: Annual Report of the Commissioner for Year ended 31st December, 1938. H.-10.

157. Air Navigation Act, 1931, Order in Council under the, making the Air Navigation Regulations 1933, Amendment No. 7.

158. Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, Order in Council under the, making the Post and Telegraph (Staff) Regulations 1925, Amendment No. 13.

159. Land Act, 1924: Land in the North Auckland Land District proposed to be reserved as an Endowment for Primary Education.

160. Stock Act, 1908, Order in Council under the, making the Stock (Agricultural Seeds) Importation Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1.

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

152. Public Works Statement, 1939, by the Hon. R. Semple, Minister of Public Works. D.-1.

156. Board of Native Affairs: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. G.-10.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 152 to 156 inclusive be printed.

9. *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.
10. *Joint Library Committee*.—Mr. Lowry (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 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 1938-39, a copy of which is attached hereto.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
11. *Agricultural and Pastoral Committee*.—Mr. Roberts, from the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee, brought up a Report on the Meat Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
12. *Meat Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Meat Bill be committed next sitting-day.
13. *Lands Committee*.—Mr. Roberts (for Mr. Williams), from the Lands Committee, brought up Reports on the Auckland City Empowering Bill, the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill, and on the Petitions of J. Pagan, J. Moynihan, and F. S. Bowen and others; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
14. *Auckland City Empowering Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Auckland City Empowering Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.
15. *Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.
16. *Public Petitions A to L Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of G. Jenks, G. Kirkbride, S. H. Hollis, and Emeline Townsend; 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 S. H. Hollis be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.
Ordered, That the Report of the Public Petitions A to L Committee on the Petition of G. Kirkbride be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
17. *Statutes Revision Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up Reports on the Summary Penalties Bill, the Legitimation Bill, and the Domestic Proceedings Bill; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
18. *Summary Penalties Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Summary Penalties Bill be committed next sitting-day.
19. *Legitimation Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Legitimation Bill be committed next sitting-day.
20. *Domestic Proceedings Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Domestic Proceedings Bill be committed next sitting-day.
21. *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 Transfer Amendment Act, 1939, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

22. *Land Transfer Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Land Transfer Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the amendments 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.

23. *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. 18.

The Bill intituled, the Imprest Supply Act (No. 2), 1939, 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, 4th September, 1939.

24. *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. 19.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Training and Registration of Nursing Aids, and to amend the Nurses and Midwives Registration Act, 1925," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Training and Registration of Nursing Aids, and to amend the Nurses and Midwives Registration Act, 1925.

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.

25. *Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, according to Order, presented the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

26. *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. 20.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend certain Enactments relating to the Municipal Association of New Zealand, Incorporated," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 consolidate and amend certain Enactments relating to the Municipal Association of New Zealand, Incorporated.

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.

27. *Municipal Association Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Parry, according to Order, presented the Municipal Association Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

28. *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. 21.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Small Farms (Relief of Unemployment) Act, 1932-33," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Small Farms (Relief of Unemployment) Act, 1932-33.

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.

29. *Small Farms Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Langstone, according to Order, presented the Small Farms Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
30. *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.
31. *Adhesive Stamps Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Adhesive Stamps Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
32. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of further Orders of the Day was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day for Local Bills.
33. *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. Cullen (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 forthwith.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read.

Amendment proposed: To add the following words to the clause: "and that further consideration be deferred for three months for the Government to make provision for a vote of ratepayers for or against the further borrowing powers". (*Mr. Jull.*)

The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order as involving an appropriation.

Another amendment proposed: To add the following words to the clause: "and that consideration be deferred for three months". (*Mr. Jull.*)

The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order as being ambiguous.
Clause agreed to.

Clauses 2 and 3 read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

Preamble read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen 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 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.

34. *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. 22.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Making of Emergency Regulations," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 authorize the Making of Emergency Regulations.

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.

35. *Emergency Regulations Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, according to Order, presented the Emergency Regulations Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

36. *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. 23.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Further Provision for Legal Aid to Poor Persons," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Further Provision for Legal Aid to Poor Persons.

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.

37. *Legal Aid Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Legal Aid Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
38. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering 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 forthwith.
 The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 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. McKeen reported that the Committee had made progress in the 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 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.

Wednesday, the 13th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

- Petitions*.—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
- Papers*.—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—
 162. Local Government Loans Board: Review of Operations for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-3.
 The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 163. Public Safety Conservation Act, 1932, Orders in Council under the, making the Export Prohibition Emergency Regulations 1939, the Contraband Emergency Regulations 1939, the Enemy Property Emergency Regulations 1939, the Suspension of Apprenticeship Emergency Regulations 1939, and the Building Emergency Regulations 1939.
 The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—
 161. General Assembly Library: Report of Chief Librarian for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-32.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 161 and 162 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. *Local Bills Committee.*—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill, the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2), and the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3); and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
5. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill.*—The Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.
6. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2).*—*Ordered*, That the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2) be read a second time next sitting-day.
7. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3).*—*Ordered*, That the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3) 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 Te Huriwaka Pene and others, M. Matich, Lou W. Parore and others, Morere Whatitiri and others, Rangiteihinga and others, G. A. Hirschberg, K. Ansley and others, Amelia Poulgrain and others, G. Marriner, and Lou Parore; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Reports of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petitions of Te Huriwaka Pene and others, M. Matich, Lou W. Parore and others, Morere Whatitiri and others, and Rangiteihinga and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of G. A. Hirschberg be referred to the Government for consideration.
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 T. Wilson, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
10. *Public Health Committee.*—Dr. McMillan, from the Public Health Committee, brought up Reports on the New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors Bill, and the Petition of J. A. Beer and another; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Report of the Public Health Committee on the Petition of J. A. Beer and another be referred to the Government for inquiry and consideration.
11. *New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors Bill be committed next sitting-day.
12. *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.
13. *International Labour Conference, 1938: Draft Convention concerning Statistics of Wages and Hours of Work.*—Notice of Motion No. 1 being called on;
On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives of New Zealand, in Parliament assembled, assents to the ratification by New Zealand of Draft Convention No. 63 concerning Statistics

of Wages and Hours of Work adopted by the Twenty-fourth Session of the International Labour Conference (1938), and declares that Part II—Statistics of Average Earnings and of Hours Actually Worked—be excluded from its acceptance of the Draft Convention in accordance with the provision made in Article 2 of the same, and further declares that all areas shall be excluded from the application of the Convention other than the North Island of New Zealand and adjacent islets; the South Island of New Zealand and adjacent islets; Stewart Island and adjacent islets; and the Chatham Islands.

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

14. *Small Farms Amendment Bill*.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that an examination of the Small Farms Amendment Bill showed that it applied to Crown lands, and that, pursuant to the Standing Order, it should stand referred to the Lands Committee after the first reading. The Order of the Day for the second reading would be discharged, and the Bill would stand referred to the Lands Committee.

15. *Emergency Regulations Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Emergency Regulations 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.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 9 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 10 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit subclause (2). (*Honourable Mr. Fraser.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Emergency Regulations 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 authorize the Making of Emergency Regulations."

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

16. *Transport Law Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Transport Law Amendment 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 (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 3 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 4 read and omitted.

Clause 5 read and omitted.

Clause 6 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the words "in the last preceding section and" in lines 37 and 38. (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Another amendment proposed: In subclause (2), paragraph (a), to omit the words "or of bicycles" in line 6. (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Another amendment proposed: To omit paragraph (e) of subclause (2). (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 10 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 11 read.

Amendment proposed: To add the following words to subclause (1): "every traffic district shall comprise the continuous area having no points distant more than fifteen miles from the post-office, or chief post-office, or principal post-office, as the case may be, in the borough of which the enforcement authority is the Council". (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Another amendment proposed: In subclause (5) to omit the words "the sole" in line 33. (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Another amendment proposed: To omit subclause (6), and to substitute the following new subclause:—

"(6A) All fees received under section twenty-three of the principal Act in respect of motor-drivers' licenses by any local authority (not being the enforcement authority) while its district is included in any traffic district shall be paid by that local authority to the enforcement authority, subject to the deduction of one shilling in respect of each license, and shall form part of the general funds of the enforcement authority." (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 12 read.

Amendments proposed: To insert the words "or county" after the word "borough" where it occurs in lines 9, 10, and 13. (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 13 read and agreed to.

Clause 14 read and omitted.

Clause 15 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the words "(being registered as an engineer under the Engineers Registration Act, 1924)" in lines 22 and 23. (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 16 read.

Amendments proposed: To omit paragraphs (b) and (c); to add the following new paragraph:—

"(d) Providing for the exemption, either wholly or partially, and either unconditionally or upon or subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by or in accordance with the regulations, of persons visiting New Zealand from overseas, or of their motor-vehicles, or of any classes of such persons or motor-vehicles, from any of the requirements of the principal Act or of regulations made under that Act." (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 17 and 18 read and agreed to.

Clause 19 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit subclause (2). (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 20 read.

Amendments proposed: In paragraph (b) of subclause (2) to omit the words "for him" in line 9; to omit subclause (3). (*Honourable Mr. Semple.*)

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 21 to 24 inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Transport Law 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 Law relating to Motor-vehicles and Road Transport Services."

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

17. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day down to but not including Order of the Day No. 13 was postponed in order to consider Order of the Day No. 13.

18. *Committee of Supply (Public Works Estimates).*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply;

The Honourable Mr. Semple 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.)

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £210,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Works, Departmental, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,230,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway Construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,300,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,250,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £900,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Education Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £37,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,400,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Roads, &c., for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £600,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Telegraph Extension for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £330,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lands Improvement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £285,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Irrigation, Water-supply, and Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Swamp Land Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £695,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Settlement of Unemployed Workers for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £675,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Native Land Settlement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,200,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Defence for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,840,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Electric Supply Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,267,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Main Highways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be considered next sitting-day.

Mr. McKeen 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-six minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 14th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Suspension of Standing Orders: Private Bills.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones, *Ordered*, That the Standing Orders on Private Bills be so far suspended as to allow the Private Bill intituled the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act, 1939, to be proceeded with for its remaining stages and passed in accordance with the procedure prescribed for Public Bills instead of that prescribed for Private Bills, provided that such suspension shall not excuse the payment of the fees remaining to be paid pursuant to the Standing Orders on Private Bills or any further expenses of printing ordinarily payable by the promoters of a Private Bill.
Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them of the suspension of the said Standing Orders.
2. *Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill.*—The House proceeded to the consideration of the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill.
On motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones, *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a first time.
The Bill was read a first time accordingly, and ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day.
3. *Petitions.*—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
4. *Lands Committee.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That the name of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin be discharged from the Lands Committee and that of the mover substituted therefor.
5. *Papers.*—The following Papers were presented by Command of His Excellency:—
 164. Labour, Employment Division of the Department of: Report upon Activities and Proceedings under the Employment Promotion Act, 1936, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-11a.
 165. Public Domains and National Parks of New Zealand: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. C.-10.The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 166. Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928: Notice of Intention to issue an Order in Council revoking the Reservation over the Puketitiri Domain, Hawke's Bay Land District.*Ordered*, That Papers Nos. 164 and 165 be printed.
6. *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.
7. *Native Affairs Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Perene H. Tukariri and others, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Perene H. Tukariri and others be referred to the Government for favourable 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 A. Foster, E. D. C. Badham and others, G. Harrop and others, and R. A. Kyle 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 R. A. Kyle and others be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.
9. *Lands Committee*.—Mr. Williams, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
10. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.
11. *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. 24.

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKean reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKean 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. *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. 25.

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the Auckland City Empowering Bill and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKean reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

13. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day for Local Bills.
14. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2)*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2);
On motion of Mr. Roy, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2) be discharged and that the Bill be withdrawn.
15. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3)*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3);
On motion of Mr. Roy, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3) be discharged and that the Bill be withdrawn.
16. *Postponement of Order of the Day (Local Bills)*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of the Day for Local Bills No. 3 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day for Local Bills Nos. 4 and 5.
17. *Auckland City Empowering Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Auckland City Empowering Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
18. *Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
19. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee on the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.
20. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Auckland City Empowering Bill, the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill, and the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

21. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill*:
Clause 1 again read.
To report progress and move for leave to sit again.

22. *Auckland City Empowering Bill*.—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Auckland City 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 Auckland City Council to refund or remit Drainage and Water Rates or Part thereof, in respect of certain Properties in the City of Auckland; to empower the said Council to transfer certain Land adjoining the Site of the Auckland University College to the College Council; and to empower the said Council to expend Part of the Bequest made to it as Controlling Body of the Auckland Art Gallery under the Will of the late Alexander Richardson Dickey Watson towards the Cost of the Provision of a Group of Statuary in Albert Park, Auckland."

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

23. *Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Otago Harbour 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 vest Further Powers in the Otago Harbour Board."

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

24. *Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had made progress in the Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering 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.

25. *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. 26.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Taieri River Improvement Act, 1920," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 12th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Taieri River Improvement Act, 1920.

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.

26. *Taieri River Improvement Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Taieri River Improvement Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

27. *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. 27.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to abolish the Wellington City and Suburban Highways Board of Control, to repeal certain Enactments making Special Provision for the Construction and Maintenance of the Hutt Road and certain other Roads and Streets situated in or near to the City of Wellington, and to make Provision for Matters incidental thereto," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 14th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 abolish the Wellington City and Suburban Highways Board of Control, to repeal certain Enactments making Special Provision for the Construction and Maintenance of the Hutt Road and certain other Roads and Streets situated in or near to the City of Wellington, and to make Provision for Matters incidental thereto.

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

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

28. *Hutt Road Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Semple, according to Order, presented the Hutt Road Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

29. *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. 28.

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, 14th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

30. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Statutes Amendment Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

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.

31. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 3.

32. *Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Nurses and Midwives Registration 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.

33. *Adhesive Stamps Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Adhesive Stamps Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

34. *Hire-purchase Agreements Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Hire-purchase Agreements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

35. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Adhesive Stamps Bill, and the Hire-purchase Agreements Bill.

(In the Committee.)

36. *Hire-purchase Agreements Bill:*

The amendments made by the Statutes Revision Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 10 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 10a read and agreed to.

Clauses 11 and 12 read and agreed to.

Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

37. *Adhesive Stamps Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Adhesive Stamps 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 Creation, Custody, and Disposition of Adhesive Stamps and for the Application of Revenues derived therefrom, and for the Discontinuance of the Use of Dies."

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

38. *Hire-purchase Agreements Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Hire-purchase Agreements 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 relating to Hire-purchase Agreements."

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

39. *Meat Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Meat Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Meat Bill be now committed.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Debate interrupted by the reading of Messages from the Legislative Council.

40. *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 Emergency Regulations Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Transport Law Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the following Resolution: That the Legislative Council of New Zealand, in Parliament assembled, assents to the ratification by New Zealand of the Draft Convention No. 63 concerning Statistics of Wages and Hours of Work adopted by the Twenty-fourth Session of the International Labour Conference (1938), and declares that Part II—Statistics of Average Earnings and of Hours Actually Worked—be excluded from its acceptance of the Draft Convention in accordance with the Provision made in Article 2 of the same, and further declares that all areas shall be excluded from the application of the Convention other than the North Island of New Zealand and adjacent islets; the South Island of New Zealand and adjacent islets; Stewart Island and adjacent islets; and the Chatham Islands.

41. *Meat Bill*.—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Meat Bill be committed.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

42. *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. 29.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend certain Enactments relating to the Payment of Wages due to Workers and of Moneys due to Contractors," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 14th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 consolidate and amend certain Enactments relating to the Payment of Wages due to Workers and of Moneys due to Contractors.

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.

43. *Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

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.

44. *Meat Bill*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Meat Bill.

(In the Committee.)

The amendments made by the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 32 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 33 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit in subclause (1) the words "who, being engaged in business of producing stock for export, has raised or fattened such stock" in lines 8 and 9. (*Mr. Polson.*)

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 34 to 73 inclusive read and agreed to.

First, Second, and Third Schedules read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKean reported that the Committee had gone through the Meat 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 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."

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

45. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 8.

46. *Legal Aid Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Legal Aid 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.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-nine minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Friday, the 15th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *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. 30.

The Bills intituled—

The Property Law Amendment Act, 1939,

The Bluff Borough Empowering Act, 1939,

The Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Act, 1939,

The Christchurch City Empowering Act, 1939,

The Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Act, 1939,

The Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1939,

The New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Act, 1939, and

The Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Act, 1939,

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 September, 1939.

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. 31.

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 forty, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 14th September, 1939.

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

3. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for one day be granted to Dr. McMillan on account of illness in his family.
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. *Lands Committee*.—Mr. Williams, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Small Farms Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
6. *Small Farms Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Small Farms Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.
7. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive.
8. *Summary Penalties Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Summary Penalties Bill;
Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason 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.
9. *Legitimation Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Legitimation Bill;
Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason 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.
10. *Domestic Proceedings Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Domestic Proceedings Bill;
Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be committed forthwith.
And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

11. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Summary Penalties Bill, the Legitimation Bill, and the Domestic Proceedings Bill.

(In the Committee.)

12. *Legitimation Bill:*

The amendments made by the Statutes Revision Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 9 inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

13. *Domestic Proceedings Bill:*

The amendments made by the Statutes Revision Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 10 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 11 struck out by the Statutes Revision Committee.

Clause 11A read and agreed to.

Clauses 12 and 13 read and agreed to.

Clause 13A read and agreed to.

Clauses 14 to 17 inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

14. *Summary Penalties Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Summary Penalties 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 Justices of the Peace Act, 1927, in relation to the Penalties imposed on Summary Conviction or by Orders of Justices."

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

15. *Legitimation Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Legitimation 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 consolidate and amend certain Enactments of the General Assembly relating to the Legitimation of Children."

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

16. *Domestic Proceedings Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Domestic Proceedings 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 Destitute Persons Act, 1910, for the Purpose of making Better Provision in relation to Domestic Proceedings and other Matters."

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

17. *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. 32.

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, 15th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

18. *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.

19. *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. 33.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Act, 1921-22," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 15th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Act, 1921-22.

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.

20. *Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.
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.
21. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 6 and 7.
22. *Municipal Association Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Municipal Association Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
23. *Taieri River Improvement Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Taieri River Improvement Amendment Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.
24. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Municipal Association Bill and the Taieri River Improvement Amendment Bill.
25. *Municipal Association Bill*.—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Municipal Association 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 consolidate and amend certain Enactments relating to the Municipal Association of New Zealand, Incorporated."
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.
26. *Taieri River Improvement Amendment Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Taieri 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 Taieri River Improvement Act, 1920."
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.
And then the hour of forty-three minutes after twelve of the clock p.m. having arrived, Mr. Speaker (with the leave of the House) left the Chair.
And the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. having arrived, the House resumed.

27. *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 £9,600 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £778 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioner's Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum (by way of credit) not exceeding £2,158 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,538 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,443 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Labour for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,220 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,259 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £21,400 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £15,660 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £30,454 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,429 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,470 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,433 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,978 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum (by way of credit) not exceeding £45,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £40,482 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway-construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £38,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electric Supply Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £27,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £250,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Main Highways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Social Security Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £145 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forests Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £65,396 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £34,048 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £20,679 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Internal Marketing Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £44,855 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Iron and Steel Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,099,683 0s. 10d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Unauthorized Expenditure Account for the Year 1938-39: For Services not provided for, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,602,572 14s. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of surplus credits-in-aid applied in terms of section 51, subsection (3), of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £335,332 0s. 3d. 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, 1940.

To report the Resolutions and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee of Supply had come to certain Resolutions, 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.

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 £109,995 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Legislative Departments for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £26,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Prime Minister's Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £48,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Treasury Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £174,958 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Customs Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £158,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £103,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £42,979 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Audit Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioner's Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £609,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £214,722 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £298,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £204,112 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Marine Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,720,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Labour for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £529,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £53,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Valuation Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electoral Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £36,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £303,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,449 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Crown Law Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £625,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £919,970 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Naval Service for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,594,468 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Army for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £700,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Air Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £750,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £323,996 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,002,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £370,300 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £170,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £90,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mines Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £83,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,537,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £409,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,470,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,080,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of War and Other Pensions for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,000,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Social Security for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £117,467 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £260,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,754,625 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Social Security Fund for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £337,563 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £649,855 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forests Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £8,353,488 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,186,838 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £346,677 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £223,139 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,143 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £140,838 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £45,895 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Government Accident Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £49,773 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Dairy Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £114,928 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Internal Marketing Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £309,968 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £180,821 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Iron and Steel Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £210,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Works, Departmental, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,230,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway-construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,300,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,250,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Public Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £900,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Education Buildings for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £37,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,400,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £600,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Telegraph Extension for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £330,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lands Improvement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £285,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Irrigation, Water-supply, and Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Swamp Land Drainage for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £695,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Settlement of Unemployed Workers for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £675,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Native Land Settlement for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,200,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Defence for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,840,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electric Supply Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,267,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Main Highways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,600 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £778 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Stamp Duties Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Service Commissioner's Office for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum (by way of credit) not exceeding £2,158 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Internal Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,538 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of External Affairs for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Printing and Stationery Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,443 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Labour for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,220 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Census and Statistics Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,259 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Police Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £21,400 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £15,660 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £30,454 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Agriculture for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,429 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £4,470 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,433 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Transport Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £9,978 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Health for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum (by way of credit) not exceeding £45,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Mental Hospitals Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £40,482 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Department of Education for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £7,000 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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Railway-construction for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £5,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of Lighthouses and Harbour-works for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Development of Tourist Resorts for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

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, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £38,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Electric Supply Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £27,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Land for Settlements Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £250,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Main Highways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Social Security Department for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Coal-mines Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £145 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Forests Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £65,396 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Working Railways Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £34,048 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Post Office Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £20,679 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Public Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Native Trustee's Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the State Fire Insurance Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Internal Marketing Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £2,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Broadcasting Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £44,855 be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Iron and Steel Industry Account for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,099,683 0s. 10d. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of the Unauthorized Expenditure Account for the Year 1938-39: For Services not provided for, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £1,602,572 14s. be granted to His Majesty to defray the costs and charges of surplus credits-in-aid applied in terms of section 51, subsection (3), of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1940.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £335,332 0s. 3d. 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, 1940.

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.

28. *Committee of Ways and Means*.—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Ways and Means;

The Honourable Mr. Fraser 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 forty, the following sums may be issued and applied: Out of the Consolidated Fund, twenty-three million and thirty-six thousand two hundred and fifty-two pounds, and in addition the sum of two million six hundred and ten thousand eight hundred and ninety pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the Public Works Fund, fifteen million one hundred and eighty-nine thousand one hundred pounds, and in addition the sum of two million five hundred and eighteen thousand four hundred and eight pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the separate accounts, sixteen million nine hundred and sixty-nine thousand eight hundred and seventy-two pounds, and in addition the sum of two million nine hundred and seventeen thousand five hundred and sixty-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, five million seven hundred and seventy-seven thousand eight hundred and two pounds, and in addition the sum of three hundred and fifty-one thousand one hundred and twenty-four pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid. (*Honourable Mr. Nash.*)

To report the Resolution and move for leave to sit again.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, 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.

Ordered, That the Resolution be considered forthwith.

The same was accordingly read as follows:—

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 forty, the following sums may be issued and applied: Out of the Consolidated Fund, twenty-three million and thirty-six thousand two hundred and fifty-two pounds, and in addition the sum of two million six hundred and ten thousand eight hundred and ninety pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the Public Works Fund, fifteen million one hundred and eighty-nine thousand one hundred pounds, and in addition the sum of two million five hundred and eighteen thousand four hundred and eight pounds as credits-in-aid, but not exceeding the amount actually received as credits-in-aid; out of the separate accounts, sixteen million nine hundred and sixty-nine thousand eight hundred and seventy-two pounds, and in addition the sum of two million nine hundred and seventeen thousand five hundred and sixty-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, five million seven hundred and seventy-seven thousand eight hundred and two pounds, and in addition the sum of three hundred and fifty-one thousand one hundred and twenty-four 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 Honourable Mr. Fraser and the Honourable Mr. Nash do prepare and bring in a Bill to give effect to the said Resolution.

29. *Appropriation Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Fraser 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 forty; and the same was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

30. *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 Adhesive Stamps Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bill intituled the Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment.

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

Tuesday, the 19th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committees to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That the Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
On motion of Mr. Hodgens, *Ordered*, That the Industries and Commerce Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
On motion of Mr. Schramm, *Ordered*, That the Statutes Revision 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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Coleman on account of illness in his family.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of a bereavement in his family.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to Mr. Tirikatene on account of illness in his family.
4. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 167. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 31st December, 1938 [Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited; Norwich Union Life Insurance Society]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [F.A.M.E. Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 31st May, 1939 [New Zealand Insurance Company]; for Year ended 30th June, 1939 [Standard Insurance Company, Limited].
 168. Fire Brigades Act, 1926; Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Fire Boards: For Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Petone]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Dunedin Metropolitan, Gisborne, and Wellington].
 169. East Coast Native Trust Lands (Mangatu Numbers 1, 3, and 4 Blocks): Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts for Year ended 30th June, 1939.
 170. East Coast Native Trust Lands: Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts for Year ended 30th June, 1939.*Ordered*, That Papers Nos. 169 and 170 be printed.
Papers Nos. 169 and 170 stand 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 Orders of the Day.
6. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of J. Stephens and others; and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
7. *Public Health Committee.*—Mr. Anderton (for Dr. McMillan), from the Public Health Committee, brought up a Report on the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

8. *Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill*.—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill be committed presently.
9. *Lands Committee*.—Mr. Williams, 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.
10. *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.
11. *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. 34.

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, 19th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

12. *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 and ordered to be printed.

With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time presently.

13. *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. 35.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Society known as the New Zealand Library Association," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 19th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 incorporate the Society known as the New Zealand Library Association.

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. *New Zealand Library Association Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Fraser, according to Order, presented the New Zealand Library Association Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

With the leave of the House the Bill was ordered to be read a second time presently.

15. *Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill;

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

16. *Small Farms Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Small Farms Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Langstone 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.

17. *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. 36.

The Governor-General, on behalf of His Majesty, recommends the House of Representatives to make provision in accordance with the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill and the amendments proposed thereto by the Local Bills Committee in so far as such Bill and the amendments thereto affect the rights of the Crown.

Government House,

Wellington, 19th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

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. 37.

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.

Government House,

Wellington, 19th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

19. *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.

20. *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. 38.

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, 19th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

21. *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.

22. *Small Farms Amendment Bill*.—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Small Farms Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Grigg, *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-six minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 20th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill (No. 2)*.—Mr. McKeen, from the Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills, brought up a Report on the Petition for the Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill (No. 2), and the same was read as follows:—

The Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills, to which was referred the Petition and Examiner's Report, for the Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill (No. 2), the Standing Orders on which, relative to the publication of notices, have not been complied with, has the honour to report that, having considered the Report of the Examiner regarding non-compliance with the Standing Orders, the Committee recommends that the promoters be not allowed to proceed with the Bill.

On motion of Mr. McKeen, *Ordered*, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that this House has agreed to the said Report.

2. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for five days be granted to Mr. Paikea on account of a bereavement.

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

171. Annual Sheep Returns for Year ended 30th April, 1939.

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

172. Naval Defence Act, 1913, Order in Council under the, amending Regulations.

173. Counties Act, 1920—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned County Councils: For Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Castlepoint, Manawatu, Opotiki, Otamatea, Rodney, Vincent, Waipara, and Westland]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Akitio, Bruce, Dannevirke,

Egmont, Hawera, Heathcote, Hutt, Inglewood, Kaitieke, Malvern, Matamata, Mount Herbert, Otamatea, Paparua, Raglan, Rangiora, Tawera, Tuapeka, Waikohu, Waimate, Waimea, Waipara, and Weber].

174. Municipal Corporations Act, 1920—Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Municipal Corporations: For Year ended 31st March, 1936 [Brunner]; for Year ended 31st March, 1938 [Alexandra, Arrowtown, Balclutha, Eketahuna, Hokitika, Kaitangata, Kumara, Milton, Naseby, and Otaki]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Bluff, Devonport, Eketahuna, Ellerslie, Hokitika, Inglewood, Northcote, Ohakune, Otaki, Onehunga, Palmerston, Pukekohe, Raetihi, Rangiora, Richmond, Shannon, Taihape, Te Awamutu, and Waihi].

Ordered, That Paper No. 171 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. *Local Bills Committee*.—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Waikato Airport Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
6. *Waikato Airport Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Waikato Airport Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.
7. *Education Committee*.—The Reverend Mr. Carr, from the Education Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Alma B. Davies, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
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 S. J. Smith, R. Milne, J. Stevenson, H. L. Morgan, M. M. Livingston and others, I. Menken and others, and Sir Cyril R. J. Ward, Bart., and others, 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 J. Stevenson 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 R. Milne be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
11. *Statutes Revision Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
12. *Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.

13. *Native Purposes Bill*.—Mr. Speaker reported that his attention had been drawn to provisions of the Native Purposes Bill affecting Crown lands, and informed the House that under the Standing Orders such a Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee after the first reading. Further proceedings must therefore be stopped and the previous order for committal discharged. The Bill will be referred to the Lands Committee as required by the Standing Orders, but in view of the proceedings already taken on the Bill it would on return from the Committee be set down for committal.
14. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House*.—On motion of Mr. Cullen (for Mr. Williams) with the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Lands Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
15. *Hutt Road Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Hutt Road Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
16. *New Zealand Library Association Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the New Zealand Library Association Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
17. *Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.
18. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Hutt Road Bill, the New Zealand Library Association Bill, and the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill.
19. *Hutt Road Bill*.—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Hutt Road 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 abolish the Wellington City and Suburban Highways Board of Control, to repeal certain Enactments making Special Provision for the Construction and Maintenance of the Hutt Road and certain other Roads and Streets situated in or near to the City of Wellington, 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.
20. *New Zealand Library Association Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the New Zealand Library Association 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 incorporate the Society known as the New Zealand Library Association."
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

21. *Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property 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 Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Act, 1906, and the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act, 1930."

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

22. *Appropriation Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Appropriation Bill;

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

A Debate arose thereupon.

With the leave of the House, the Debate was interrupted in order to again consider Order of Business No. 9.

23. *Lands Committee*.—Mr. Cullen (for Mr. Williams), from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Native Purposes Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

24. *Native Purposes Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Native Purposes Bill be committed next sitting-day.

25. *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. 39.

The Bills intituled—

The Land Transfer Amendment Act, 1939, and

The Emergency Regulations Act, 1939,

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, 19th September, 1939.

26. *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 Municipal Association Act, 1939, and the Taieri River Improvement Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Summary Penalties Act, 1939, the Domestic Proceedings Act, 1939, the Hire-purchase Agreements Act, 1939, and the Legitimation Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has agreed to the Report of the Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills on the Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill (No. 2).

27. *Appropriation Bill*.—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Appropriation 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 forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. McKeen 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 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 forty, 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.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty-six minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 21st Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for the remainder of the session be granted to Mr. Allen to enable him to carry out his military duties.
2. *Papers*.—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 175. Public Debt, Repayment of the: Report and Accounts of the Public Debt Commission for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-2.
 176. Public Accounts: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of various Government Departments for Year ended 31st March, 1939. B.-1 [Pt. IV].

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 175 and 176 be printed.
3. *Papers, Consideration of*.—Papers for consideration being called on;

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. 9, 15, 21 to 23 inclusive, 25, 28 to 31 inclusive, 35, 38, 39, 45 to 48 inclusive, 50, 52, 54, 55, 59, 60, 63, 64, 66, 71 to 74 inclusive, 76, 77, 79, 80, 82 to 84 inclusive, 86, 89, 91, 92, 95, 100, 103, 104, 108, 111 to 113 inclusive, 116, 117, 122 to 129 inclusive, 135, 137, 139, 149 to 151 inclusive, 154, 155, 157, 158, 161, 162, 165, 167, 168, and 172 to 174 inclusive.
4. *Native Affairs Committee*.—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of Morere Whatitiri and others, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on the Petition of Morere Whatitiri and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
5. *Statutes Revision Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

6. *Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill be committed next sitting-day.
7. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of T. Gray, A. G. Hall, and Mary A. Kilbride and another; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
8. *Labour Bills Committee.*—Mr. Chapman, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of G. B. Lyon, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
9. *Industries and Commerce Committee.*—Mr. Hodgens, from the Industries and Commerce Committee, brought up a Report on the Pharmacy Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
10. *Pharmacy Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Pharmacy Bill be committed next sitting-day.
11. *Small Farms Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Small Farms Amendment Bill be now read a second time;
And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.
On motion of Mr. Dickie, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed presently.
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 Meat Act, 1939, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.
13. *Meat Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Meat Bill be considered next sitting-day.
14. *Postponement of Orders of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive was postponed in order to consider Orders of the Day for Local Bills.
15. *Suspension of Standing Order (Local Bills).*—On motion of Mr. Barrell, *Ordered*, That the Standing Orders relating to Local Bills be suspended so far as to allow the Waikato Airport Bill to proceed and pass, notwithstanding that Standing Order 364 has not been fully complied with, inasmuch as a plan of the land described in the First Schedule thereto did not accompany the Bill when it was deposited for public inspection in the Magistrate's Court and in the office of the local authority which promoted it pursuant to that Standing Order.
16. *Waikato Airport Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Waikato Airport Bill;
The Bill was read a second time accordingly, and (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
17. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Lower Clutha River Improvement 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 Waikato Airport Bill and the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

19. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill:*

Clause 1 read and agreed to.
Clauses 2 and 3 struck out by the Local Bills Committee.
Clause 3A read and agreed to.
Clause 4 struck out by the Local Bills Committee.
Clause 4A read and agreed to.
Clauses 5 to 7 inclusive read and agreed to.
Schedule read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

20. *Waikato Airport Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Waikato 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 Waikato, for the Incorporation and Powers of an Airport Board in connection therewith, for the conferring of Powers on the Hamilton Borough Council, the Te Awamutu Borough Council, the Cambridge Borough Council, the Huntly Borough Council, the Morrinsville Borough Council, the Ngaruawahia Borough Council, the Waipa County Council, the Waikato County Council, and the Raglan County Council with respect thereto, and for Regulating the Rights, Powers, and Privileges of the said Councils with respect thereto."

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

21. *Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Lower Clutha 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 Lower Clutha River Improvement Act, 1938."

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

22. *Small Farms Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Small Farms 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 forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 4 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 5 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit subclause (4). (*Mr. Broadfoot.*)

And the Question being put, That the subclause stand part of the clause, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 36.

Armstrong	Lee	Roberts
Barclay	Lowry	Robertson
Barrell	Macfarlane	Schramm
Boswell	McMillan	Skinner
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Cullen	Meachen	Thorn
Denham	Moncur	Webb
Fraser	Munro	Williams.
Frost	Neilson	
Hodgens	Nordmeyer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Hultquist	Osborne	O'Brien
Jones	Parry	Richards.
Langstone	Petrie	

NOES, 22.

Atmore	Gordon	Massey
Bodkin	Grigg	Polson
Burnett	Hamilton	Ransom
Cobbe	Hargest	Roy.
Dickie	Holland	
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Forbes	Kidd	Broadfoot
Goosman	Macdonald	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another amendment proposed: To omit subclause (10). (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton.*)

And the Question being put, That the subclause stand part of the clause, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 37.

Armstrong	Langstone	Petrie
Barclay	Lee	Roberts
Barrell	Lowry	Robertson
Boswell	Macfarlane	Schramm
Carr	McMillan	Skinner
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Cullen	Meachen	Thorn
Denham	Moncur	Webb
Fraser	Munro	Williams.
Frost	Neilson	
Hodgens	Nordmeyer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Hultquist	Osborne	O'Brien
Jones	Parry	Richards.

NOES, 22.

Atmore	Gordon	Massey
Bodkin	Grigg	Polson
Burnett	Hamilton	Ransom
Cobbe	Hargest	Roy.
Dickie	Holland	
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Forbes	Kidd	Broadfoot
Goosman	Macdonald	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 6 read and agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Small Farms 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 Small Farms (Relief of Unemployment) Act, 1932-33."

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

23. *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 Otago Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1939, and the Auckland City Empowering Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Hutt Road Act, 1939, and the New Zealand Library Association Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Appropriation Act, 1939, which the Council returns to the House of Representatives as one of its Bills of Supply.

24. *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 (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.

25. *Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill;

The Honourable Mr. Fraser moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.

26. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill and the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill.

27. *Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Bill*.—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen 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.

28. *Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Nurses and Midwives 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 provide for the Training and Registration of Nursing Aids, and to amend the Nurses and Midwives Registration Act, 1925."

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

29. *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. 40.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of the following amendments in the 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:—

To insert, after clause 6, the following new clauses:—

"6a. Whereas the Great Barrier Island County Council (hereinafter called the Council) has in its Wharf Account accumulated revenues received on account of the various wharves in the county owned and controlled by the Council, and such revenues are set aside to defray the costs of maintenance of the said wharves and of their renewal when found necessary: And whereas the Council finds it necessary to construct a new wharf at Okupu, Blind Bay, in the said county and desires authority to use an amount of two hundred pounds of the funds in the Wharf Account to assist in defraying the cost of construction of such wharf: And whereas it is expedient that such authority be granted: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

"The Council is hereby authorized and empowered to expend a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds from the said Wharf Account towards the cost of construction of the wharf at Okupu, Blind Bay, in the Great Barrier Island County.

"6b. Whereas the Hutt County Council (hereinafter called the Council) has agreed to join with the Crown in the acquisition of the land hereinafter described, portion of which is to be set aside under the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, and the remainder vested in the Council: And whereas out of the total purchase-price of two thousand pounds the Council has agreed to contribute the sum of twelve hundred and fifty pounds provided payment of that amount may be made by annual instalments: And whereas the vendors of the said land have agreed that the Council's share of the purchase-price may be paid by equal annual instalments without interest over a period of twelve years: And whereas it is desirable that the Council should be authorized to pay the said sum of twelve hundred and fifty pounds by annual instalments as aforesaid: And whereas it is also desirable that provision should be made as hereinafter appearing for the vesting of portion of the said land in the Council: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

"(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act or rule of law, the Council is hereby authorized to pay out of the funds of the Wainuiomata Riding the sum of twelve hundred and fifty pounds as a contribution towards the acquisition by the Crown of the land hereinafter described, and to make such payment by equal annual instalments without interest over a period not exceeding twelve years.

"(2) On the transfer of the said land to His Majesty the King the Governor-General may, if he is satisfied that suitable arrangements have been made between the Council and the vendors with respect to the payment by annual instalments of its contribution as aforesaid, by Order in Council vest such portion or portions of the said land as he may think fit in the Council, and all land so vested may be administered and dealt with by the Council in all respects as if it had been acquired by the Council under the provisions of the Counties Act, 1920.

“(3) The land to which this section relates is described as follows:—

“All those parcels of land in the Wellington Land District containing an area of approximately two hundred and sixty-five acres, being parts of Sections 20, 21, 22, and 23, Harbour District, and being part of the land comprised in certificates of title, Volume 435, folio 232, and Volume 439, folio 129, Wellington Registry.”

To add the following new clause:—

“60. Whereas it was proposed to hold in December, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and January, nineteen hundred and forty, a meeting (known as the New Zealand Centennial Boy Scouts' Jamboree and hereinafter referred to as the jamboree) of Boy Scouts, at Heretaunga, near Wellington: And whereas preparations were made and have until recently been in train for the jamboree: And whereas certain moneys have been paid to certain persons responsible for the arrangements for the jamboree in respect of Boy Scouts who proposed to attend the jamboree: And whereas on account of conditions of war now obtaining it has been found impossible to proceed with the jamboree, and the Boy Scouts concerned have been notified accordingly: And whereas on the first day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, a society was incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act, 1908, known as the New Zealand (1940) Jamboree Team (Incorporated), (hereinafter called the society): And whereas immediately after incorporation of the society the persons responsible for the arrangements for the jamboree paid to the society all moneys then in their hands representing, *inter alia*, the balance of sums received in respect of Boy Scouts as above mentioned: And whereas it is desired to provide for the refund (subject as hereinafter provided) to such Boy Scouts of moneys received in respect of such Boy Scouts as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

“(1) Subject to the deduction therefrom of such sums as shall be necessary to defray the costs and liabilities incurred in connection with the jamboree by the society or by the persons responsible for the arrangements in connection with the said jamboree, and including the costs of winding up the society and distribution of the said moneys as hereinafter provided, all such moneys so received, whether by the society or by the persons responsible for the arrangements for the jamboree, in respect of Boy Scouts as above mentioned shall be paid to the respective authorities for the time being (whether incorporated or unincorporated) of the Boy Scouts in each district from which any moneys shall have been received as aforesaid in respect of any Boy Scout or Boy Scouts who proposed to attend the jamboree.

“(2) Such moneys shall be expressed to be paid to the respective Boy Scout authorities for distribution by those authorities to the Boy Scouts in respect of whom such moneys were paid.

“(3) Such payments shall be made by the society or its nominee, and when effected shall operate as a complete discharge and indemnity to or for the society and its members and to or for all persons who have been concerned in the preparation and control of the said jamboree.”

Government House,

Wellington, 21st September, 1939.

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. McKean reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 confer certain Powers on certain Public Bodies and to validate certain Transactions.

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

30. *Local Legislation Bill*.—The amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Local Legislation Bill stand referred to the Local Bills Committee.

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.

Friday, the 22nd Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House*.—On motion of Mr. Boswell (for Mr. Williams), *Ordered*, That the Lands Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
2. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for the remainder of the session be granted to Mr. Lyon to enable him to carry out his military duties.
3. *Papers*.—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 178. Native Purposes Act, 1937: Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 66 of 1936, of W. Baker and others; Petition No. 262 of 1936, of Kaperiera Te Pohe and others; and Petition No. 301 of 1936, of Matewai Utiera and others, *re* Tarawera Block.
 179. Native Purposes Act, 1938: Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 177 of 1937, of Rangirumaki Pereniki, of Paeroa, praying for an inquiry in respect of the ownership of Muraoteahi Block.

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

 177. Stores Control Board, Annual Report of the, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. H.-4.

Ordered, That Papers Nos. 177 to 179 inclusive be printed.

Papers Nos. 178 and 179 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 Bills Committee*.—Mr. Munro, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up Reports on the Local Legislation Bill and the subsequent amendments thereto proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
6. *Local Legislation Bill*.—The Local Legislation Bill stands referred to the Lands Committee.

7. *Amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Local Legislation Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Local Legislation Bill be referred to the Committee on the Bill.
8. *Meat Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Meat Bill;
On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, *Ordered*, That the amendments 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.
9. *Postponement of Order of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 was postponed until after consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive.
10. *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 (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed presently.
11. *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 committed forthwith.
And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.
12. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill and the Native Purposes Bill.
- (In the Committee.)
13. *Native Purposes Bill:*
The amendments made by the Native Affairs Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.
Clauses 1 to 16 inclusive read and agreed to.
Clause 16a read and agreed to.
Clause 17 read and agreed to.
Schedule read and agreed to.
To report the Bill with amendment.
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14. *Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen 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.

15. *Native Purposes Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Native Purposes 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 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.
16. *Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens' Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill; Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason 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.
17. *Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill;
Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason 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.
18. *Order of Business*.—With the leave of the House Order of Business No. 9 was again taken.
19. *Lands Committee*.—Mr. Williams, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Report on the Local Legislation Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
20. *Local Legislation Bill*.—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That the Local Legislation Bill be read a second time presently.
21. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill and the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill.
22. *Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill*.—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks 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 Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Act, 1921-22."
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.
23. *Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens' Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens 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 consolidate and amend certain Enactments relating to the Payment of Wages due to Workers and of Moneys due to Contractors."
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

24. *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. 41.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Financing the Erection of Dwellings for Farmers and Farm Workers," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 22nd September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Financing the Erection of Dwellings for Farmers and Farm Workers.

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.

25. *Rural Housing Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Armstrong, according to Order, presented the Rural Housing Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.

26. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House*.—On motion of Mr. Roberts, *Ordered*, That the Agricultural and Pastoral Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

27. *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. 42.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Better Provision for the Registration and Control of Pharmaceutical Chemists," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 22nd September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Registration and Control of Pharmaceutical Chemists.

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.

28. *Pharmacy Bill (No. 2).*—The Honourable Mr. Sullivan, according to Order, presented the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2), which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Sullivan (with the leave of the House), the Bill was read a second time *pro forma*, and referred to the Public Health Committee.

29. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Dr. McMillan, *Ordered*, That the Public Health Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

30. *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 (with the leave of the House) ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 57 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 58 read.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the clause stand part of the Bill.

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause 59 read and agreed to.

The following new clauses were read a first and a second time and added to the Bill:—

“ 6a. Whereas the Great Barrier Island County Council (hereinafter called the Council) has in its Wharf Account accumulated revenues received on account of the various wharves in the county owned and controlled by the Council, and such revenues are set aside to defray the costs of maintenance of the said wharves and of their renewal when found necessary: And whereas the Council finds it necessary to construct a new wharf at Okupu, Blind Bay, in the said county and desires authority to use an amount of two hundred pounds of the funds in the Wharf Account to assist in defraying the cost of construction of such wharf: And whereas it is expedient that such authority be granted: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

“ The Council is hereby authorized and empowered to expend a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds from the said Wharf Account towards the cost of construction of the wharf at Okupu, Blind Bay, in the Great Barrier Island County.

“ 6a. Whereas the Hutt County Council (hereinafter called the Council) has agreed to join with the Crown in the acquisition of the land hereinafter described, portion of which is to be set aside under the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, and the remainder vested in the Council: And whereas out of the total purchase-price of two thousand pounds the Council has agreed to contribute the sum of twelve hundred and fifty pounds provided payment of that amount may be made by annual instalments: And whereas the vendors of the said land have agreed that the Council's share of the purchase-price may be paid by equal annual instalments without interest over a period of twelve years: And whereas it is desirable that the Council should be authorized to pay the said sum of twelve hundred and fifty pounds by annual instalments as aforesaid: And whereas it is also desirable that provision should be made as hereinafter appearing for the vesting of portion of the said land in the Council: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

“(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act or rule of law, the Council is hereby authorized to pay out of the funds of the Wainuiomata Riding the sum of twelve hundred and fifty pounds as a

contribution towards the acquisition by the Crown of the land hereinafter described, and to make such payment by equal annual instalments without interest over a period not exceeding twelve years.

"(2) On the transfer of the said land to His Majesty the King the Governor-General may, if he is satisfied that suitable arrangements have been made between the Council and the vendors with respect to the payment by annual instalments of its contribution as aforesaid, by Order in Council vest such portion or portions of the said land as he may think fit in the Council, and all land so vested may be administered and dealt with by the Council in all respects as if it had been acquired by the Council under the provisions of the Counties Act, 1920.

"(3) The land to which this section relates is described as follows:—

"All those parcels of land in the Wellington Land District containing an area of approximately two hundred and sixty-five acres, being parts of Sections 20, 21, 22, and 23, Harbour District, and being part of the land comprised in certificates of title, Volume 435, folio 232, and Volume 439, folio 129, Wellington Registry."

To add the following new clause:—

"60. Whereas it was proposed to hold in December, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and January, nineteen hundred and forty, a meeting (known as the New Zealand Centennial Boy Scouts' Jamboree and hereinafter referred to as the jamboree) of Boy Scouts, at Heretaunga, near Wellington: And whereas preparations were made and have until recently been in train for the jamboree: And whereas certain moneys have been paid to certain persons responsible for the arrangements for the jamboree in respect of Boy Scouts who proposed to attend the jamboree: And whereas on account of conditions of war now obtaining it has been found impossible to proceed with the jamboree, and the Boy Scouts concerned have been notified accordingly: And whereas on the first day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, a society was incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act, 1908, known as the New Zealand (1940) Jamboree Team (Incorporated), (hereinafter called the society): And whereas immediately after incorporation of the society the persons responsible for the arrangements for the jamboree paid to the society all moneys then in their hands representing, *inter alia*, the balance of sums received in respect of Boy Scouts as above mentioned: And whereas it is desired to provide for the refund (subject as hereinafter provided) to such Boy Scouts of moneys received in respect of such Boy Scouts as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

"(1) Subject to the deduction therefrom of such sums as shall be necessary to defray the costs and liabilities incurred in connection with the jamboree by the society or by the persons responsible for the arrangements in connection with the said jamboree, and including the costs of winding up the society and distribution of the said moneys as hereinafter provided, all such moneys so received, whether by the society or by the persons responsible for the arrangements for the jamboree, in respect of Boy Scouts as above mentioned shall be paid to the respective authorities for the time being (whether incorporated or unincorporated) of the Boy Scouts in each district from which any moneys shall have been received as aforesaid in respect of any Boy Scout or Boy Scouts who proposed to attend the jamboree.

"(2) Such moneys shall be expressed to be paid to the respective Boy Scout authorities for distribution by those authorities to the Boy Scouts in respect of whom such moneys were paid.

"(3) Such payments shall be made by the society or its nominee, and when effected shall operate as a complete discharge and indemnity to or for the society and its members and to or for all persons who have been concerned in the preparation and control of the said jamboree." (*Honourable Mr. Parry.*)

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Local Legislation 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 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.

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-six minutes after four of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Tuesday, the 26th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Order of Business*.—With the leave of the House, all Order of Business was postponed in order to take a motion of condolence in connection with the mining disaster at Glen Afton.
2. *Mining Disaster, Glen Afton*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Hamilton, *Resolved, nemine contradicente*, That this House deeply deplores the tragic loss of life caused by the mining disaster at Glen Afton on the 24th September, and expresses its sincere sympathy with the bereaved widows and children in their great sorrow.
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. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for four days be granted to Mr. Paikea on account of illness in his family.
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. *Rural Housing Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Rural Housing Bill;
The Honourable Mr. Armstrong moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.
A Debate arose thereupon.
With the leave of the House, the Debate was interrupted in order to consider a motion in connection with the sitting of a Select Committee.
7. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House*.—On motion of Mr. Schramm, *Ordered*, That the Statutes Revision Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

8. *Rural Housing Bill*.—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Rural Housing Bill be now read a second time.
On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed presently.
9. *Order of Business*.—With the leave of the House, Order of Business No. 9 was taken.
10. *Statutes Revision Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on the Statutes Amendment Bill, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
11. *Statutes Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Statutes Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.
12. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 4.
13. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Resolutions about to be submitted to the Committee of Ways and Means, and also the first reading of the Customs Amendment Bill about to be introduced to give statutory effect thereto.
14. *Ways and Means (Customs and Excise Duties Resolutions)*.—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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.
Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.
Mr. McKeen accordingly reported the following Resolutions:—
Resolved, That, subject to section 143 of the Customs Act, 1913, there shall be levied, collected, and paid to and for the use of His Majesty, on all goods mentioned in the First Schedule hereto and imported into New Zealand or entered therein for home consumption after the 26th day of September, 1939, the duties of Customs fixed in respect of such goods by or pursuant to any Act, and, in addition thereto, further duties of Customs equal in every case to twenty-five per centum of the duties so fixed (exclusive of surtax).
Resolved, That, subject to section 143 of the Customs Act, 1913, there shall be levied, collected, and paid to and for the use of His Majesty, on all goods mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto and imported into New Zealand or entered therein for home consumption after the 26th day of September, 1939, the duties of Customs fixed in respect of such goods by or pursuant to any Act, and, in addition thereto, further duties of Customs equal in every case to fifteen per centum of the duties so fixed (exclusive of surtax).
Resolved, That the duties provided for in the foregoing Resolutions shall not be in force in the Cook Islands unless and until the Governor-General by Order in Council so determines, and that, until otherwise lawfully determined, the duties and exemptions now in force in those Islands shall continue to be paid and allowed.

EXCISE DUTIES.

Beer Duty.

Resolved, That excise duty shall be payable on all beer brewed in New Zealand of which the worts are pitched for fermentation after the 26th day of September, 1939, as follows:—

- (a) Where the specific gravity of the worts used in the production of the beer does not exceed 1,047 the duty shall be at the rate of two shillings per gallon of the beer; and
- (b) Where the specific gravity of the worts exceeds 1,047 the duty per gallon shall be at the rate aforesaid, increased by one-sixteenth of a penny for every unit of specific gravity above 1,047.

Tobacco Duty.

Resolved, That there shall be levied, collected, and paid to and for the use of His Majesty on tobacco manufactured in New Zealand that is entered for home consumption after the twenty-sixth day of September, 1939, the excise duties fixed in respect thereof by subsection (1) of section 22 of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1934, and, in addition thereto, further excise duties equal in every case to twenty-five per centum of the duties payable in accordance with the said subsection.

EXPORT DUTY ON GOLD.

Resolved, That there shall be levied, collected, and paid to and for the use of His Majesty on all gold in respect of which duty is payable under section 13 of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1932-33, and which is exported from New Zealand after the 26th day of September, 1939, a further duty of an amount equal to seventy-five per centum of the excess of the London market value of that gold (expressed in New Zealand currency), as on the date when the gold is laden upon the exporting ship or when it is posted to an overseas address, as the case may be, over the value of that gold if it were computed at the rate of nine pounds five shillings and eightpence (New Zealand currency) for every ounce troy weight of gold of the fineness of 24 carats. For the purposes of this Resolution £100 sterling shall be deemed to be the equivalent of £125 in New Zealand currency.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

GOODS (AS SPECIFIED IN THE FIRST SCHEDULE TO THE CUSTOMS ACTS AMENDMENT ACT, 1934), IN RESPECT OF WHICH TWENTY-FIVE PER CENTUM ADDITIONAL CUSTOMS DUTIES ARE IMPOSED.

Item No.	Tariff Items.
CLASS II.—TOBACCO.	
74	Cigarettes n.e.i.
75	Cigarettes, exceeding in weight 2½ lb. per 1,000.
76	Cigars, including the weight of every band, wrapper, or attachment, to any cigar.
77	Snuff.
79	Tobacco, cut.
80	Tobacco n.e.i., including the weight of every label, tag, or other attachment.
81	(1) Tobacco, unmanufactured, entered to be manufactured in New Zealand in any bonded tobacco-factory licensed under the Tobacco Act, 1908, for manufacturing purposes only, into cigarettes. (2) Tobacco, unmanufactured, entered to be manufactured in New Zealand in any bonded tobacco-factory licensed under the Tobacco Act, 1908, on declaration that it will be used only in the manufacture of tobacco, cigars, or snuff.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

GOODS (AS SPECIFIED IN THE FIRST SCHEDULE TO THE CUSTOMS ACTS AMENDMENT ACT, 1934), IN RESPECT OF WHICH FIFTEEN PER CENTUM ADDITIONAL CUSTOMS DUTIES ARE IMPOSED.

Item No.	Tariff Items.
CLASS III.—SPIRITS AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.	
83	Ale, beer of all sorts, porter, cider, and perry, when containing more than 2 per cent. of proof spirit; per gallon, or for six reputed quart bottles or the reputed equivalent in bottles of a larger or smaller reputed capacity.
84	Spirits, viz. :— (1) Cordials, bitters, and liqueurs, when exceeding the strength of 40 per cent. of proof spirit, but not exceeding the strength of proof. (2) Cordials, bitters, and liqueurs, when exceeding the strength of proof. (3) Spirits, and spirituous mixtures, the strength of which can be ascertained by Sikes's hydrometer or other similar instrument, viz. :— (a) Rum. (b) Other kinds. (4) Spirits, and spirituous mixtures, sweetened, n.e.i., when not exceeding the strength of proof. (5) Spirits, and spirituous mixtures, sweetened, n.e.i., when exceeding the strength of proof. (6) Spirits, and spirituous mixtures, containing more than 40 per cent. of proof spirit, but not exceeding the strength of proof, in combination with other ingredients. (7) Spirits, and spirituous mixtures, exceeding the strength of proof, in combination with other ingredients.
90	Wine containing not more than 40 per cent. of proof spirit, viz. :— (1) Sparkling, all kinds. (2) Other kinds.
91	Wine of any kind containing more than 40 per cent. of proof spirit.

And the Resolutions, being read a second time;

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

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

Mr. McKeen 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.

15. *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. 43.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to impose Duties of Customs and Excise and to amend the Customs Acts," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 26th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKean 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 impose Duties of Customs and Excise and to amend the Customs Acts.

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.

16. *Customs Acts Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Customs Acts Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
17. *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. 44.

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 in relation to War Expenses," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 26th September, 1939.

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. McKean reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKean 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 in relation to War Expenses.

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.

18. *War Expenses Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the War Expenses Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
19. *Rural Housing Bill*.—The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Rural Housing 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.
20. *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 Small Farms Amendment Act, 1939, the Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Act, 1939, the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Act, 1939, and the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1939, without amendment.

21. *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. 45.

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, 26th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

22. *Fair Rents Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Mason, according to Order, presented the Fair Rents Amendment Bill, which was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

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.

23. *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. 46.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Crown and other Lands," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 26th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Law relating to Crown and other Lands.

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.

24. *Land Laws Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Langstone, according to Order, presented the Land Laws Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and stands referred to the Lands Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit until twenty minutes after ten of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 27th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Appropriation Bill*.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that on Monday, the 25th September, he had duly presented the Appropriation Bill, 1939, 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.
2. *Petitions*.—Several Public Petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
3. *Paper*.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table with the leave of the House:—

180. Forests Act, 1921-22: Proposal to revoke the Permanent State Forest Reservation over 21 acres in Block XII, Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.
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 Health Committee*.—Dr. McMillan, from the Public Health Committee, brought up a Report on the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2), and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
6. *Pharmacy Bill (No. 2)*.—*Ordered*, That the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2) be committed next sitting-day.
7. *Labour Bills Committee*.—Mr. Chapman, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of T. Wilson, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Labour Bills Committee on the Petition of T. Wilson be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
8. *Native Affairs Committee*.—Mr. O'Brien, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up Reports on the Petition of Tete Meremere and others, and on Parliamentary Papers Nos. 169, 170, 178, and 179; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on Parliamentary Paper No. 178 be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on Parliamentary Papers Nos. 169 and 170 be referred to the Government for consideration.

Ordered, That the Report of the Native Affairs Committee on Parliamentary Paper No. 179 be referred to the Government.

9. *Defence Committee*.—Mr. Barclay (for Mr. Lyon), from the Defence Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of the Marlborough Returned Soldiers' Association and H. S. Stade, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Report of the Defence Committee on the Petition of the Marlborough Returned Soldiers' Association and H. S. Stade be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
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 Aubrey Gualter and Company, and others, H. Schmidt and others, Victoria A. Morris, D. M. Martin and others, C. R. N. Mackie and others, Doris M. Mirams and others, J. Treloar and others, and F. Sampson (3); 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 Victoria A. Morris be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.
Ordered, That the Reports of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the Petitions of D. M. Martin and others, C. R. N. Mackie and others, Doris M. Mirams and others, J. Treloar and others, and F. Sampson (3) be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
Ordered, That the Petitions of Aubrey Gualter and Company and others and H. Schmidt and others be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee.
11. *Postponement of Orders of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 5.
12. *Pharmacy Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Pharmacy Bill;
 On motion of the Honourable Mr. Sullivan, *Ordered*, That the Order of the Day for the committal of the Pharmacy Bill be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.
13. *War Expenses Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the War Expenses 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.
14. *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. 47.*
- 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, 27th September, 1939.
- 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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

15. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2)*.—The Honourable Mr. Webb, according to Order, presented the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2), 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 Labour Bills Committee.

16. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (with the leave of the House), *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the War Expenses Bill and the Customs Acts Amendment Bill.

17. *War Expenses Bill*.—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the War Expenses Bill be now read a second time.

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

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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; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the War Expenses 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 with respect to Public Finance in relation to War Expenses."

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 twenty-nine minutes after one of the clock a.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Thursday, the 28th Day of September, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committees to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Chapman, *Ordered*, That the Labour Bills Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. Schramm, *Ordered*, That the Statutes Revision 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. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—

181. Fire Brigades of the Dominion, Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939, by the Inspector of Fire Brigades. H.-12.

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

182. Stock Act, 1908, Order in Council under the, making the Stock Importation Amending Regulations 1939 (No. 2).

183. Orchard and Garden Diseases Act, 1928, Order in Council under the, making the Grape-vine Diseases Regulations 1939.

184. Emergency Regulations Act, 1939, Orders in Council under the, making the Primary Industries Emergency Regulations 1939; the Wool Emergency Regulations 1939; the Industrial Emergency Council Regulations 1939; the Wool Emergency Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1; the Oil Fuel Emergency Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1; and the Courts Emergency Powers Regulations 1939.

185. Defence Act, 1909, Order in Council under the, making the Financial Instructions and Allowance Regulations for the New Zealand Military Forces 1925, Amendment No. 49.

Ordered, That Paper No. 181 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. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Williams, from the Lands Committee, brought up Reports on the Petition of A. J. Barker and others, and on the Land Laws Amendment Bill, and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Lands Committee on the Petition of A. J. Barker and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

6. *Land Laws Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the Land Laws Amendment Bill be read a second time next sitting-day.

7. *Public Petitions A to L Committee.*—Mr. Schramm, from the Public Petitions A to L Committee, brought up a Report on the Petition of S. E. Hill and another; and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

8. *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 Native Purposes Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Local Bills intituled the Waikato Airport Act, 1939, and the Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Private Bill intituled the Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Local Legislation Act, 1939, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

9. *Local Legislation Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Local Legislation Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Parry, *Ordered*, That the amendments 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.

10. *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. 48.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Social Security Act, 1938," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 26th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Social Security Act, 1938.

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

12. *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. 49.

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:—

Clause 30: To omit this clause.

Clause 31: To omit this clause.

Clause 51, subclause (1): To omit the words "exercise the functions for which it is formed under" in lines 27 and 28, and to substitute the words "use for itself or in connection with any of its activities".

Clause 51, subclause (1), paragraph (a): To insert, at the end of line 29, the words "or 'Parliament'"; to insert, at the beginning of line 34, the words "with Parliament or".

To insert the following new clauses:—

"Co-operative Companies.

"12A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Act heretofore known as the Co-operative Pig-marketing Companies Act, 1933 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

"(2) The principal Act may hereafter be cited as the Co-operative Companies Act, 1933, and that Act is hereby consequentially amended by omitting the word 'pig-marketing' from the Title and from section one.

"(3) For the purposes of this section the term 'co-operative fish-marketing company' means a company which is incorporated under the Companies Act, 1933 (whether before or after the passing of this Act), the principal object of which is the treatment for human consumption, or the marketing, of fish supplied to the company by its shareholders, and of the shares issued by which not less than three-fifths in nominal value are held by persons engaged in supplying fish to the company. For the purposes of this subsection the principal business which a company for the time being carries on shall be deemed to be the principal object of the company, notwithstanding that it may have authority to carry on any other business.

"(4) The provisions of sections three to nine of the principal Act shall, with the necessary modifications, apply to co-operative fish-marketing companies.

"(5) Any company entitled to be registered under the principal Act as a co-operative fish-marketing company may be registered under the Companies Act, 1933, under a name which contains the word 'co-operative':

"Provided that if at any time after it is so registered under the Companies Act, 1933, it ceases to be entitled to be registered under the principal Act, or its registration under that Act is cancelled, the Registrar of Companies may call upon it to take steps to change its name so as to remove the signification that it is a co-operative company, and the company shall, not later than one month from the date of the notice from the Registrar, take the appropriate steps under the Companies Act, 1933, to change its name.

"(6) If any company fails to comply with the proviso to the last preceding subsection, the chairman and every director thereof shall be severally liable on summary conviction to a fine of five pounds for every day during which the default continues.

“ Education.

“ 15A. (1) The Governor-General may by Order in Council declare that officers of the Public Service who are employed as teachers in any Native school or in any other school under the control of the Education Department shall, on a date to be specified in that behalf, cease to be subject to the Public Service Act, 1912, and thereafter the teachers for the time being employed in any school to which any such Order in Council relates (whether appointed before or after the date when the Order in Council takes effect) shall be under the control of the Minister of Education.

“(2) Any Order in Council under the last preceding subsection may relate to all schools under the control of the Department of Education, or may relate to any specified school or to schools of any specified class.

“(3) By an Order in Council under this section relating to any school or to schools of a specified class or by a subsequent Order in Council the Governor-General may make regulations as to—

“(a) The method and terms of appointment of teachers employed in any such school:

“(b) The rights of appeal by teachers in respect of their dismissal, suspension, or transfer, the constitution of tribunals for the purpose of hearing appeals, and the procedure to be adopted on the hearing of appeals:

“(c) The staffing of any such school:

“(d) The rates of salaries and allowances to be paid to the teachers for the time being employed in any such school, and the conditions of their employment (including conditions as to leave of absence):

“(e) Any other matters in relation to such schools or to the teachers employed therein.

“(4) Any Order in Council under this section may be at any time in like manner revoked or amended.

“(5) Section twelve of the Education Amendment Act, 1921-22, shall be read subject to the provisions of this section.

“ Industrial and Provident Societies.

“ 29A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1908 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

“(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section two of the Industrial and Provident Societies Amendment Act, 1923, a society shall not be registered under the principal Act unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Registrar—

“(a) That the society is a *bona fide* co-operative society; or

“(b) That, in view of the fact that the business of the society is being, or is intended to be, conducted—

“(i) Mainly for the purpose of improving the conditions of living, or otherwise promoting the social well-being, of members of the working classes; or

“(ii) Otherwise for the benefit of the community,—there are special reasons why the society should be registered under the principal Act rather than as a company under the Companies Act, 1933.

“(3) In this section the term ‘co-operative society’ does not include a society which carries on, or intends to carry on, business with the object of making profits mainly for the payment of interest, dividends, or bonuses on money invested or deposited with, or lent to, the society or any other person.

“ Local Elections and Polls.

“ 37A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Local Elections and Polls Act, 1925.

“ (2) The Governor-General may by Order in Council postpone for any period not exceeding one year the holding of any election required by any Act to be held for the purpose of filling any elective offices in, under, or in connection with any local authority.

“ (3) The persons holding those elective offices on the date of the Order in Council shall, unless they sooner retire or become disqualified for holding office, continue in office until their successors come into office.

“ (4) In any case where any election is postponed under this section the election to be held next after the postponed election shall be held on the same date as it would have been held if there had been no postponement.

“ (5) This section shall continue in force until the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and forty, and no longer.

“ Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation.

“ 45A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

“ (2) Where it appears to the Court of Review that the meaning of any order made under the principal Act is not clear or that the intention of the Court or of an Adjustment Commission cannot be carried out because of any defect in or omission from the order, the Court may, on the application of any person affected by the order, make an order interpreting or amending the prior order or supplementing it so that the defect or omission may be rectified and the intent and purpose of the order fulfilled.

“ (3) Any order made under the last preceding subsection shall have effect according to its tenor.

“ New Zealand University.

“ 48A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the New Zealand University Act, 1908 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

“ (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the principal Act or of the University statutes or of any regulations made thereunder, it shall be lawful for the Senate of the University of New Zealand, during the continuance of the present war and within a reasonable time thereafter, to confer and award degrees, diplomas, certificates of proficiency, scholarships, prizes, bursaries, and exhibitions, and to declare that students have passed in any section or sections, or subject or subjects, with or without having kept terms or complied with the statutes or regulations of the University of New Zealand or of any constituent college or of the New Zealand School of Agriculture upon such tests, certificates, or otherwise as the Senate may in its discretion from time to time deem sufficient:

“ Provided that the powers conferred by this section shall not be exercised in favour of any students unless they prove to the satisfaction of the Senate—

“ (a) That they have been prevented from complying with all or any of the provisions of the said Act, statutes, or regulations or have been otherwise prejudicially affected in the course of their studies by reason of the fact that, whether before or after the passing of this Act, they have been called up for naval, military, or air service or have been required for any special civilian war service; and

“ (b) That they have attained such a standard of proficiency that if they had not been called up or required for that special service they would have qualified to receive the degree, diploma, certificate of proficiency, scholarship, prize, bursary, exhibition, or pass that they wish the Senate to grant them.

" Petroleum.

" 49A. (1) Section nineteen of the Petroleum Act, 1937, is hereby amended by repealing subsection two.

" (2) Section twenty of the Petroleum Act, 1937, is hereby amended by inserting in subsection one, after paragraph (a), the following paragraph:—

" (aa) Land that is part of a road or street."

" Police Offences.

" 52A. (1) Every person who, having the control or management of any dance being held in any hall, supplies intoxicating liquor to any person in the hall, or permits any liquor to be taken into or consumed in the hall, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of twenty pounds.

" (2) Every person who, while a dance is being held in any hall, drinks any intoxicating liquor in the hall, or has any liquor in his possession or control in the hall or in the vicinity of the hall, or supplies liquor to any person in the hall, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of ten pounds.

" (3) For the purposes of the last preceding subsection liquor shall be deemed to be in the vicinity of a hall wherein a dance is being held if it is shown that the liquor was in the possession or control of any person attending or proceeding to attend the dance, or was consumed or intended for consumption by any person so attending.

" (4) Any constable who has reason to suspect that there is any breach by any person of the provisions of this section in or in the vicinity of a hall where a dance is being held may without warrant enter the hall, or any place in the vicinity thereof, and examine the same and search for intoxicating liquor therein and may seize and remove any liquor found therein and the vessels containing the liquor. Any liquor so seized in respect of which any person is convicted of an offence under this section, together with the vessels containing the liquor, shall be forfeited to the Crown.

" (5) Nothing in this section shall apply in relation to any liquor in any licensed premises or in any dwellinghouse.

" (6) For the purposes of this section,—

" 'Hall' means any building where any public dance is held or where any dance is held to which admission is obtained upon payment of subscriptions, either in money or by way of supplying refreshments, and whether upon general or individual invitation, or otherwise:

" 'Intoxicating liquor' and 'liquor' shall have the meaning assigned to those terms by section four of the Licensing Act, 1908.

" War Pensions and War Veterans' Allowances.

" 60A. (1) There shall be an officer of the Social Security Department established under the Social Security Act, 1938, to be known as the Secretary for War Pensions, who, in respect of war pensions and of war veterans' allowances, shall have the powers and functions exercised by the Commissioner of Pensions before the abolition of that office.

" (2) The officer holding office on the passing of this Act as the Secretary for War Pensions shall be deemed to have been duly appointed to that office.

" (3) The War Veterans' Allowances Act, 1935, is hereby consequentially amended as follows:—

" (a) By repealing the definition of the term 'Commissioner' in section two thereof;

" (b) By substituting references to the Secretary for War Pensions for the references to the Commissioner in section four thereof;

" (c) By repealing section fifteen thereof.

“(4) Section six of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1936, is hereby consequentially amended by substituting a reference to the Secretary for War Pensions for the reference to the Commissioner in subsection three thereof.

“*Workers' Compensation.*”

“61A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1922 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

“(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the principal Act, the Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, make regulations for all or any of the following purposes:—

“(a) Establishing a Court of Record to exercise the jurisdiction conferred on the Court of Arbitration by the principal Act, and conferring on the Court so established all or any of the powers conferred by that Act on the Court of Arbitration:

“(b) Providing for the Court so established to have a seal which shall be judicially noticed:

“(c) Providing for the appointment of the member or members of the Court, regulating the terms of appointment, and fixing the remuneration and travelling-allowances payable, so that any such regulations may make different provision in respect of different members of the Court:

“(d) Regulating the procedure of the Court:

“(e) Prescribing forms and fees in connection with any matters provided for by the regulations:

“(f) Making any other provisions consistent with this section and with the principal Act which he thinks necessary and advisable in order to give full effect to the provisions of this section and of that Act.”

Government House,

Wellington, 28th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

13. *Customs Acts Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Customs Acts Amendment Bill;

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

14. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Customs Acts Amendment Bill, the Statutes Amendment Bill, the Rural Housing Bill, and the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2).

15. *Customs Acts Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the Committee on the Customs Acts Amendment Bill;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Customs Acts 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 impose Duties of Customs and Excise, and to amend the Customs Acts."

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

16. *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 War Expenses Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Act, 1939, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

17. *Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill.*—*Ordered,* That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered,* That the amendments 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.

18. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Statutes Amendment Bill;

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be committed.

A Debate arose thereupon.

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

FRIDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1939.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be committed, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.

19. *Statutes Amendment Bill: Clause referred to Statutes Revision Committee.*—

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered,* That the Resolution passed this day referring the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Statutes Amendment Bill and contained in Supplementary Order Paper No. 14 to the Committee on the Bill be so far rescinded as to allow clause 52A to be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee and that the clause be referred accordingly.

And then the House, having continued to sit until three minutes after one of the clock a.m., on motion of the

Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Friday, the 29th Day of September, 1939.

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. *Labour Bills Committee.*—Mr. Chapman, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Report on the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2), and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
3. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2).*—*Ordered,* That the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2) be committed next sitting-day.
4. *Social Security Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Social Security Amendment Bill;
The Honourable Mr. Parry moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.
A Debate arose thereupon.
With the leave of the House, the Debate was interrupted in order to consider a motion in connection with the sitting of a Select Committee.
5. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House.*—On motion of Mr. Schramm, *Ordered,* That the Statutes Revision Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
6. *Social Security Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Social Security Amendment 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 forthwith.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Social Security 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 Social Security Act, 1938.”
Ordered, That the Clerk-Assistant do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting their concurrence.

7. *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. 50.

The Bills intituled:—

The Transport Law Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Adhesive Stamps Act, 1939,
 The Summary Penalties Act, 1939,
 The Legitimation Act, 1939,
 The Domestic Proceedings Act, 1939,
 The Hire-purchase Agreements Act, 1939,
 The Taieri River Improvement Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Municipal Association Act, 1939,
 The Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Otago Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1939, and
 The Auckland City Empowering Act, 1939,

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, 28th September, 1939.

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. 51.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Land and Income Tax Act, 1923," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 28th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Land and Income Tax Act, 1923.

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 Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Land and Income Tax 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 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. 52.

Pursuant to section 56 of the Constitution Act, the Governor-General returns to the House of Representatives the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Training and Registration of Nursing Aids, and to amend the Nurses and Midwives Registration Act, 1925," with the following amendment, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

Clause 12: To add the following as subclause (2) of the clause:—

"(2) Subsection three of section ten of the principal Act is hereby consequentially repealed."

Government House,

Wellington, 29th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Nurses and Midwives Registration Act, 1925.

11. *Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the amendment proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That the amendment be agreed to.

Ordered, That the amendment proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, together with a Message acquainting them that this House has agreed thereto.

12. *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.

Pursuant to section 56 of the Constitution Act, the Governor-General returns to the House of Representatives the 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," with the following amendments, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

Clause 21, subclause (1): To insert at the beginning of this subclause the words: "Subject to the provisions of section forty-six hereof."

Clause 46: To insert, after subclause (1), the following new subclause:—

“(1A) Notwithstanding anything in subparagraph (ii) or in subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (b) of the last preceding subsection, any meat derived from stock slaughtered on a farm by a *bona fide* farmer in an abattoir district or elsewhere, but otherwise in accordance with the conditions prescribed by the said paragraph, may be sold by him to any person who is regularly employed by him exclusively in connection with farming operations on the same or any other farm.”

Part II of First Schedule: To insert the word “arthritis” after the word “anthrax”; to insert the words “caseous lymphadenitis” after the word “blackleg”; to insert the words “peritonitis (septic), pleurisy (septic)” after the word “mange.”

Government House,

Wellington, 29th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 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.

13. *Meat Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Meat Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin, *Ordered*, That the amendments be agreed to.

Ordered, That the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Meat Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council together with a Message acquainting them that this House has agreed thereto.

14. *Postponement of Order of the Day*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 was postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 3.

15. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Rural Housing Bill, the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2), the Statutes Amendment Bill, and the Land Laws Amendment Bill.

16. *Pharmacy Bill (No. 2)*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2);

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Sullivan 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.

17. *Rural Housing Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Rural Housing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be committed presently.
18. *Statutes Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Statutes Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.
19. *Committal of Bills*.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Rural Housing Bill, the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2), and the Statutes Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

20. *Rural Housing Bill*:

Clause 1 read and agreed to.

Clause 2 read.

Amendments proposed: To insert, after the word "operations" in line 18, the words "(whether by himself or by a manager or other person on his behalf)"; to add, after the word "him" in line 18, the words "and includes the personal representatives of a deceased farmer".
(Honourable Mr. Armstrong.)

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 3 read.

Amendments proposed: To add at the end of subclause (1) the words "or for the use of any member of his family who is engaged in farming operations on the farm, or to enable him to repair or add to existing dwellings"; to insert, after the word "provided" in line 7, the words "or is situated"; to insert, after the word "dwelling" in line 17, the words "or repairs"; to omit subclause (5), and to substitute the following new subclause:—

"(5) No advance shall be granted except with the precedent consent of the State Advances Corporation of New Zealand." *(Honourable Mr. Armstrong.)*

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 4 read.

Amendments proposed: To omit the word "fourteen" in line 2, page 3, and to substitute the word "thirty"; to insert, after the word "him" in line 2, page 3, the words "or within such further period as may be prescribed". *(Honourable Mr. Armstrong.)*

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 5 read and agreed to.

Clause 6 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit from the proviso to subclause (1) the words "person except the farmer and his executors, administrators, and assigns", and to substitute the words "mortgagee or lessor to whom notice of the application for the advance is given under section four of this Act".
(Honourable Mr. Armstrong.)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 10 inclusive read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

21. *Pharmacy Bill (No. 2):*

The amendments made by the Public Health Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 to 32 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 33 read.

Amendments proposed: To omit paragraph (g), and to substitute the following new paragraph:—

“(g) Any person who at the commencement of this Act is a member of the New Zealand Association of Medical Herbalists (Incorporated), and is then engaged in carrying on business as a herbalist, or any person, being a member of the said Association, who, with the consent of the Minister, commences to carry on business as a herbalist after the commencement of this Act, if, in any such case, the following conditions are complied with, namely:—

“(i) The business is carried on at one address only of which notice in writing has been given by the proprietor to the Registrar; and

“(ii) The business is carried on by the proprietor personally or under his immediate supervision and control.”

To add the following subclause:—

“(2) Nothing in paragraph (g) of the last preceding subsection shall be construed to limit the powers conferred on the Governor-General by paragraph (c) of subsection four of the last preceding section.” (*Honourable Mr. Sullivan.*)

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 34 to 46 inclusive read and agreed to.

First and Second Schedules read and agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

22. *Statutes Amendment Bill:*

Clause 1 read.

To report progress and move for leave to sit again.

23. *Rural Housing Bill.*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Rural Housing 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 provide for Financing the Erection of Dwellings for Farmers and Farm Workers.”

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

24. *Pharmacy Bill (No. 2).*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Pharmacy Bill (No. 2) 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 Registration and Control of Pharmaceutical Chemists.”

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

25. *Statutes Amendment Bill*.—Mr. McKeen 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, next sitting-day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

26. *Land Laws Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Land Laws 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. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Land Laws 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 Law relating to Crown and other Lands."

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-eight minutes after five of the clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House stands adjourned.

Tuesday, the 3rd Day of October, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave for Select Committee to sit during Sitting of House*.—On motion of Mr. Schramm, *Ordered*, That the Statutes Revision Committee have leave to sit during the present sitting of the House.
2. *Order of Business*.—With the leave of the House, consideration of all business down to but not including Notices of Motion was postponed in order to consider Notices of Motion Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive.
3. *Revocation of Reservation over Reserve in Waitaki Survey District*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 101 for the revocation of the reservation over a reserve in the Waitaki Survey District, Canterbury Land District.
4. *Revocation of Reservation over Area in Tairua Survey District*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 102 for the revocation of the reservation over certain lands in the Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.
5. *Reservation of certain Land as Endowment for Primary Education*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 159 for the reservation of certain land in the North Auckland Land District as an endowment for primary education.

6. *Revocation of Reservation over Puketitiri Domain, Hawke's Bay Land District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 166 for the revocation of the reservation over the Puketitiri Domain, Hawke's Bay Land District.
7. *Revocation of Reservation over Area in Tairua Survey District.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Resolved*, That this House approves of the proposal contained in Paper No. 180 for the revocation of the reservation over certain lands in the Tairua Survey District, Auckland Land District.
8. *Leave of Absence.*—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. Macfarlane on account of illness in his family.
On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for two days be granted to Mr. Ratana on account of urgent public business.
9. *Papers.*—The following Paper was presented by Command of His Excellency:—
186. Orakei Lands: Report of Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report as to Grievances alleged by Maoris with regard to certain Lands at Orakei, in the City of Auckland. G.-6.
The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
187. Customs Amendment Act, 1921, Order in Council under the, making the Trade Agreement (Canada) Order, 1939.
188. Insurance Companies' Returns: For Year ended 31st December, 1938 [Provident Life Assurance Company, Limited; Prudential Assurance Company, Limited; and Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 31st March, 1939 [Otago Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Association]; for Year ended 30th June, 1939 [North Island Motor Union Insurance Company and Victoria Insurance Company, Limited]; for Year ended 31st July, 1939 [Sawmillers' Mutual Accident Insurance Company].
Ordered, That Paper No. 186 be printed.
10. *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.
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 Social Security Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—
The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment.
12. *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. 54.*
The Bill intituled the Appropriation Act, 1939, 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, 29th September, 1939.

13. *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. 55.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision with respect to Forces of His Majesty from other Parts of the British Commonwealth or from a Colony when visiting the Dominion of New Zealand, and with respect to the Exercise of Command and Discipline when Forces of His Majesty from Different Parts of the Commonwealth are serving together, and with respect to the Attachment of Members of one such Force to another such Force, and with respect to Deserters from such Forces," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 27th September, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Forces of His Majesty from other Parts of the British Commonwealth or from a Colony when visiting the Dominion of New Zealand, and with respect to the Exercise of Command and Discipline when Forces of His Majesty from Different Parts of the Commonwealth are serving together, and with respect to the Attachment of Members of one such Force to another such Force, and with respect to Deserters from such Forces.

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. *Visiting Forces Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Jones, according to Order, presented the Visiting Forces Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
15. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Statutes Amendment Bill, the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2), and the Land and Income Tax Amendment Bill.
16. *Land and Income Tax Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Land and Income Tax 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. Fraser, *Ordered*, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed presently.

17. *Statutes Revision Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up a Report on clause 52A of the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Statutes Amendment Bill and contained in Supplementary Order Paper No. 14; and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
18. *Statutes Amendment Bill: Amendment proposed by His Excellency*.—*Ordered*, That clause 52A of the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Statutes Amendment Bill be referred to the Committee on the Bill.
19. *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. 56.

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, 3rd October, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

20. *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.
21. *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 Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 3rd October, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

22. *Marketing Amendment Bill*.—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Marketing Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
23. *Land and Income Tax Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Land and Income Tax Amendment Bill be now read a second time;
And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said Adjourned Debate.
And the House, having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock a.m. on Wednesday morning;

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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. (*Honourable Mr. Fraser.*)

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
Barclay
Barrell
Boswell
Carr
Chapman
Combs
Cotterill
Cullen
Denham
Fraser
Frost
Hodgens
Hultquist

Jones
Langstone
Lee
Lowry
McMillan
Martin
Mason
Meachen
Moncur
Nash
Neilson
Nordmeyer
Osborne
Paika

Parry
Petrie
Roberts
Robertson
Schramm
Skinner
Stewart
Thorn
Webb
Williams.

Tellers.

O'Brien
Richards.

NOES, 20.

Bodkin
Burnett
Coates
Diekie
Doidge
Endean
Forbes

Goosman
Gordon
Grigg
Hamilton
Holland
Jull
Kidd

Macdonald
Massey
Polson
Wilkinson.

Tellers.

Broadfoot
Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 2 read and agreed to.

Clause 3 read.

Amendment proposed: To omit the words "outside New Zealand" where they occur in lines 14, 15, and 17. (*Mr. Holland.*)

Amendment, with the leave of the Committee, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 4 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the words "or in excess of the rate of four pounds a week, whichever is the less" in lines 30 and 31. (*Mr. Holland.*)

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

AYES, 40.

Anderton	Jones	Parry
Barclay	Langstone	Petrie
Barrell	Lee	Roberts
Boswell	Lowry	Robertson
Carr	McMillan	Schramm
Chapman	Martin	Skinner
Combs	Mason	Stewart
Cotterill	Meachen	Thorn
Cullen	Moncur	Webb
Denham	Nash	Williams.
Fraser	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Frost	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Hodgens	Osborne	Richards.
Hultquist	Paikea	

NOES, 19.

Bodkin	Gordon	Massey
Burnett	Grigg	Polson
Coates	Hamilton	Wilkinson.
Dickie	Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Doidge	Jull	Broadfoot
Endean	Kidd	Kyle.
Goosman	Macdonald	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 5 to 8 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 9 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, 40.

Anderton	Jones	Parry
Barclay	Langstone	Petrie
Barrell	Lee	Roberts
Boswell	Lowry	Robertson
Carr	McMillan	Schramm
Chapman	Martin	Skinner
Combs	Mason	Stewart
Cotterill	Meachen	Thorn
Cullen	Moncur	Webb
Denham	Nash	Williams.
Fraser	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Frost	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Hodgens	Osborne	Richards.
Hultquist	Paikea	

NOES, 18.

Bodkin	Gordon	Massey
Burnett	Grigg	Polson.
Coates	Hamilton	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dickie	Holland	Broadfoot
Doidge	Jull	Kyle.
Endean	Kidd	
Goosman	Macdonald	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 10 to 12 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 13 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (5) to omit the words "two hundred and fifty" in line 41. (*Mr. Kyle.*)

And the Question being put, That the words stand part of the clause, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 39.

Anderton	Langstone	Petrie
Barclay	Lee	Roberts
Barrell	Lowry	Robertson
Boswell	McMillan	Schramm
Chapman	Martin	Skinner
Combs	Mason	Stewart
Cotterill	Meachen	Thorn
Cullen	Moncur	Webb
Denham	Nash	Williams.
Fraser	Neilson	
Frost	Nordmeyer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Hodgens	Osborne	O'Brien
Hultquist	Paikea	Richards.
Jones	Parry	

NOES, 17.

Bodkin	Goosman	Macdonald
Burnett	Gordon	Massey
Coates	Grigg	Polson.
Dickie	Hamilton	<i>Tellers.</i>
Doidge	Holland	Broadfoot
Endean	Kidd	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 14 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to add to paragraph (a) the words "if the total unimproved value of such land is not less than one thousand pounds". (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton.*)

And the Question being put on the addition of the words, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 17.

Bodkin	Goosman	Macdonald
Burnett	Gordon	Massey
Coates	Grigg	Polson.
Dickie	Hamilton	<i>Tellers.</i>
Doidge	Holland	Broadfoot
Endean	Kidd	Kyle.

NOES, 38.

Anderton	Jones	Parry
Barclay	Langstone	Petrie
Barrell	Lee	Roberts
Boswell	Lowry	Robertson
Chapman	Martin	Schramm
Combs	Mason	Skinner
Cotterill	Meachen	Stewart
Cullen	Moncur	Thorn
Denham	Nash	Webb
Fraser	Neilson	Williams.
Frost	Nordmeyer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Hodgens	Osborne	O'Brien
Hultquist	Paikea	Richards.

So it passed in the Negative.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 15 to 28 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 29 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (3) to insert, after the word "Act" in line 18, the words "or otherwise howsoever". (*Honourable Mr. Nash.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 30 and 31 read and agreed to.

Clause 32 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to omit the words "or Social Security contribution" in line 10. (*Mr. Polson.*)

And the Question being put on the retention of the words, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 38.

Anderton	Jones	Parry
Barclay	Langstone	Petrie
Barrell	Lee	Roberts
Boswell	Lowry	Robertson
Chapman	Martin	Schramm
Combs	Mason	Skinner
Cotterill	Meachen	Stewart
Cullen	Moncur	Thorn
Denham	Nash	Webb
Fraser	Neilson	Williams.
Frost	Nordmeyer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Hodgens	Osborne	O'Brien
Hultquist	Paika	Richards.

NOES, 16.

Bodkin	Gordon	Massey
Burnett	Grigg	Polson.
Coates	Hamilton	
Doidge	Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Endean	Kidd	Broadfoot
Goosman	Macdonald	Kyle.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

With the unanimous consent of the Committee, clause 13 was reconsidered.

Amendments proposed: In subclause (3) to omit the words "fifty pounds" in paragraph (a), and to insert the words "two hundred pounds"; in paragraph (b) to omit the words "fifty pounds", and to insert the words "two hundred pounds"; in subclause (5) to omit the words "two hundred and fifty pounds" in line 41, and to insert the words "four hundred pounds"; in subclause (6) to omit the words "two hundred and fifty pounds" in paragraph (a), and to insert the words "four hundred pounds"; in subclause (9) to omit the words "fifty pounds" in line 20, and to insert the words "two hundred pounds"; to omit the words "fifty pounds" in line 22, and to insert the words "two hundred pounds"; in subclause (10) to omit the words "fifty pounds" in line 28, and to insert the words "two hundred pounds"; to omit the words "fifty pounds" in line 30, and to insert the words "two hundred pounds". (*Honourable Mr. Nash.*)

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Land and Income Tax 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 Land and Income Tax Act, 1923."

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 twenty-eight minutes after four of the clock a.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Wednesday, the 4th Day of October, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Leave of Absence*.—On motion of Mr. Richards, *Ordered*, That leave of absence for three days be granted to Mr. McCombs on account of illness in his family.
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. *Statutes Revision Committee*.—Mr. Schramm, from the Statutes Revision Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of Aubrey Gualter and Company and others, H. Schmidt and others, and on the Fair Rents Amendment Bill, and the Legal Aid Bill; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
4. *Fair Rents Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Fair Rents Amendment Bill be committed next sitting-day.
5. *Legal Aid Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the Legal Aid Bill be committed next sitting-day.
6. *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 F. F. Park, R. W. MacMillan, and G. E. Simpson and others; 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 R. W. MacMillan 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 F. F. Park be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

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

The Legislative Council has agreed to the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Bill intituled the Meat Act, 1939, transmitted in Message No. 37 from the House of Representatives. Also,—

The Legislative Council has agreed to the amendment proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Bill intituled the Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Act, 1939, transmitted in Message No. 36 from the House of Representatives. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Pharmacy Act, 1939, and the Rural Housing Act, 1939, without amendment.

8. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2), the Statutes Amendment Bill, the Finance Bill (No. 2), the Marketing Amendment Bill, and the Visiting Forces Bill.

9. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2).*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2).

Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Webb 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.

10. *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 Land Laws Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—

The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Act, 1939, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

11. *Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill.*—*Ordered*, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the amendments 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.

12. *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 forthwith.

13. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2) and the Statutes Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

14. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2):*

Clauses 1 to 7 inclusive read and agreed to.

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

“ 7A. Section twenty-eight of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1936, is hereby amended by inserting, after subsection two a thereof, the following subsection:—

“ It shall not be competent for any industrial union of workers, or for any society of workers bound by an agreement under section eight of the Labour Disputes Investigation Act, 1913, to raise the subscription payable by its members for the purpose of making contributions to the funds of any political party, or for the purpose of investing capital in any company or political undertaking, and, in so far as the rules of any union are inconsistent with the provisions of this subsection, they shall be null and void.” (Mr. Polson.)

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, 23.

Bodkin	Goosman	Macdonald
Burnett	Gordon	Massey
Coates	Grigg	Polson
Cobbe	Hamilton	Ransom
Dickie	Hargest	Roy.
Doidge	Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Edean	Jull	Broadfoot
Forbes	Kidd	Kyle.

NOES, 44.

Anderton	Hodgens	Parry
Armstrong	Hultquist	Petrie
Atmore	Jones	Roberts
Barclay	Langstone	Robertson
Barrell	Lee	Schramm
Boswell	Lowry	Semple
Carr	Martin	Skinner
Chapman	Mason	Stewart
Coleman	Moncur	Sullivan
Combs	Munro	Thorn
Cotterill	Nash	Webb
Cullen	Neilson	Williams.
Denham	Nordmeyer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Osborne	O'Brien
Frost	Paikca	Richards.

So it passed in the Negative.

To report the Bill without amendment.

15. *Statutes Amendment Bill:*

Clauses 1 to 12 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 13 read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (2) to omit the words “ Where in any action under the principal Act damages are recovered ” in lines 33 and 34, and to substitute the words “ Where any damages are recovered under the principal Act ”. (Honourable Mr. Mason.)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 14 to 29 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 30 read and omitted.

Clause 31 read and omitted.

Clauses 32 to 50 inclusive read and agreed to.

Clause 51 read.

Amendments proposed: In paragraph (a) of subclause (1) to insert, after the word "Imperial" in line 29, the words "or Parliament"; to insert at the beginning of line 34 the words "with Parliament or". (*Honourable Mr. Mason.*)

Amendments agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clauses 52 to 61 inclusive read and agreed to.

The following new clauses were read a first and a second time and added to the Bill:—

"Hospitals and Charitable Institutions.

"28A. Subsection four of section ninety-four of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1926, is hereby repealed." (*Honourable Mr. Mason.*)

"Co-operative Companies.

"12A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Act heretofore known as the Co-operative Pig-marketing Companies Act, 1933 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

"(2) The principal Act may hereafter be cited as the Co-operative Companies Act, 1933, and that Act is hereby consequentially amended by omitting the word 'Pig-marketing' from the Title and from section one.

"(3) For the purposes of this section the term 'co-operative fish-marketing company' means a company which is incorporated under the Companies Act, 1933 (whether before or after the passing of this Act), the principal object of which is the treatment for human consumption, or the marketing, of fish supplied to the company by its shareholders, and of the shares issued by which not less than three-fifths in nominal value are held by persons engaged in supplying fish to the company. For the purposes of this subsection the principal business which a company for the time being carries on shall be deemed to be the principal object of the company, notwithstanding that it may have authority to carry on any other business.

"(4) The provisions of sections three to nine of the principal Act shall, with the necessary modifications, apply to co-operative fish-marketing companies.

"(5) Any company entitled to be registered under the principal Act as a co-operative fish-marketing company may be registered under the Companies Act, 1933, under a name which contains the word 'co-operative':

"Provided that if at any time after it is so registered under the Companies Act, 1933, it ceases to be entitled to be registered under the principal Act, or its registration under that Act is cancelled, the Registrar of Companies may call upon it to take steps to change its name so as to remove the signification that it is a co-operative company, and the company shall, not later than one month from the date of the notice from the Registrar, take the appropriate steps under the Companies Act, 1933, to change its name.

"(6) If any company fails to comply with the proviso to the last preceding subsection, the chairman and every director thereof shall be severally liable on summary conviction to a fine of five pounds for every day during which the default continues.

“ Education.

“ 15A. (1) The Governor-General may by Order in Council declare that officers of the Public Service who are employed as teachers in any Native School or in any other school under the control of the Education Department shall, on a date to be specified in that behalf, cease to be subject to the Public Service Act, 1912, and thereafter the teachers for the time being employed in any school to which any such Order in Council relates (whether appointed before or after the date when the Order in Council takes effect) shall be under the control of the Minister of Education.

“ (2) Any Order in Council under the last preceding subsection may relate to all schools under the control of the Department of Education, or may relate to any specified school or to schools of any specified class.

“ (3) By an Order in Council under this section relating to any school or to schools of a specified class or by a subsequent Order in Council the Governor-General may make regulations as to—

“ (a) The method and terms of appointment of teachers employed in any such school:

“ (b) The rights of appeal by teachers in respect of their dismissal, suspension, or transfer, the constitution of tribunals for the purpose of hearing appeals, and the procedure to be adopted on the hearing of appeals:

“ (c) The staffing of any such school:

“ (d) The rates of salaries and allowances to be paid to the teachers for the time being employed in any such school, and the conditions of their employment (including conditions as to leave of absence):

“ (e) Any other matters in relation to such schools or to the teachers employed therein.

“ (4) Any Order in Council under this section may be at any time in like manner revoked or amended.

“ (5) Section twelve of the Education Amendment Act, 1921-22, shall be read subject to the provisions of this section.

“ Industrial and Provident Societies.

“ 29A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1908 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

“ (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section two of the Industrial and Provident Societies Amendment Act, 1923, a society shall not be registered under the principal Act unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Registrar—

“ (a) That the society is a *bona fide* co-operative society; or

“ (b) That, in view of the fact that the business of the society is being, or is intended to be, conducted—

“ (i) Mainly for the purpose of improving the conditions of living, or otherwise promoting the social well-being, of members of the working classes; or

“ (ii) Otherwise for the benefit of the community,—
there are special reasons why the society should be registered under the principal Act rather than as a company under the Companies Act, 1933.

“ (3) In this section the term ‘co-operative society’ does not include a society which carries on, or intends to carry on, business with the object of making profits mainly for the payment of interest, dividends, or bonuses on money invested or deposited with, or lent to, the society or any other person.

" Local Elections and Polls.

" 37A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Local Elections and Polls Act, 1925.

" (2) The Governor-General may by Order in Council postpone for any period not exceeding one year the holding of any election required by any Act to be held for the purpose of filling any elective offices in, under, or in connection with any local authority.

" (3) The persons holding those elective offices on the date of the Order in Council shall, unless they sooner retire or become disqualified for holding office, continue in office until their successors come into office.

" (4) In any case where any election is postponed under this section the election to be held next after the postponed election shall be held on the same date as it would have been held if there had been no postponement.

" (5) This section shall continue in force until the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and forty, and no longer.

" Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation.

" 45A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

" (2) Where it appears to the Court of Review that the meaning of any order made under the principal Act is not clear or that the intention of the Court or of an Adjustment Commission cannot be carried out because of any defect in or omission from the order, the Court may, on the application of any person affected by the order, make an order interpreting or amending the prior order or supplementing it so that the defect or omission may be rectified and the intent and purpose of the order fulfilled.

" (3) Any order made under the last preceding subsection shall have effect according to its tenor.

" New Zealand University.

" 48A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the New Zealand University Act, 1908 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

" (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the principal Act or of the University statutes or of any regulations made thereunder, it shall be lawful for the Senate of the University of New Zealand, during the continuance of the present war and within a reasonable time thereafter, to confer and award degrees, diplomas, certificates of proficiency, scholarships, prizes, bursaries, and exhibitions, and to declare that students have passed in any section or sections, or subject or subjects, with or without having kept terms or complied with the statutes or regulations of the University of New Zealand or of any constituent college or of the New Zealand School of Agriculture upon such tests, certificates, or otherwise as the Senate may in its discretion from time to time deem sufficient:

" Provided that the powers conferred by this section shall not be exercised in favour of any students unless they prove to the satisfaction of the Senate—

" (a) That they have been prevented from complying with all or any of the provisions of the said Act, statutes, or regulations or have been otherwise prejudicially affected in the course of their studies by reason of the fact that, whether before or after the passing of this Act, they have been called up for naval, military, or air service or have been required for any special civilian war service; and

" (b) That they have attained such a standard of proficiency that if they had not been called up or required for that special service they would have qualified to receive the degree, diploma, certificate of proficiency, scholarship, prize, bursary, exhibition, or pass that they wish the Senate to grant them.

"Petroleum.

" 49A. (1) Section nineteen of the Petroleum Act, 1937, is hereby amended by repealing subsection two.

" (2) Section twenty of the Petroleum Act, 1937, is hereby amended by inserting in subsection one, after paragraph (a), the following paragraph:—

" (aa) Land that is part of a road or street."

"Police Offences.

" 52A. (1) Every person who, having the control or management of any dance being held in any hall, supplies intoxicating liquor to any person in the hall, or permits any liquor to be taken into or consumed in the hall, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of twenty pounds.

" (2) Every person who, while a dance is being held in any hall, drinks any intoxicating liquor in the hall, or has any liquor in his possession or control in the hall or in the vicinity of the hall, or supplies liquor to any person in the hall, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of ten pounds.

" (3) For the purposes of the last preceding subsection liquor shall be deemed to be in the vicinity of a hall wherein a dance is being held if it is shown that the liquor was in the possession or control of any person attending or proceeding to attend the dance, or was consumed or intended for consumption by any person so attending.

" (4) Any constable who has reason to suspect that there is any breach by any person of the provisions of this section in or in the vicinity of a hall where a dance is being held may without warrant enter the hall, or any place in the vicinity thereof, and examine the same and search for intoxicating liquor therein and may seize and remove any liquor found therein and the vessels containing the liquor. Any liquor so seized in respect of which any person is convicted of an offence under this section, together with the vessels containing the liquor, shall be forfeited to the Crown.

" (5) Nothing in this section shall apply in relation to any liquor in any licensed premises or in any dwellinghouse.

" (6) For the purposes of this section,—

" 'Hall' means any building where any public dance is held or where any dance is held to which admission is obtained upon payment of subscriptions, either in money or by way of supplying refreshments, and whether upon general or individual invitation, or otherwise:

" 'Intoxicating liquor' and 'liquor' shall have the meaning assigned to those terms by section four of the Licensing Act, 1908.

"War Pensions and War Veterans' Allowances.

" 60A. (1) There shall be an officer of the Social Security Department established under the Social Security Act, 1938, to be known as the Secretary for War Pensions, who, in respect of war pensions and of war veterans' allowances, shall have the powers and functions exercised by the Commissioner of Pensions before the abolition of that office.

" (2) The officer holding office on the passing of this Act as the Secretary for War Pensions shall be deemed to have been duly appointed to that office.

" (3) The War Veterans' Allowances Act, 1935, is hereby consequentially amended as follows:—

" (a) By repealing the definition of the term 'Commissioner' in section two thereof:

" (b) By substituting references to the Secretary for War Pensions for the references to the Commissioner in section four thereof:

" (c) By repealing section fifteen thereof.

“(4) Section six of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1936, is hereby consequentially amended by substituting a reference to the Secretary for War Pensions for the reference to the Commissioner in subsection three thereof.

“ *Workers' Compensation.*

“ 61A. (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1922 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).

“(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the principal Act, the Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, make regulations for all or any of the following purposes:—

“(a) Establishing a Court of Record to exercise the jurisdiction conferred on the Court of Arbitration by the principal Act, and conferring on the Court so established all or any of the powers conferred by that Act on the Court of Arbitration:

“(b) Providing for the Court so established to have a seal which shall be judicially noticed:

“(c) Providing for the appointment of the member or members of the Court, regulating the terms of appointment, and fixing the remuneration and travelling-allowances payable, so that any such regulations may make different provision in respect of different members of the Court:

“(d) Regulating the procedure of the Court:

“(e) Prescribing forms and fees in connection with any matters provided for by the regulations:

“(f) Making any other provisions consistent with this section and with the principal Act which he thinks necessary and advisable in order to give full effect to the provisions of this section and of that Act.” (*Honourable Mr. Mason.*)

To report the Bill with amendment.

16. *Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2).*—On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2), 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.

17. *Statutes Amendment Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also 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.

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. 58.

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 insert, after clause 10, the following new clauses:—

" 10A. (1) In anticipation of the revenue and other moneys payable into the Social Security Fund, the Minister of Finance may from time to time, without further appropriation than this section, transfer to that fund from the Consolidated Fund such amounts as may in his opinion be required for the purposes of the Social Security Fund.

" (2) All amounts transferred under this section in any financial year shall, without further appropriation than this section, be retransferred from the Social Security Fund to the Consolidated Fund during that year.

" 10B. Whereas the Southland Electric-power Board (hereinafter called the Board) entered into an agreement (hereinafter referred to as the agreement) with the Gore Borough Council (hereinafter called the Council) on the thirtieth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, to purchase the Council's electric reticulation system and to supply electrical energy direct to the residents of the Borough of Gore upon the terms and conditions therein set out: And whereas the agreement contained a provision that, in the event of the Board agreeing with any other consumer of electrical energy for the supply thereof at a lower price than that payable under the scale set forth in the agreement, the Board would reduce the charges in respect of electrical energy to the consumers within the borough using a similar quantity of energy for similar purposes under reasonably like circumstances to the same rate as was being charged by the Board to such other consumer: And whereas the Board made deeds of agreement with the Mataura Borough Council, dated respectively the first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, and it was contended that by reason of provisions in those deeds the Board was bound to reduce the prices for electrical energy used by consumers in the Borough of Gore: And whereas the Board and the Council agreed on the nineteenth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, to refer to an arbitrator the determination of certain questions arising between them: And whereas prior to the arbitration the Southland Electric-power District was abolished and the Board dissolved pursuant to the provisions of section eight of the Southland Electric-power Supply Act, 1936, and all the rights, liabilities, and engagements of the Board became the rights, liabilities, and engagements of the Crown: And whereas the arbitrator in the matter of the arbitration between the Council and the Minister (as successor to the Board) held that the Minister was bound for a term of fifteen years commencing on the first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, or during such shorter term as the provisions of the Mataura contract might remain in force, not to charge any consumer in the Borough of Gore for any quantity of electrical energy used in the borough more than prices specified in the Mataura contract: And whereas there is still doubt as to the extent to which the Council is entitled to take advantage of the lower charges under the Mataura contract: And whereas it has been mutually agreed between the Council and the Minister that the Minister shall refund to the Gore Borough consumers three-fourths of the amounts computed to be due under the award:

And whereas public notice was twice duly given in a newspaper circulating in the district to the Gore Borough consumers to make application for such refunds prior to the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine: And whereas certain refunds have already been made, and it is desirable to validate those refunds and to authorize further refunds to be made: And whereas consumers in the Borough of Gore have since the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, been charged for electrical energy partly in accordance with the charges under the Mataura contract and partly in accordance with the Gore tariff, and it is desirable to preserve the rights of the present consumers: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

“(1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Minister shall, from moneys appropriated by Parliament for the purposes of the Electric Supply Account, refund an amount to be determined as hereinafter mentioned to every person who during the period beginning on the first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and ending on the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, was a consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore and who is entitled to a refund under the said award and the agreement. All refunds made under this section shall be deemed to be expenditure upon working-expenses of the South Island schemes.

“(2) The refunds made under this section shall be deemed to be in full settlement of all the liabilities of the Minister (as successor to the Board) to make refunds under the award and the agreement.

“(3) No refund shall be made under this section unless an application therefor by the consumer or any other person entitled to claim the refund was received at the office of the Minister at Invercargill or at Gore on or before the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine:

“Provided that the Minister may make a refund under this section in respect of any claim received after that date if he is of opinion that there was good reason for omitting to make the claim on or before that date and that the claim has been made within a reasonable time after that date.

“(4) Any refund under this section may be made to the consumer or to any other person entitled to claim the refund. The determination of the Minister as to the amount of any refund and as to the person to whom it is to be made shall be final and conclusive.

“(5) In arriving at the amount of the refund to be paid to or in respect of any consumer, the Minister shall take into account the difference between the amount actually paid by the consumer during the period referred to in subsection one of this section for electrical energy and the amount that the consumer would have paid had he made the payments on the basis set out in the award; and the amount of the refund shall be three-fourths of that difference.

“(6) All payments made by the Minister before the passing of this Act and purporting to be refunds of moneys due under the award and the agreement shall be as valid and effectual as if they had been made pursuant to this section, and accordingly shall, where necessary, be deemed to have been so made.

“(7) Any consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore other than a new consumer as hereinafter defined may continue until the first day of December, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, to use and pay for electrical energy at the prices being paid by him at the passing of this Act—that is to say, partly at the rates fixed by the Gore tariff as modified by the deeds between the Board and the Mataura Borough Council hereinbefore referred to, and partly at the rates fixed by the Southland tariff in force on the twenty-third day of February, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine.

“(8) Any consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore other than a new consumer may at any time after the passing of this Act elect to adopt in its entirety either the Southland tariff or the Gore tariff, and any consumer who elects to adopt the Gore tariff may subsequently elect to adopt the Southland tariff. If any such consumer does not elect to adopt the Gore tariff before the first day of December, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, he shall be deemed to have elected to adopt the Southland tariff.

“(9) Any new consumer may elect to adopt in its entirety either the Southland tariff or the Gore tariff, but it is hereby declared that no new consumer shall be entitled or be deemed to have at any time heretofore been entitled to select parts of the one tariff, and parts of the other tariff. Any new consumer who has elected or hereafter elects to adopt the Gore tariff may subsequently elect to adopt the Southland tariff.

“(10) When a consumer of electrical energy has elected or is deemed to have elected to adopt the Southland tariff under either of the last two preceding subsections he may not at any time thereafter change to the Gore tariff or, if he is not a new consumer, revert to the prices being paid by him at the passing of this Act.

“(11) In this section, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“‘Gore tariff’ means the terms and conditions of retail supply of electrical energy and the retail prices and minimum charges for electrical energy in operation in the Borough of Gore on the twenty-ninth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven:

“‘Minister’ means the Minister of Public Works:

“‘New consumer’ means a consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore who was connected to the Minister’s supply of electrical energy for the first time after the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and includes every consumer in so far as he is a consumer in respect of premises situated in the borough and connected to the Minister’s supply for the first time after that date:

“‘Southland tariff’ means the terms and conditions of retail supply of electrical energy and the retail prices and minimum charges for electrical energy from time to time in operation under the Minister’s Southland Electric-power Supply Scheme; but does not include any special terms and conditions, retail prices, or minimum charges which may be applicable in the Borough of Gore or in the Borough of Maitāwhiri, or which for any special reason may, after the passing of this Act, be made applicable to any other particular part of the Southland Electric-power District.”

Government House,

Wellington, 4th October, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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.

19. *Finance Bill (No. 2).*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Finance Bill (No. 2);

The Honourable Mr. Nash moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill 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 Thursday morning;

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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.

20. *Postponement of Order of the Day.*—With the leave of the House, *Ordered*, That consideration of Order of the Day No. 4 be postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 5.

21. *Visiting Forces Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Visiting Forces Bill;

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

22. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Finance Bill (No. 2) and the Visiting Forces Bill.

23. *Finance Bill (No. 2):*

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 49 inclusive read and agreed to.

The following new clauses were read a first and a second time and added to the Bill:—

“ 10A. (1) In anticipation of the revenue and other moneys payable into the Social Security Fund, the Minister of Finance may from time to time, without further appropriation than this section, transfer to that fund from the Consolidated Fund such amounts as may in his opinion be required for the purposes of the Social Security Fund.

“ (2) All amounts transferred under this section in any financial year shall, without further appropriation than this section, be retransferred from the Social Security Fund to the Consolidated Fund during that year.

“ 10B. Whereas the Southland Electric-power Board (hereinafter called the Board) entered into an agreement (hereinafter referred to as the agreement) with the Gore Borough Council (hereinafter called the Council) on the thirtieth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, to purchase the Council's electric reticulation system and to supply electrical energy direct to the residents of the Borough of Gore upon the terms and conditions therein set out: And whereas the agreement contained a provision that, in the event of the Board agreeing with any other consumer of electrical energy for the supply thereof at a lower price than that payable under the scale set forth in the agreement, the Board would reduce the charges in respect of electrical energy to the consumers within the borough using a similar quantity of energy for similar purposes under reasonably like circumstances to the same rate as was being charged by the Board to such other consumer: And whereas the Board made deeds of agreement with the Maitua Borough Council, dated respectively the first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, and it was contended that by reason of provisions in those deeds the Board was bound to reduce the prices for electrical energy used by consumers in the Borough of Gore: And whereas

the Board and the Council agreed on the nineteenth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, to refer to an arbitrator the determination of certain questions arising between them: And whereas prior to the arbitration the Southland Electric-Power District was abolished and the Board dissolved pursuant to the provisions of section eight of the Southland Electric-power Supply Act, 1936, and all the rights, liabilities, and engagements of the Board became the rights, liabilities, and engagements of the Crown: And whereas the arbitrator in the matter of the arbitration between the Council and the Minister (as successor to the Board) held that the Minister was bound for a term of fifteen years commencing on the first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, or during such shorter term as the provisions of the Mataura contract might remain in force, not to charge any consumer in the Borough of Gore for any quantity of electrical energy used in the borough more than prices specified in the Mataura contract: And whereas there is still doubt as to the extent to which the Council is entitled to take advantage of the lower charges under the Mataura contract: And whereas it has been mutually agreed between the Council and the Minister that the Minister shall refund to the Gore Borough consumers three-fourths of the amounts computed to be due under the award: And whereas public notice was twice duly given in a newspaper circulating in the district to the Gore Borough consumers to make application for such refunds prior to the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine: And whereas certain refunds have already been made, and it is desirable to validate those refunds and to authorize further refunds to be made: And whereas consumers in the Borough of Gore have since the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, been charged for electrical energy partly in accordance with the charges under the Mataura contract and partly in accordance with the Gore tariff, and it is desirable to preserve the rights of the present consumers: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

“(1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Minister shall, from moneys appropriated by Parliament for the purposes of the Electric Supply Account, refund an amount to be determined as hereinafter mentioned to every person who during the period beginning on the first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and ending on the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, was a consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore and who is entitled to a refund under the said award and the agreement. All refunds made under this section shall be deemed to be expenditure upon working-expenses of the South Island schemes.

“(2) The refunds made under this section shall be deemed to be in full settlement of all the liabilities of the Minister (as successor to the Board) to make refunds under the award and the agreement.

“(3) No refund shall be made under this section unless an application therefor by the consumer or any other person entitled to claim the refund was received at the office of the Minister at Invercargill or at Gore on or before the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine:

“Provided that the Minister may make a refund under this section in respect of any claim received after that date if he is of opinion that there was good reason for omitting to make the claim on or before that date and that the claim has been made within a reasonable time after that date.

“(4) Any refund under this section may be made to the consumer or to any other person entitled to claim the refund. The determination of the Minister as to the amount of any refund and as to the person to whom it is to be made shall be final and conclusive.

“(5) In arriving at the amount of the refund to be paid to or in respect of any consumer, the Minister shall take into account the difference between the amount actually paid by the consumer during the period referred to in subsection one of this section for electrical energy and the amount that the

consumer would have paid had he made the payments on the basis set out in the award; and the amount of the refund shall be three-fourths of that difference.

“(6) All payments made by the Minister before the passing of this Act and purporting to be refunds of moneys due under the award and the agreement shall be as valid and effectual as if they had been made pursuant to this section, and accordingly shall, where necessary, be deemed to have been so made.

“(7) Any consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore other than a new consumer as hereinafter defined may continue until the first day of December, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, to use and pay for electrical energy at the prices being paid by him at the passing of this Act—that is to say, partly at the rates fixed by the Gore tariff as modified by the deeds between the Board and the Mataura Borough Council hereinbefore referred to, and partly at the rates fixed by the Southland tariff in force on the twenty-third day of February, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine.

“(8) Any consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore other than a new consumer may at any time after the passing of this Act elect to adopt in its entirety either the Southland tariff or the Gore tariff, and any consumer who elects to adopt the Gore tariff may subsequently elect to adopt the Southland tariff. If any such consumer does not elect to adopt the Gore tariff before the first day of December, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, he shall be deemed to have elected to adopt the Southland tariff.

“(9) Any new consumer may elect to adopt in its entirety either the Southland tariff or the Gore tariff, but it is hereby declared that no new consumer shall be entitled or be deemed to have at any time heretofore been entitled to select parts of the one tariff, and parts of the other tariff. Any new consumer who has elected or hereafter elects to adopt the Gore tariff may subsequently elect to adopt the Southland tariff.

“(10) When a consumer of electrical energy has elected or is deemed to have elected to adopt the Southland tariff under either of the last two preceding subsections he may not at any time thereafter change to the Gore tariff or, if he is not a new consumer, revert to the prices being paid by him at the passing of this Act.

“(11) In this section, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“‘Gore tariff’ means the terms and conditions of retail supply of electrical energy and the retail prices and minimum charges for electrical energy in operation in the Borough of Gore on the twenty-ninth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven:

“‘Minister’ means the Minister of Public Works:

“‘New consumer’ means a consumer of electrical energy in the Borough of Gore who was connected to the Minister’s supply of electrical energy for the first time after the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and includes every consumer in so far as he is a consumer in respect of premises situated in the borough and connected to the Minister’s supply for the first time after that date:

“‘Southland tariff’ means the terms and conditions of retail supply of electrical energy and the retail prices and minimum charges for electrical energy from time to time in operation under the Minister’s Southland Electric-power Supply Scheme; but does not include any special terms and conditions, retail prices, or minimum charges which may be applicable in the Borough of Gore or in the Borough of Mataura, or which for any special reason may, after the passing of this Act, be made applicable to any other particular part of the Southland Electric-power District.” (*Honourable Mr. Nash.*)

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen 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 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.

24. *Visiting Forces Bill*.—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Visiting Forces 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 with respect to Forces of His Majesty from other Parts of the British Commonwealth or from a Colony when visiting the Dominion of New Zealand, and with respect to the Exercise of Command and Discipline when Forces of His Majesty from Different Parts of the Commonwealth are serving together, and with respect to the Attachment of Members of one such Force to another such Force, and with respect to Deserters from such Forces."

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 eight minutes after two of the clock a.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, adjourned.

Thursday, the 5th Day of October, 1939.

PRAYERS.

1. *Petition*.—A Public Petition was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table. (*Vide* Schedule of Public Petitions.)
2. *Paper*.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
189. Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, Orders in Council under the, making the Telephone Amending Regulations 1939; the Telegraph Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1; the Postal-note Amending Regulations 1939; the Postal Amending Regulations 1939 (No. 1); and the Money-order Amending Regulations 1939.
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 a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Paikea, from the Native Affairs Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
5. *Goldfields and Mines Committee.*—Mr. O'Brien, from the Goldfields and Mines Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
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.
6. *Education Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Carr, from the Education Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Atmore, from the Education Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
7. *Industries and Commerce Committee.*—Mr. Hodgens, from the Industries and Commerce Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Holland, from the Industries and Commerce Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
8. *Public Petitions M to Z Committee.*—The Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Goosman, from the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
9. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Fair Rents Amendment Bill, the Legal Aid Bill, and the Marketing Amendment Bill.
10. *Fair Rents Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Fair Rents Amendment Bill;
Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason 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.
11. *Legal Aid Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the committal of the Legal Aid Bill;
Pursuant to Standing Order 327, the Honourable Mr. Mason moved, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be committed forthwith.
And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed forthwith.
12. *Committal of Bills.*—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Fair Rents Amendment Bill and the Legal Aid Bill.

13. *Fair Rents Amendment Bill:*

(In the Committee.)

The amendments made by the Statutes Revision Committee were, with the unanimous consent of the Committee, read into the Bill.

Clauses 1 and 2 read and agreed to.

Clauses 3 to 6 inclusive struck out by the Statutes Revision Committee.

Clauses 2A, 2B, 2C read and agreed to.

Clause 2D read.

Amendment proposed: In subclause (1) to add the following proviso:—

“ Provided that for the purposes of subsection two of section seven of the principal Act in relation to any application to fix the fair rent of any such premises made not later than three months after the passing of this Act the basic rent of the premises shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of section five of the principal Act as if the words ‘ and before the passing of this Act ’ were omitted from paragraph (b) of subsection one of the said section five.” (*Honourable Mr. Mason.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Another amendment proposed: In subclause (3) to omit the words “ or as on the first day of June, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, whichever is the less ” in lines 43 and 44. (*Honourable Mr. Mason.*)

Amendment agreed to.

Clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 2E read and agreed to.

Clause 7 read and agreed to.

The following new clause was read a first time:—

“ 8. (1) It is hereby declared that regulations may be made under this Act for the purpose of regulating charges in respect of shops and business premises.

“ (2) Regulations made for the purposes of this section may be of general application, or may relate to any specified part or parts of New Zealand or to any specified class or classes of shops and business premises.” (*Reverend Mr. Carr.*)

With the unanimous consent of the Committee, the amendment was withdrawn.

To report the Bill with amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Fair Rents 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 Fair Rents Act, 1936.”

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

14. *Legal Aid Bill.*—Mr. McKeen also reported that the Committee had gone through the Legal Aid 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 Further Provision for Legal Aid to Poor Persons.”

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

15. *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 Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1939, the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act (No. 2), 1939, the Visiting Forces Act, 1939, and the Finance Act (No. 2), 1939, without amendment.

16. *Marketing Amendment Bill.*—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the 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.

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

FRIDAY, THE 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1939.

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

17. *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.

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 Land and Income Tax Act, 1923," with the attached amendments, and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly:—

Clause 3: To insert "(1)" after "3" in line 14; to add the following new subclauses:—

"(2) In the case of persons engaged in any of His Majesty's special Naval, Military, or Air Forces raised in New Zealand in connection with the present war (not being persons who receive annual or permanent salaries as members of any of His Majesty's Forces) the pay and allowances earned by them as members of such special forces shall not be assessable for income-tax.

"(3) If any question arises under this section as to whether any person is engaged in any special force within the meaning of the last preceding subsection it shall be determined by the Minister of Finance, and his decision shall be final."

Clause 13, subclause (5): To omit the words "four hundred pounds" in line 41, and substitute the words "an amount equal to the sum of the assessable income derived by the taxpayer or two hundred pounds (whichever is the less) and the aggregable assessable income derived by his wife or two hundred pounds (whichever is the less)".

Clause 13, subclause (6), paragraph (a): To omit this paragraph, and substitute the following new paragraph:—

"(a) Instead of the special exemption provided for in the case of a taxpayer (being a married man), other than an absentee, by subsection five of this section, the married man shall be entitled to a special exemption of two hundred pounds or the amount of his assessable income (whichever is the less), and his wife shall be entitled to a special exemption of two hundred pounds or the amount of her aggregable assessable income (whichever is the less)."

Clause 16, subclause (7): To omit the words "included in" in line 25 (page 12), and substitute the words "taken into account in computing".

Clause 27, paragraph (b): To insert, after the word "trustee" in line 8 (page 22), the words "is required or"; to omit the words "exercises his discretion" in lines 14 and 15, and substitute the words "so pays or applies income"; to omit the words "in the exercise of that discretion" in lines 18 and 19, and substitute the words "under the trust".

Government House,

Wellington, 5th October, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Land and Income Tax Act, 1923.

18. *Land and Income Tax Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Land and Income Tax Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Nash, *Ordered*, That the amendments be agreed to.

Ordered, That the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Land and Income Tax Amendment Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, together with a Message acquainting them that this House has agreed thereto.

19. *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. 60.

The Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives the draft of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933," and, on His Majesty's behalf, recommends the House to make provision accordingly.

Government House,

Wellington, 5th October, 1939.

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. McKeen reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be considered forthwith.

Mr. McKeen 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 Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933.

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.

20. *Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill.*—The Honourable Mr. Nash, according to Order, presented the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill, which was read a first time, ordered to be read a second time next sitting-day, and to be printed.
21. *Marketing Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Marketing Amendment 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 ordered to be committed forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 8 inclusive read and agreed to.

The following new clause was read a first time:—

“ 9. This Act shall continue in force for the duration of the present war and for twelve months thereafter, and no longer.” (*Honourable Mr. Hamilton.*)

And the Question being put on the second reading, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES 21.

Bodkin
Burnett
Coates
Dickie
Doidge
Endean
Forbes
Goosman

Gordon
Grigg
Hamilton
Hargest
Holland
Jull
Kidd
Macdonald

Massey
Polson
Roy.

Tellers.
Broadfoot
Kyle.

NOES, 37.

Anderton
Armstrong
Barclay
Barrell
Boswell
Coleman
Combs
Cotterill
Cullen
Denham
Fraser
Frost
Hodgens

Hultquist
Jones
Langstone
Lee
Lowry
McMillan
Martin
Meachen
Moncur
Nash
Neilson
Nordmeyer
Osborne

Parry
Petrie
Roberts
Robertson
Semple
Skinner
Thorn
Webb
Williams.

Tellers.
O'Brien
Richards.

So it passed in the Negative.

To report the Bill without amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Marketing 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 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.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit until fifty-two minutes after four of the clock a.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

Friday, the 6th Day of October, 1939.

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. *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. *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.
The Reverend Mr. Carr, from the Local Bills Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
4. *Labour Bills Committee.*—Mr. Chapman, from the Labour 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. Holland, from the Labour Bills Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
5. *Public Accounts Committee.*—Mr. Robertson, 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. Dickie, from the Public Accounts Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.
6. *Lands Committee.*—Mr. Williams, from the Lands Committee, brought up Reports on the Petitions of G. Kirkbride and H. C. Wheeler, a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Boswell, from the Lands Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, 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 Te Ropiha Haweti, a Special Report *re* the Clerk, and a Final Report; and the same were ordered to lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Report of the Public Health Committee on the Petition of Te Ropiha Haweti be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.
Mr. Kyle, from the Public Health Committee, brought up a Special Report *re* the Chairman, and the same was ordered to lie upon the Table.

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. 61.

The Bills intituled—

The New Zealand Library Association Act, 1939,
 The Hutt Road Act, 1939,
 The Small Farms Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation Act, 1939,
 The Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1939,
 The Native Purposes Act, 1939,
 The War Expenses Act, 1939,
 The Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Social Security Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Waikato Airport Act, 1939, and
 The Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act,
 1939,

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, 5th October, 1939.

9. *Urgency claimed under Standing Order 309*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That urgency be accorded the passing of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill.
10. *Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill*.—The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand 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 agreed to the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General in the Bill intituled the Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1939, transmitted in Message No. 47 from the House of Representatives. Also,—
 The Legislative Council has passed the Bills intituled the Fair Rents Amendment Act, 1939, the Legal Aid Act, 1939, and the Marketing Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment. Also,—
 The Legislative Council has passed the Bill intituled the Statutes Amendment Act, 1939, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.
12. *Statutes Amendment Bill*.—*Ordered*, That the amendments proposed by the Legislative Council in the Statutes Amendment Bill be considered forthwith.
 On motion of the Honourable Mr. Mason, *Ordered*, That the amendments 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.

13. *Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill be now read a second time.

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

14. *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. 62.

The Bills intituled—

- The Meat Act, 1939,
- The Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Act, 1939,
- The Local Legislation Act, 1939,
- The Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Act, 1939,
- The Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Act, 1939,
- The Rural Housing Act, 1939,
- The Pharmacy Act, 1939,
- The Land Laws Amendment Act, 1939,
- The Visiting Forces Act, 1939,
- The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act (No. 2), 1939, and
- The Finance Act (No. 2), 1939,

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 October, 1939.

15. *Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Reserve Bank of New Zealand 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.

16. *Papers.*—The following Paper was laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
191. Emergency Regulations Act, 1939, Orders in Council under the, making the Special Force Emergency Regulations 1939; the Patriotic Purposes Emergency Regulations 1939; the Strike and Lockout Emergency Regulations 1939; the Licensing Act Emergency Regulations 1939; and the Enemy Property Emergency Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1.

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

190. Mortgages and Leases, Report on the Adjustment of.

Ordered, That Paper No. 190 be printed.

17. *Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill.*—The House resumed the Interrupted Debate on the Question, That the Reserve Bank of New Zealand 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 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1939.

Mr. Broadfoot moved, seconded by Mr. Burnett, 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 views with grave alarm the Government's proposal to embark on a course of uncontrolled inflation".

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of order as not being relevant to the Bill. (*Vide Hansard*, Vol. 256, page 832.)

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time, the House divided, and the names were taken down as follow:—

AYES, 45.		
Anderton	Hultquist	Parry
Armstrong	Jones	Petrie
Atmore	Langstone	Roberts
Barclay	Lee	Robertson
Barrell	Lowry	Semple
Boswell	McKeen	Skinner
Carr	McMillan	Stewart
Chapman	Martin	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Combs	Moncur	Webb
Cotterill	Munro	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	
Denham	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Frost	Osborne	Richards.
Hodgens	Paika	

NOES, 20.		
Bodkin	Grigg	Massey
Burnett	Hamilton	Polson
Coates	Hargest	Ransom
Cobbe	Holland	Roy.
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Goosman	Kidd	Broadfoot
Gordon	Macdonald	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.

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, 44.		
Anderton	Hodgens	Paika
Armstrong	Hultquist	Parry
Atmore	Jones	Petrie
Barclay	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Boswell	Lowry	Semple
Carr	McMillan	Skinner
Chapman	Martin	Stewart
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Combs	Moncur	Thorn
Cotterill	Munro	Webb
Cullen	Nash	Williams.
Denham	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Frost	Osborne	Richards.

NOES, 20.		
Bodkin	Grigg	Massey
Burnett	Hamilton	Polson
Coates	Hargest	Ransom
Cobbe	Holland	Roy.
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Goosman	Kidd	Broadfoot
Gordon	Macdonald	Kyle.

Clause 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, 44.

Anderton	Hodgens	Paikea
Armstrong	Hultquist	Parry
Atmore	Jones	Petrie
Barclay	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Boswell	Lowry	Semple
Carr	McMillan	Skinner
Chapman	Martin	Stewart
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Combs	Moncur	Thorn
Cotterill	Munro	Webb
Cullen	Nash	Williams.
Denham	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Frost	Osborne	Richards.

NOES, 20.

Bodkin	Grigg	Massey
Burnett	Hamilton	Polson
Coates	Hargest	Ransom
Cobbe	Holland	Roy.
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Goosman	Kidd	Broadfoot
Gordon	Macdonald	Kyle.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 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, 44.

Anderton	Hodgens	Paikea
Armstrong	Hultquist	Parry
Atmore	Jones	Petrie
Barclay	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Boswell	Lowry	Semple
Carr	McMillan	Skinner
Chapman	Martin	Stewart
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Combs	Moncur	Thorn
Cotterill	Munro	Webb
Cullen	Nash	Williams.
Denham	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Frost	Osborne	Richards.

NOES, 20.

Bodkin	Grigg	Massey
Burnett	Hamilton	Polson
Coates	Hargest	Ransom
Cobbe	Holland	Roy.
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Goosman	Kidd	Broadfoot
Gordon	Macdonald	Kyle.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 4 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, 44.

Anderton	Hodgens	Paikea
Armstrong	Hultquist	Parry
Atmore	Jones	Petrie
Barclay	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Boswell	Lowry	Semple
Carr	McMillan	Skinner
Chapman	Martin	Stewart
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Combs	Moncur	Thorn
Cotterill	Munro	Webb
Cullen	Nash	Williams.
Denham	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Frost	Osborne	Richards.

NOES, 21.

Bodkin	Grigg	Polson
Burnett	Hamilton	Ransom
Coates	Hargest	Roy.
Cobbe	Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Doidge	Jull	Broadfoot
Endean	Kidd	Kyle.
Goosman	Macdonald	
Gordon	Massey	

Clause agreed to.

Clause 5 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, 44.

Anderton	Hodgens	Paikea
Armstrong	Hultquist	Parry
Atmore	Jones	Petrie
Barclay	Langstone	Roberts
Barrell	Lee	Robertson
Boswell	Lowry	Semple
Carr	McMillan	Skinner
Chapman	Martin	Stewart
Coleman	Mason	Sullivan
Combs	Moncur	Thorn
Cotterill	Munro	Webb
Cullen	Nash	Williams.
Denham	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Frost	Osborne	Richards.

NOES, 21.

Bodkin	Grigg	Polson
Burnett	Hamilton	Ransom
Coates	Hargest	Roy.
Cobbe	Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Doidge	Jull	Broadfoot
Endean	Kidd	Kyle.
Goosman	Macdonald	
Gordon	Massey	

Clause agreed to.

To report the Bill without amendment.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. McKeen reported that the Committee had gone through the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Bill and had directed him to report the same without any amendment.

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

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

AYES, 45.

Anderton	Hultquist	Parry
Armstrong	Jones	Petrie
Atmore	Langstone	Roberts
Barclay	Lee	Robertson
Barrell	Lowry	Semple
Boswell	McKeen	Skinner
Carr	McMillan	Stewart
Chapman	Martin	Sullivan
Coleman	Mason	Thorn
Combs	Moncur	Webb
Cotterill	Munro	Williams.
Cullen	Nash	
Denham	Neilson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Fraser	Nordmeyer	O'Brien
Frost	Osborne	Richards.
Hodgens	Paikea	

NOES, 21.

Bodkin	Grigg	Polson
Burnett	Hamilton	Ransom
Coates	Hargest	Roy.
Cobbe	Holland	
Doidge	Jull	<i>Tellers.</i>
Endean	Kidd	Broadfoot
Goosman	Macdonald	Kyle.
Gordon	Massey	

So 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 amend the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933."

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 one minute after eight of the clock a.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 eleven of the clock a.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

18. *Order of Business*.—With the leave of the House, Order of Business No. 4 was taken.

19. *Deposits in Post Office Savings-bank by Children, Particulars relating to*.—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Hamilton (for Mr. Wilkinson) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The number of agents employed by the Government to go into schools and address children on the value of the Post Office Savings-bank, and to induce them to put their pennies there; (2) the total amount of salary paid to such agents; (3) the amount of money contributed by the children up to a convenient period date.

20. *Unimproved Value of Land: Return of Landowners under certain Categories.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser (for Mr. Chapman), *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The number of landowners in the Dominion holding land of an unimproved value of less than £500 (the exemption-limit); (2) the number holding land of the value of £501 to £3,000; (3) the number holding land valued from £3,001 to £10,000; (4) the number holding land valued from £10,001 to £50,000; and (5) the number holding land above the value of £50,000.
21. *Number of Persons employed by Government Departments whose Total Wages are not paid by such Department, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Holland, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The average number of persons employed on the railways for each month since January, 1936, whose entire wages are not paid by the Railway Department, and (2) the total amount of wages paid to such persons for each financial year ended 31st March, 1937, 1938, and 1939, by (a) the Railway Department and (b) all other Government Departments.
22. *Public Works Department: Amount owing on Works and Buildings as at 31st March, 1939, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the total amount owing by the Public Works Department on works and buildings as at 31st March, 1939.
23. *Construction and Maintenance of State and Main Highways, Cost of, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Hamilton (for Mr. Jull), *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing separately the amount paid by the State in construction and maintenance of State highways for the years 1936–37, 1937–38, and 1938–39, also the amount expended by the State in construction and maintenance of main highways for the same periods.
24. *Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936: Adjustments under Act in respect to Mortgages held by State Advances Corporation, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Massey, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The number of adjustments made under the Mortgagors Final Adjustment Act in respect to mortgages held by the State Advances Corporation during the year ended 31st March, 1939; (2) the number of adjustments included in (1) in respect to farm mortgages; (3) the number of adjustments included in (1) in respect to mortgages held on house property; (4) the number of applications for loans on farm securities, and the number of applications granted; (5) the number of applications for loans for houses, and the number of applications granted; (6) also, in respect of each of the foregoing, the numbers for the period from 1st April, 1939, to 30th June, 1939.
25. *Stoppages of Work through Strikes between 1936 and 1939, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Holland, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The number of the 189 strikes that occurred between 1st January, 1936, and 31st March, 1939, that were illegal strikes; (2) the number of cases of an illegal strike in which legal proceedings were taken against the offending parties; (3) the total amount of fines inflicted and collected in cases where convictions were obtained.
26. *Losses on Working of Railway-lines, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Kyle, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing particulars of those railways on which there is an annual loss in working, such Return to give the name of each such railway and the loss in respect thereto.

27. *Payments made to Medical Practitioners by the Crown, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Boswell, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—(1) The number of medical practitioners who received payments from the Crown during the year ending 31st March, 1939; (2) the respective amounts so paid; and (3) the names of the doctors to whom these amounts were paid.
28. *Small Farms (Relief of Unemployment) Act, 1932-33: Development of Land under, Particulars relating to.*—On motion of Mr. Broadfoot, *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, at this date—(1) The blocks which have been fully developed and also those which are in course of development under the Small Farms (Relief of Unemployment) Act, 1932-33; (2) the date when the blocks were gazetted or acquired, the areas gazetted and the areas developed, the areas occupied by settlers, and the number of additional labourers (including bureaux workers) working on each block; (3) the live-stock tallies, receipts (excluding employment grants) and employment-promotion subsidies paid in connection with each block; (4) the amount of such employment-promotion subsidies loaded on to each block; (5) the total expenditure of other Government funds on the development and stocking of each block; and (6) the number of titles issued to settlers on each block up to the present date, and the number likely to be issued in the near future.
29. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, motions in regard to the setting-up of certain special Committees were taken.
30. *Industrial Development Committee (Recess).*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Webb, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of thirteen members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government affecting industrial conditions and relationships, including those of workers and employers, the operation of industrial awards and agreements, the organizing, training, and effective utilizing of workers for industry generally, the health amenities and general advancement of such workers, the promotion of industrial co-operation in the interests of the country during the present crisis, and the general efficiency of the operation of industrial processes; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament: the Committee to consist of Mr. Atmore, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Chapman, the Honourable Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Endean, Mr. Goosman, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Munro, the Reverend Mr. Nordmeyer, Mrs. Stewart, Mr. Thorn, and the Mover.
31. *Defence Committee (Recess).*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Jones, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of thirteen members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government relating to the camp accommodation, comfort, amenities, recreation, and general welfare of the men of the Special Force, and, in addition, to consider any matters affecting the defence measures of the Dominion which may be referred to it by the Government; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderton, the Honourable Mr. Barnard, the Right Honourable Mr. Coates, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Frost, Mr. Grigg, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Roy, Mr. Tirikatene, and the Mover.

32. *Native Affairs Committee (Recess).*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Langstone, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of twelve members, to consider all matters relating to the economic progress and development, land, settlement, health, housing, and general welfare of the Maori race which may be referred to it by the House or the Government; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament: the Committee to consist of Mr. Broadfoot, the Reverend Mr. Carr, Mr. Denham, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Moncur, the Honourable Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Paikea, Mr. Ratana, Mr. Tirikatene, and the Mover.
33. *Industries and Commerce Committee (Recess).*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Sullivan, *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of twelve members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government relating to factory and secondary production, the establishment of new industries, the best means by which production may be increased, and the welfare of those engaged in secondary industry; that the Committee have power to 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barrell, Mr. Doidge, Mr. Hodgins, Mr. Holland, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover.
34. *Primary-production Committee (Recess).*—On motion of Mr. O'Brien (for the Honourable Mr. Lee Martin), *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting, by leave, of thirteen members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or the Government relating to primary production, such increase in primary products as may be possible, the organizing, training, and effective utilizing of the workers required on farms and other branches of primary production, the conditions of employment and opportunities of advancement of such workers, and any matters relating to the efficiency of primary industry and the welfare of primary producers generally; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament: the Committee to consist of Mr. Barelay, Mr. Boswell, Mr. Denham, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Kyle, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Massey, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Polson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams, and the Mover.

35. *Order of Business.*—With the leave of the House, Order of Business No. 7 was again taken.
36. *Papers.*—The following Papers were laid upon the Table pursuant to Act:—
 192. Rural Intermediate Credit Board, Report of the, for Year ended 30th June, 1939. B.-14.
 193. Rural Intermediate Credit Board, Statement of Accounts for Year ended 30th June, 1939.
Ordered, That Paper No. 192 be printed.
37. *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 Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment.
38. *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. 63.

The Bills intituled—

The Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Statutes Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Marketing Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Act, 1939,
 The Legal Aid Act, 1939, and
 The Fair Rents Amendment Act, 1939,

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, 1939.

39. *Adjournment of the House (Special).*—On motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, *Ordered*, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until the hour of half after two of the clock p.m. on Thursday, the 8th day of February next, 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.

And then the House, having continued to sit until ten minutes after twelve of the clock p.m., on motion of the Honourable Mr. Fraser, adjourned.

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SCHEDULE OF PROCLAMATIONS.

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 twenty-fifth day of the month of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you: GREETING.

WHEREAS the Meeting of the General Assembly stands prorogued to the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine: Nevertheless, for certain causes and considerations I have thought fit further to prorogue the same to Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of the month of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, so that neither you nor any of you, on the said twenty-fifth day of May, 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 Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of the month of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, 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 23rd day of May, 1939.

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 sixteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and forty, 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 1st day of February, 1940.

W. E. PARRY, Minister of Internal Affairs.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

LIST OF MEMBERS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NEW ZEALAND.

FIRST SESSION—TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT—1939.

SPEAKER—HON. WILLIAM EDWARD BARNARD.

NAME.	ELECTORAL DISTRICT.
ALLEN, JOHN MANCHESTER	Hauraki.
ANDERTON, WILLIAM THEOPHILUS	Eden.
ARMSTRONG, HOB. HUBERT THOMAS	Christchurch East.
ATMORE, HARRY	Nelson.
BARCLAY, JAMES GILLISPIE	Marsden.
BARNARD, HON. WILLIAM EDWARD	Napier.
BARRELL, CHARLES ABRAHAM	Hamilton.
BODKIN, WILLIAM ALEXANDER	Central Otago.
BOSWELL, CHARLES WALLACE	Bay of Islands.
BROADFOOT, WALTER JAMES	Waitomo.
BURNETT, THOMAS DAVID	Temuka.
CARR, REV. CLYDE LEONARD	Timaru.
CHAPMAN, CHARLES HENRY	Wellington North.
COATES, Right Hon. JOSEPH GORDON	Kaipara.
COBBE, HON. JOHN GEORGE	Manawatu.
COLEMAN, DAVID WILLIAM	Gisborne.
COMBS, HARRY ERNEST	Wellington Suburbs.
COTTERILL, JOSEPH BERNARD FRANCIS	Wanganui.
CULLEN, EDWARD LUTTERELL	Hawke's Bay.
DENHAM, WILLIAM MORTIMER CLARENCE	Invercargill.
DICKIE, HAROLD GALT	Patea.
DOIDGE, FREDERICK WIDDOWSON	Tauranga.
ENDREAN, WILLIAM PHILLIPS	Remuera.
FORBES, Right Hon. GEORGE WILLIAM	Hurunui.
FRASER, HON. PETER	Wellington Central.
FROST, FREDERICK LEDGER	New Plymouth.
GOOSMAN, WILLIAM STANLEY	Waikato.
GORDON, EDWARD BRICE KILLEN	Rangitikei.
GRIGG, ARTHUR NATTLE	Mid-Canterbury.
HAMILTON, HON. ADAM	Wallace.
HARGEST, Col. JAMES	Awarua.
HODGENS, JOSEPH	Palmerston North.
HOLLAND, SIDNEY GEORGE	Christchurch North.
HULTQUIST, AXEL GORDON	Bay of Plenty.
JONES, HON. FREDERICK	Dunedin South.
JULL, ALBERT EDWARD	Waipawa.
KIDD, DAVID CAMPBELL	Waitaki.

NAME.	ELECTORAL DISTRICT.
KYLE, HERBERT SETON STEWART	Riccarton.
LANGSTONE, HOR. FRANK	Waimarino.
LEE, JOHN ALEXANDER	Grey Lynn.
LOWRY, LEONARD GEORGE	Otaki.
LYON, WILLIAM JOHN	Waitemata.
McCOMBS, TERENCE HENDERSON	Lyttelton.
MACDONALD, THOMAS LACHLAN	Mataura.
MACFARLANE, ROBERT MAPEKING	Christchurch South.
McKEEN, ROBERT	Wellington South.
McMILLAN, DR. DAVID GERVAN	Dunedin West.
MARTIN, HOR. WILLIAM LEE	Raglan.
MASON, HOR. HENRY GREATHEAD REX	Auckland Suburbs.
MASSEY, JOHN NORMAN	Franklin.
MEACHEN, EDWIN PURCELL	Marlborough.
MONCUB, ALEXANDER FRANCIS	Rotorua.
MUNRO, JAMES WRIGHT	Dunedin North.
NASH, HOR. WALTER	Hutt.
NEILSON, PETER	Dunedin Central.
NGATA, HOR. SIR APIRANA TURUPU, Kt.	Eastern Maori.
NORDMEYER, REV. ARNOLD HENRY	Oamaru.
O'BRIEN, JAMES	Westland.
OSBORNE, ARTHUR GEORGE	Onehunga.
PAIKEA, PARAIRE KARAKA	Northern Maori.
PARRY, HOR. WILLIAM EDWARD	Auckland Central.
PETRIE, CHARLES ROBERT	Otahuhu.
POLSON, WILLIAM JOHN	Stratford.
RANSOM, HOR. 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.
SAVAGE, Right HOR. MICHAEL JOSEPH	Auckland West.
SCHRAMM, FREDERICK WILLIAM	Auckland East.
SEMPLE, HOR. ROBERT	Wellington East.
SKINNER, CLARENCE FARRINGTON	Motueka.
STEWART, MRS. CATHERINE CAMPBELL SWORD	Wellington West.
SULLIVAN, HOR. DANIEL GILES	Avon.
THORN, JAMES	Thames.
TIRIKATENE, ERUERA TIHEMA	Southern Maori.
WEBB, HOR. PATRICK CHARLES	Buller.
WILKINSON, CHARLES ANDERSON	Egmont.
WILLIAMS, CHARLES MORGAN	Kaiapoi.

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.
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 ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
95. Atarangi Tukino	Sept. 6, 1938	For relief <i>in re</i> the will of Potene Tuhiwai, deceased	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs (direct)	Held over.
108. Badham, E. D. C., and 491 others	Sept. 8, 1938	That the Government undertake the construction of an access road to Karekare	492	Hon. Mr. Mason ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 14, 1939.
3. Barr, G. W., and 3 others ..	June 28, 1938	That provision be made for the re-roofing of their residences, and that their mortgage liabilities due to the Crown be reduced	4	Mr. Robertson ..	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Aug. 31, 1939.
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.
96. Brown, R., 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.
89. Davies, Alma B.	Aug. 31, 1938	For compensation for loss of salary through alleged wrongful dismissal from the Education service, and for reinstatement in the service	1	Mr. Lyon ..	Education	Sept. 20, 1939.
103. Flaunty, C. A.	Sept. 7, 1938	For an increase in the amount granted as a compassionate payment, arising out of the death of his son	1	Hon. Mr. Semple ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 5, 1939.
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.
166. Hamiora Tuhaka	Mar. 4, 1938	For a reconsideration of a certain trusteeship order	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
118. Hata, Tuahine	Sept. 16, 1938	For relief <i>in re</i> Tutera Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
150. Hata Tipoki and 15 others ..	Dec. 7, 1937	For relief <i>in re</i> Tutaeakuri No. 1 Block	16	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
57. Haweti, Te Ropiha	Aug. 2, 1938	For inquiry into alleged unskilful treatment of his son while a patient in Waiki Hospital	1	Mr. Richards ..	Public Health ..	Oct. 6, 1939.
111. Hoani Meihana	Sept. 14, 1938	That legislation be enacted granting the right of appeal in connection with the Whakapuaka Block	1	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
114. Hoani Meihana	Sept. 14, 1938	For the removal from the Land Register of certain caveats affecting the succession to Heta Tukuru, deceased	1	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
81. Hone, Paneta, and 4 others ..	Aug. 23, 1938	That the Native Land Court be empowered to reinvestigate the succession to Te Koko, deceased, in Tautitaha and other blocks	5	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
310. Hone Poputene and 121 others	Oct. 28, 1936	That the Native Land Court be empowered to re-investigate the title to Mangahauini Block	122	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
44. Hoone P. Tukariri and 3 others	July 19, 1938	For improvements to the bridge over the Kenana River ..	4	Right Hon. Mr. Coates, for Mr. Henare	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.
51. Kahuaterangi, Maaka Rapana te and 2 others	Sept. 28, 1937	For reinvestigation of the succession to the landed interests of Hoani Pahi or Piripiri, deceased	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

SCHEDULE OF PETITIONS HELD OVER, ETC.—continued.

FROM WHOM PRESENTED.	DATE OF PRESENTATION.	ABSTRACT OF PRAYER.	NO. OF SIGNATURES.	BY WHOM PRESENTED.	COMMITTEE REFERRED TO.	DATE OF REPORT.
300. Karaka, Wiremu and another ..	Oct. 28, 1936	For relief in re Ruangarehu Block	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
82. Karauria Ruru and 2 others ..	Aug. 23, 1938	For relief in re Mangatu Nos. 1 and 4 Blocks	3	Mr. Hultquist ..	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.
115. Kauika, Mae, and 51 others ..	Sept. 14, 1938	For relief in re Maungaporau Block	52	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
60. Keita Kalkiri Kohere and 15 others	Aug. 3, 1938	For a rehearing of their claim in re the ownership of Patutahi Block	16	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	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. Kihī 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.
7. Kilbride, Mary A., and another	June 29, 1938	For a transfer of the title to certain land at Southbridge ..	2	Mr. Herring ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 21, 1939.
60. Kohere, Keita Kalkiri, and 15 others	Aug. 3, 1938	For a rehearing of their claim in re the ownership of Patutahi Block	16	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
110. Kyle, R. A., and 30 others ..	Sept. 13, 1938	For protection from erosion caused by the Tukituki River ..	31	Mr. Christie ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 14, 1939.
94. Lou W. Parore, and 5 others ..	Sept. 2, 1938	For the re-enactment of section 390 of the Native Land Act, 1909, and for the enactment of such other measures as will ensure the inalienation of Maori burial-grounds and villages	6	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
116. Lou Parore	Sept. 15, 1938	For cancellation of orders respecting the interests of Mere Pawa, deceased	1	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
51. Maaka Rapana te Kahuaterangi and 2 others	Sept. 28, 1937	For reinvestigation of the succession to the landed interests of Hosni Pani or Piripiri, deceased	3	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
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	Sept. 27, 1939.
93. McCormick, J., and 58 others ..	Sept. 1, 1938	For assistance in connection with the damage done to their properties by the excessive flow of water from Te Aute Lake	59	Mr. Cullen ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 16, 1939.
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	Messrs. Bodkin and Roy	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
115. Mae Kauika and 51 others ..	Sept. 14, 1938	For relief in re Maungaporau Block	52	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
98. Mafeking Pere	Sept. 6, 1938	That the existing terms of the Wi Pere Trust be not varied ..	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
83. Malome, F.	Aug. 23, 1938	For inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the alleged wrongful arrest and conviction of his son	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 16, 1939.
96. Marriner, G.	Sept. 6, 1938	For inquiry into his claim for compensation in respect of the Opunake Block	1	Mr. Smith ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
97. Marriner, G., and another ..	Sept. 6, 1938	For inquiry into the ownership of certain lands at Hokianga ..	2	Right Hon. Mr. Coates (for Mr. Henare)	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
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.
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	Sept. 27, 1939.

SCHEDULE OF PETITIONS HELD OVER, ETC.—continued.

FROM WHOM PRESENTED.	DATE OF PRESENTATION.	ABSTRACT OF PRAYER.	NO. OF SIGNATURES.	BY WHOM PRESENTED.	COMMITTEE REFERRED TO.	DAYS OF REPORT.
101. Mason, J.	Sept. 7, 1938	For a variation of an allotment order in respect of areas in land in the Bruce Bay and Karangarua Survey Districts	1	Hon. Mr. Webb ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
86. Matich, M.	Aug. 26, 1938	For payment of the sum of £228 12s. 7d. for goods supplied to Native workers engaged on the Pouto development scheme	1	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
111. Meihana, Hoani	Sept. 14, 1938	That legislation be enacted granting the right of appeal in connection with the Whakapuaka Block	1	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
114. Meihana, Hoani	Sept. 14, 1938	For the removal from the Land Register of certain caveats affecting the succession to Heta Takirau, deceased	1	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
100. Merepere, Tote, and 77 others	Mar. 2 1938	For inquiry <i>in re</i> Tuwharetoa Trust Board	78	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 27, 1939.
5. Mirams, Doris M., and 14 others	June 28, 1938	For inquiry into the penal system of New Zealand	15	Rev. Mr. Carr ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 27, 1939.
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. Moreere 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 ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
56. Moreere Whatitiri and 74 others	Sept. 29, 1937	For restoration of their right to the canoe landing place at Te Tuts, and other relief	75	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 21, 1939.
102. Moyuahan, J.	Sept. 7, 1938	For an inquiry into the circumstances of the purchase and loss of his farm	1	Mr. Lyon ..	Lands	Sept. 12, 1939.
23. Nuku Tarawhiti and 31 others	July 8, 1938	For relief <i>in re</i> Taranaki Maori Trust Board	32	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
76. O'Brien, L. W.	Aug. 18, 1938	That he be provided with light work at an adequate remuneration, or other relief, owing to inability to resume his former occupation on account of injuries sustained while engaged on road-construction works	1	Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. Thorn)	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
117. Olliver, Ella E. A.	Sept. 15, 1938	That she be granted a compassionate allowance on account of the death of her husband, allegedly caused during the performance of his duties as a Radio Inspector	1	Mr. Holland ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Withdrawn, Aug. 16, 1939.
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.
81. Paneta Hone and 4 others ..	Aug. 23, 1938	That the Native Land Court be empowered to reinvestigate the succession to Te Koko, deceased in Tautitaha and other blocks	5	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 Raihi's will	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
68. Parapara, Rangiherea, and 5 others	April 16, 1936	For relief <i>in re</i> Te Whetumatarau Block	6	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
110. Parata, Kihī, 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.
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.
94. Parore, Lou W., and 5 others ..	Sept. 2, 1938	For the re-enactment of section 359 of the Native Land Act, 1909, and for the enactment of such other measures as will ensure the inalienation of Maori burial-grounds and villages	6	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.

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116. Parore, Lou	Sept. 15, 1938	For cancellation of orders respecting the interests of Mere Pawa, deceased	1	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
168. Pene, Te Hariwaka, 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 ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
98. Pere, Mafeking	Sept. 6, 1938	That the existing terms of the Wi Pere Trust be not varied ..	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
112. Pire, Rangihuna, and 23 others	Sept. 14, 1938	That they be granted the title to certain reserves in the Province of Taranaki	24	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
310. Poputene, Hone, and 121 others	Oct. 28, 1936	That the Native Land Court be empowered to reinvestigate the title to Mangahauni Block	122	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
89. Poolgrain, Amelia, and 19 others	Oct. 19, 1937	For relief in re Mangatu No. 1 Block	20	Hon. Mr. Langstone	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
75. Puhipuhi, Kawiri Raroa, and 40 others	Aug. 17, 1938	For a reinvestigation of the title to Mangahauni Block ..	41	Mr. Hultquist ..	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.
112. Rangihuna Pire and 23 others ..	Sept. 14, 1938	That they be granted the title to certain reserves in the Province of Taranaki	24	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
25. Rangirere Tenaense and 58 others	July 8, 1938	For relief in re Taumatamaire Block	59	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
18. Rangi Tuamui Tamihana and 38 others	July 5, 1938	For relief in re Tuhitarata, Turanganui, and Poraka Blocks ..	39	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
239. Ratana, Tahspotiki Wiremu ..	Nov. 25, 1932	That the Treaty of Waitangi be embodied in the statute-book	1	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
75. Kawiri Raroa Puhipuhi and 40 others	Aug. 17, 1938	For a reinvestigation of the title to Mangahauni Block ..	41	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
135. Read, I. A.	Nov. 24, 1937	For compensation for loss allegedly sustained in connection with the establishment of a casino-factory at Port Albert	1	Right Hon. Mr. Coates	Agricultural and Pastoral	Held over.
113. Reweti, James Raihe, and another	Sept. 14, 1938	For inquiry into the ownership of the Whaiti-Kurau Block ..	2	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Aug. 18, 1939.
82. Ruru, Karauria, and 2 others ..	Aug. 23, 1938	For relief in re Mangatu Nos. 1 and 4 Blocks	3	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
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	Sept. 27, 1939.
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	Sept. 27, 1939.
90. Schmidt, H., and 23 others ..	Aug. 31, 1938	For amendment of the Fair Rents Act, 1936, to provide for the extension of its provisions to include business premises	24	Mr. Richards ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 27, 1939; referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 27, 1939; Report, Oct. 4, 1939.
109. Stewart, A. J.	Sept. 13, 1938	For full military pension with retrospective effect or other relief ..	1	Mr. Atmore ..	Defence ..	Aug. 15, 1939.
18. Tamihana, Rangi Tuamui, and 38 others	July 5, 1938	For relief in re Tuhitarata, Turanganui, and Poraka Blocks ..	39	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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23. Tarkwhiti, Nuku, and 31 others	July 8, 1938	For relief in re Taranaki Maori Trust Board	32	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
312. Tareha, Te Roera, and another	Oct. 29, 1936	For the return of Tatarā-a-Kina Block to the original owners, or for compensation in lieu thereof	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
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.
175. Te Hekenui Whakarake and another	Mar. 9, 1938	For inquiry in re Raoromouku 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 ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
23. Temaense Rangirere, and 58 others	July 8, 1938	For relief in re Taumatamaire Block	59	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
173. Teoti Timoti Kareta and 20 others	Mar. 9, 1938	For inquiry in re Otakou Block	21	Mr. Tirikatene ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
312. Te Roera Tareha and another ..	Oct. 29, 1936	For the return of Tatarā-a-Kina Block to the original owners, or for compensation in lieu thereof	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
57. Te Ropaha Haweti	Aug. 2, 1938	For inquiry into alleged unskillful treatment of his son while a patient in Waihi Hospital	1	Mr. Richards ..	Public Health ..	Oct. 6, 1939.
160. Tete Meremere and 77 others ..	Mar. 2, 1938	For inquiry in re Tuwharetoa Trust Board	78	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 27, 1939.
150. Tipoki, Hata, and 15 others ..	Dec. 7, 1937	For relief in re Tutaekeuri No. 1 Block	16	Mr. Cullen ..	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	Sept. 27, 1939.
118. Tuahine Hata	Sept. 16, 1938	For relief in re Tutera Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
166. Tuhaka, Hamiora	Mar. 4, 1938	For a reconsideration of a certain trusteeship order	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
44. Tukariri, Hoese P., and 3 others	July 19, 1938	For improvements to the bridge over the Kenana River ..	4	Right Hon. Mr. Coates, for Mr. Henare	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
95. Tukino, Atarangi	Sept. 6, 1938	For relief in re the will of Potene Tuhawai, deceased	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs (direct)	Held over.
46. Tukumarū Webber and 8 others	July 19, 1938	For relief in re the will of Hemi Matenga, deceased	9	Mr. O'Brien ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
29. Tume, Wirema, and 13 others ..	July 8, 1938	For relief in re Ngatimaru Block	14	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
63. Vaile, E. E... ..	Aug. 10, 1938	That effect be given to previous reports and recommendations regarding the construction of a railway between Rotorna and Taupo	1	Mr. Moncur ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 31, 1939.
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	Withdrawn, Sept. 30, 1939.
46. Webber, Tukumarū, and 8 others	July 19, 1938	For relief in re the will of Hemi Matenga, deceased	9	Mr. O'Brien ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
175. Whakarake, Te Hekenui, and another	Mar. 9, 1938	For inquiry in re Raoromouku and Putaiti-Mangapukatea Blocks	2	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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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 ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
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 ..	Sept. 21, 1939.
88. Whitsey, C. A., and 88 others ..	Aug. 30, 1938	That effect be given to previous reports and recommendations regarding the construction of a railway between Rotorua and Taupo	89	Mr. Moncur ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 31, 1939.
107. Wilson, T.	Sept. 8, 1938	For additional compensation in respect of an accident sustained while in the employ of the Public Works Department	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Labour Bills.. ..	Sept. 27, 1939.
309. Wiremu Karaka and another ..	Oct. 28, 1936	For relief in re Ruangarehu Block	2	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
29. Wiremu Tume and 13 others ..	July 8, 1938	For relief in re Ngatimaru Block	14	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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37. Adams, Elizabeth, and 2 others	Aug. 3, 1939	For a compassionate grant on account of loss sustained by fire..	3	Mr. Chapman ..	Public Petitions A to L	Aug. 31, 1939.
31. Aubrey Gualter and Co., and 2,069 others	July 26, 1939	That certain premises be not brought under the Fair Rents Act, 1936	2,070	Mr. Eudean ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 27, 1939; referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 27, 1939; report, Oct. 4, 1939.
30. Barker, A. J., and 10 others ..	July 20, 1939	For assistance in the matter of the drainage of certain lands in Oteramika Hundred, Southland	11	Mr. Macdonald ..	Lands	Sept. 28, 1939.
2. Beattie, Margaret	June 28, 1939	That she be granted a widow's pension	1	Dr. McMillan ..	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Aug. 31, 1939.
7. Beer, J. A., and another ..	June 29, 1939	For the release of their daughter from the Sunnyside Mental Hospital	2	Mr. Denham ..	Health	Sept. 13, 1939.
40. Bowen, F. S., and 8 others ..	Aug. 8, 1939	For the revival of an Adjustment Commission set up under the provisions of the Mortgagees and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936, for the purpose of making further adjustments in certain stock accounts	9	Mr. Hultquist (for Mr. Coleman)	Lands	Sept. 12, 1939.
71. Chick, W. V.	Oct. 6, 1939	For additional compensation on account of injuries sustained while handling cargo on the Wellington wharves	1	Mrs. Stewart ..	Labour Bills ..	Held over.
4. Cooper, W. S.	June 28, 1939	For reinstatement in the Public Service	1	Mr. McKeen ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 5, 1939.
13. Cowan, J. T.	June 30, 1939	That he be granted an annual allowance or a compassionate grant for long service in the Police Force	1	Mr. Massey ..	Public Petitions A to L	Aug. 31, 1939.
12. Cox, N. R. A.	June 29, 1939	For the provision of better shipping facilities between New Zealand and the Chatham Islands, and for other relief	1	Mr. McCombs ..	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
67. Curran, J. E.	Sept. 27, 1939	For redress on account of alleged wrongful arrest and imprisonment	1	Mr. Richards ..	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
21. Davies, Alma B.	July 7, 1939	For compensation for alleged wrongful dismissal from the Education Service	1	Mr. Lyon ..	Education	Sept. 20, 1939.
46. Erina Whakarau and 87 others	Aug. 16, 1939	That the Native Land Court be empowered to reinvestigate the title to the Pukepuke Lake Reserve	88	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 5, 1939.
49. Evans, S. W. R., and 76 others	Aug. 22, 1939	For a reduction of the term of imprisonment imposed on Douglas Baker	77	Mr. Hodgens ..	Public Petitions A to L	Held over.
20. Foster, Atholstan	July 6, 1939	For investigation of the circumstances surrounding the disposal of an estate under the will of Alfred Wells, deceased	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 14, 1939.
18. Gaukrodger, G.	July 4, 1939	For the urgent passing of legislation making effective the grant of probate <i>in re</i> the will of William O'Meara, deceased	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Native Affairs ..	Aug. 18, 1939.
60. Gray, T.	Sept. 13, 1939	For compensation on account of inability to obtain redress for financial loss allegedly sustained	1	Hon. Mr. Fraser ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 21, 1939.
31. Gualter, Aubrey, and Co., and 2,069 others	July 26, 1939	That certain premises be not brought under the Fair Rents Act, 1936	2,070	Mr. Eudean ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 27, 1939; referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 27, 1939; report, Oct. 4, 1939.
42. Hall, A. G.	Aug. 10, 1939	For compensation on account of alleged miscarriage of justice	1	Mr. Lyon ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 21, 1939.
48. Hamahora Pohatu and 115 others	Aug. 17, 1939	That the lands of Ngai Tamamuhiri—namely, Te Kuri, Tangotete, Pakowhai, and other blocks—be removed from the control of the East Coast Trust Lands Commissioner	116	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.

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27. Hape, Te Rauna, and 11 others	July 18, 1939	For the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the ownership of the Rakaukaka Block	12	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
28. Hape, Te Rauna, and 72 others	July 18, 1939	For a reconsideration of their claim to the ownership of the Aorangī Block	73	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
14. Harrop, G., and another ..	June 30, 1939	That they be permitted to adopt a child now under the control of the Child Welfare Department	2	Mr. Wilkinson ..	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Sept. 14, 1939.
33. Hata Tipoki and 15 others ..	July 27, 1939	For relief <i>in re</i> Tutakuri No. 1 Block	16	Mr. Cullen ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
1. Hill, S. E., and another ..	June 28, 1939	For an inquiry into certain adoption proceedings, and for compensation	2	Mr. Frost ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 28, 1939.
15. Hirschberg, G. A.	July 4, 1939	For further inquiry into his claim to the lease of Longbush ..	1	Mr. Roberts ..	Native Affairs ..	Sept. 13, 1939.
36. Hoera Paratene and 4 others ..	Aug. 2, 1939	For inquiry <i>in re</i> the estate of Tei-tei Hoera	5	Mr. Ratana ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
19. Hollis, S. H.	July 6, 1939	For compensation for injuries allegedly received whilst employed by the Public Works Department	1	Mr. Frost ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 12, 1939.
22. Jenks, G.	July 11, 1939	For compensation for reduction of superannuation owing to enforced early retirement from the Post and Telegraph Department under the provisions of the Finance Act, 1931, and for other relief	1	Mr. Anderton ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 12, 1939.
8. Johnson, Margaret G. ..	June 29, 1939	For compensation on account of the death of her husband, allegedly arising out of his service with the Army	1	Mr. Denham ..	Defence	Aug. 15, 1939.
59. Kingi, Reremoana	Sept. 13, 1939	For a rehearing of his claim in connection with the will of Te Paea Ahipene, deceased	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
41. Kirkbride, G.	Aug. 10, 1939	For compensation for loss allegedly sustained through being deprived of access to his farm, and for other relief	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Lands	Oct. 6, 1939.
43. Kirkbride, G.	Aug. 15, 1939	For payment of the sum of £88 14s. 4d., being the balance of an amount twice paid for work carried out under an unemployment-relief scheme, together with Court costs in connection therewith	1	Mr. Hultquist ..	Public Petitions A to L	Sept. 12, 1939.
38. Livingston, M. M., and 212 others	Aug. 3, 1939	For amendment of certain provisions of the Social Security Act, 1938, and regulations made thereunder relating to women	213	Hon. Sir Alfred Ransom	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 20, 1939.
47. Lyon, G. B.	Aug. 17, 1939	For compensation on account of the death of his son while employed by the North Otago Electric-power Board	1	Mr. Cotterill ..	Labour Bills ..	Sept. 21, 1939.
10. McGregor, P.	June 29, 1939	For compensation in respect of a motor accident sustained by his daughter	1	Mr. Cullen ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 23, 1939.
69. MacMillan, R. W.	Sept. 28, 1939	For compensation in respect of injuries allegedly sustained while employed by the Public Works Department	1	Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer	Public Petitions M to Z	Oct. 4, 1939.
44. Marlborough Returned Soldiers' Association (Incorporated), and another	Aug. 16, 1939	That H. S. Stude be granted a war pension	2	Mr. Meschen ..	Defence	Sept. 27, 1939.
61. Marriner, G.	Sept. 14, 1939	For compensation in respect of certain confiscated lands in Taranaki	1	Mr. Paika ..	Native Affairs ..	Held over.
54. Menken, L., and 168 others ..	Aug. 30, 1939	For the repeal of the Social Security Act, 1938	169	Hon. Sir Alfred Ransom	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 20, 1939.
51. Milne, R.	Aug. 23, 1939	For payment of the balance of an amount allegedly due for services rendered as a member of a special Valuation Committee	1	Mr. Roy ..	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 20, 1939.

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53. Morgan, H. L.	Aug. 25, 1939	For a grant towards legal costs and other expenses incurred in connection with the death of a person arising out of a motor-vehicle accident	1	Mr. Thorn	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 20, 1939.
45. Morris, Victoria A.	Aug. 16, 1939	For amendment of the Deaths by Accidents Compensation Act, 1908, enabling her to proceed with a claim for compensation in respect of the death of her husband	1	Mr. Combs	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 27, 1939.
39. Ngawharewiti Tiwai Pomare and another	Aug. 4, 1939	For inquiry into the disposition of the estate of the late Wiremu Naera Pomare	2	Mr. Ratana	Native Affairs	Held over.
35. O'Donnell, Rev. Dean J. J., and 87 others	Aug. 1, 1939	For an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the realization of the farm of Patrick Small	88	Mr. Burnett	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 31, 1939.
16. Otahuhu Borough Council	July 4, 1939	For amendment of the Valuation of Land Act, 1925	1	Mr. Petrie	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 31, 1939.
32. Pagan, J.	July 27, 1939	For compensation for loss allegedly sustained in a land transaction	1	Mr. Chapman	Lands	Sept. 12, 1939.
36. Paratene, Hoera, and 4 others	Aug. 2, 1939	For inquiry <i>in re</i> the estate of Teleti Hoera	5	Mr. Ratana	Native Affairs	Held over.
63. Park, F. F.	Sept. 19, 1939	For compensation for loss allegedly sustained owing to the operation of the Transport Licensing Act and its amendments	1	Mr. Holland	Public Petitions M to Z	Oct. 4, 1939.
24. Perene, H. Takariri, and 104 others	July 12, 1939	That the investigation by the Native Land Court into the question of "surplus lands" be urgently completed	105	Mr. Paikea	Native Affairs	Sept. 14, 1939.
3. Pilling, Mary	June 28, 1939	For the enactment of legislation enabling certain Court proceedings to be reopened, and for other relief	1	Mr. Schramm	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 16, 1939.
48. Pohatu, Hamahora, and 115 others	Aug. 17, 1939	That the lands of Ngai Tamamuhiri—namely, Te Kuri, Tangotete, Pakowhai, and other blocks—be removed from the control of the East Coast Trust Lands Commissioner	116	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
39. Pomare, Ngawharewiti Tiwai, and another	Aug. 4, 1939	For inquiry into the disposition of the estate of the late Wiremu Naera Pomare	2	Mr. Ratana	Native Affairs	Held over.
6. Public Trustee	June 29, 1939	For the repeal of section 13 of the Native Purposes Act, 1937, or, alternatively, that certain amendments to same be enacted	1	Mr. Ratana	Native Affairs	Sept. 5, 1939.
50. Rangitohinga and 23 others	Aug. 22, 1939	For inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the lease of Kaipakopako Block, and for other relief	24	Mr. Frost	Native Affairs	Sept. 13, 1939.
57. Ratene, Rore, and 23 others	Sept. 12, 1939	That effect be given to the report on their petition of 1936 praying for relief <i>in re</i> Tauhara Middle Block	24	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
9. Renner, E. R., and another	June 29, 1939	For a reconsideration of the valuation placed on their property under the provisions of the Mortgagees and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, 1936	2	Mr. Cullen	Lands	Aug. 24, 1939.
59. Reremoana Kingi	Sept. 13, 1939	For a rehearing of his claim in connection with the will of Te Paera Ahipene, deceased	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
69. Robbie, Sarah L.	Sept. 27, 1939	For payment of separation and children's allowances during her husband's absence on military service between 1914 and 1919	1	Mr. Combs	Defence	Held over.
57. Rore Ratene and 23 others	Sept. 12, 1939	That effect be given to the report on their petition of 1936 praying for relief <i>in re</i> Tauhara Middle Block	24	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
29. Rowe, Williamina M.	July 19, 1939	For compensation in respect of the loss by fire of Reserve Bank of New Zealand notes to the value of £20	1	Mr. Bolkin	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 23, 1939.
23. Sampson, F.	July 12, 1939	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	Sept. 27, 1939.

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65. Silver, G. J.	Sept. 26, 1939	For compensation for alleged wrongful arrest and imprisonment	1	Mr. Lee	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
64. Simpson, G. E., and 510 others	Sept. 21, 1939	That licensed premises be not established at Matamata	511	Mr. Doidge	Public Petitions M to Z	Withdrawn, Oct. 4, 1939.
26. Smith, S. J.	July 18, 1939	That he be furnished with certain reports covering the accounts of the Cook Islands Administration during the period he held the position of Resident Commissioner	1	Mr. Cotterill	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 20, 1939.
44. Stade, H. S.	Aug. 16, 1939	That he be granted a war pension	1	Mr. Meachen	Defence	Sept. 27, 1939.
55. Stephens, J., and 40 others	Sept. 5, 1939	That legislation be enacted providing for a guaranteed price for gold produced in the Dominion	41	Dr. McMillan	Goldfields and Mines	Sept. 19, 1939.
52. Stevenson, J.	Aug. 23, 1939	For payment of the balance of an amount allegedly due for services rendered as Chairman of the Marlborough Adjustment Commission	1	Mr. Meachen	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 20, 1939.
56. Stirling, D.	Sept. 12, 1939	For relief <i>in re</i> Otaimina Block	1	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
62. Tauranga County Council and 5 other adjacent local authorities	Sept. 19, 1939	That the construction of the road leading from the Waihi-Whakatane State Highway to Mount Maunganui be undertaken by the Main Highways Board	6	Mr. Doidge	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
25. Taylor, J. R.	July 13, 1939	For compensation on account of alleged miscarriage of justice, and that his name be removed from the prison records	1	Hon. Sir Alfred Ransom	Public Petitions M to Z	Aug. 23, 1939.
27. Te Rauna Hape and 11 others	July 18, 1939	For the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the ownership of the Rakaukaka Block	12	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
28. Te Rauna Hape and 72 others	July 18, 1939	For a reconsideration of their claim to the ownership of the Aorangi Block	73	Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata	Native Affairs	Held over.
70. Thompson, Maggie	Oct. 5, 1939	For compensation for loss sustained on account of alleged forced sale of a business	1	Mr. Cullen (for Hon. Mr. Barnard)	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
33. Tipoki, Hata, and 15 others	July 27, 1939	For relief <i>in re</i> Tutakuri No. 1 Block	16	Mr. Cullen	Native Affairs	Held over.
34. Townsend, Emaeline	Aug. 1, 1939	That she be granted an invalidity pension	1	Hon. Mr. Jones	Public Petitions A to L	Withdrawn, Sept. 12, 1939.
24. Tukariri, Perene H., and 104 others	July 12, 1939	That the investigation by the Native Land Court into the question of "surplus lands" be urgently completed	105	Mr. Paika	Native Affairs	Sept. 14, 1939.
5. Westland Power, Ltd.	June 28, 1939	For the liquidation of certain liabilities in connection with an undertaking to generate and supply electricity in the Westland Power Board District	1	Mr. Chapman	Public Petitions M to Z	Held over.
46. Whakarau, Erina, and 87 others	Aug. 16, 1939	That the Native Land Court be empowered to reinvestigate the title to the Pukepuke Lake Reserve	88	Mr. Cullen	Native Affairs	Sept. 5, 1939.
58. Wheeler, H. C.	Sept. 12, 1939	For compensation for loss allegedly due to an erroneous valuation of his land by the Valuation Department	1	Mr. Anderton	Lands	Oct. 6, 1939.
17. Wilson, J. J.	July 4, 1939	For compensation for injuries allegedly sustained while employed with the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy	1	Mr. Hultquist	Defence	Aug. 15, 1939.
11. Wilson, T.	June 29, 1939	For additional compensation on account of injuries sustained while employed by the Public Works Department	1	Mr. Cullen	Public Petitions M to Z	Sept. 13, 1939.
66. Woollindin, May V.	Sept. 26, 1939	For a reduction in the amount of rent payable in connection with a Crown lease	1	Mr. Robertson	Lands	Held over.

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
<i>Agricultural and Pastoral.</i> —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. Boswell, Mr. Burnett, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Kyle, Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Williams	August 1, on motion of Hon. Mr. Lee Martin	Meat Bill referred, July 26; Report, Sept. 12. (For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-10.)
<i>Defence.</i> —Consisting, by leave, of twelve Members, to consider all matters in connection with defence which may be referred to it.	Mr. Allen, Mr. Anderton, Mr. Barclay, Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Frost, Colonel Hargest, Hon. Mr. Jones, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Roy	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Jones	(For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-12.)
<i>Defence Committee (Recess).</i> —Consisting, by leave, of thirteen Members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government relating to the camp accommodation, comfort, amenities, recreation, and general welfare of the men of the Special Force, and, in addition, to consider any matters affecting the defence measures of the Dominion which may be referred to it by the Government; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament.	Mr. Anderton, Hon. Mr. Barnard, Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Frost, Mr. Grigg, Colonel Hargest, Hon. Mr. Jones, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Roy, Mr. Tirikatene	October 6, on motion of Hon. Mr. Jones	..
<i>Education.</i> —Consisting of ten Members, to consider all matters relating to school-teachers, education, and public instruction generally, training of public-school teachers, higher education, technical education, manual instruction, and such other matters affecting education as may be referred to it.	Mr. Atmore, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Boswell, Rev. Mr. Carr, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Doidge, Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. McCombs, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Petrie	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Fraser	(For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-8.)
<i>Goldfields and Mines.</i> —Consisting, by leave, of twelve Members, to consider all Bills and other matters relating to mining which may be referred to it.	Mr. Barclay, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Denham, Mr. Goosman, Mr. Frost, Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. Moncur, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Thorn, Hon. Mr. Webb	July 28, on motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Hon. Mr. Webb)	Parliamentary Paper No. 57 referred, July 21 Report, Aug. 31. (For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-4.)
<i>House.</i> —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. Chapman, Mr. Endeian, Mr. Kyle, Mr. McKeen, Mr. O'Brien, Right Hon. Mr. Savage	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Fraser (for Right Hon. Mr. Savage)	No Report.

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES—continued.

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
<p><i>Industrial Development (Recess).</i>—Consisting, by leave, of thirteen Members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government affecting industrial conditions and relationships, including those of workers and employers, the operation of industrial awards and agreements, the organizing, training, and effective utilizing of workers for industry generally, the health amenities and general advancement of such workers, the promotion of industrial co-operation in the interests of the country during the present crisis, and the general efficiency of the operation of industrial processes; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament</p>	<p>Mr. Atmore, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Chapman, Hon. Mr. Cobbe, Mr. Eudean, Mr. Goozman, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Munro, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mrs. Stewart, Mr. Thorn, Hon. Mr. Webb</p>	<p>October 6, on motion of Hon. Mr. Webb</p>	
<p><i>Industries and Commerce.</i>—Consisting, by leave, of eleven Members, to consider all matters in connection with industries and commerce which may be referred to it</p>	<p>Mr. Barrell, Mr. Doidge, Mr. Hodgens, Mr. Holland, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Skinner, Hon. Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Wilkinson</p>	<p>July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Sullivan</p>	<p>Pharmacy Bill referred, Aug. 18; Report, Sept. 21. (For Reports, vide Appendices, I.—13.)</p>
<p><i>Industries and Commerce (Recess).</i>—Consisting, by leave, of twelve Members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government relating to factory and secondary production, the establishment of new industries, the best means by which production may be increased, and the welfare of those engaged in secondary industry; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament</p>	<p>Mr. Barrell, Mr. Doidge, Mr. Hodgens, Mr. Holland, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Petrie, Mr. Richards, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Skinner, Hon. Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Wilkinson</p>	<p>October 6, on motion of Hon. Mr. Sullivan</p>	
<p><i>Joint on Bills.</i>—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</p>	<p>Mr. Coleman, Mr. Eudean, Mr. McCombs, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Wilkinson</p>	<p>July 28, on motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen)</p>	<p>No Report.</p>

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES—continued.

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
<i>Joint on Stamping Orders on Private Bills</i>	Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Endean, Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Schramm	July 28, on motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen)	Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Bill referred, Aug. 3; Report, Sept. 12. Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering Bill referred, Sept. 12; Report, Sept. 20. (For Reports, <i>vide Journals</i> .)
<i>Labour Bills.</i> —Consisting, by leave, of eleven Members, to consider all Bills or other matters relating to labour which may be referred to it	Hon. Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Barrell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Combs, Hon. Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Holland, Mr. McKeen, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Polson, Hon. Mr. Webb	July 28, on motion of Mr. O'Brien (for the Hon. Mr. Webb)	Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Bill (No. 2) referred, Sept. 27; Report, Sept. 29. (For Reports, <i>vide Appendices, I.-9</i> .)
<i>Lands.</i> —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. Boswell, Mr. Combs, Mr. Cullen, Colonel Hargest, Mr. Kidd, Hon. Mr. Langstone, Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Meachen, Hon. Sir Alfred Ramsom, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams	August 1, on motion of Hon. Mr. Lee Martin	Name of Mr. McCombs discharged and that of Mr. Combs substituted therefor, Aug. 2. New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill referred, Aug. 15; Report, Aug. 24. Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill referred, Aug. 17; Report, Aug. 24. Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill referred, Aug. 25; Report, Sept. 12. Auckland City Empowering Bill referred, Aug. 25; Report, Sept. 12. Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 13; Report, Sept. 14. Name of Hon. Mr. Lee Martin discharged and that of Hon. Mr. Langstone substituted therefor, Sept. 14. Small Farms Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 13; Report, Sept. 15. Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill referred, Sept. 15; Report, Sept. 19. Native Purposes Bill referred, Sept. 20; Report, Sept. 20. Local Legislation Bill referred, Sept. 22; Report, Sept. 22. Land Laws Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 26; Report, Sept. 28. (For Reports, <i>vide Appendices, I.-5</i> .)
<i>Library.</i> —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	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Fraser	Annual Report of Chief Librarian (H.-32), Sept. 12. (<i>Vide Appendices and Journals</i> .)
<i>Local Bills.</i> —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. Anderson, Mr. Barclay, Rev. Mr. Carr, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Jull, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. Massey, Mr. Munro, Hon. Mr. Parry	August 1, on motion of Hon. Mr. Parry	Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment Bill referred, July 29; Report, Aug. 4. Christchurch City Council Empowering Bill referred, July 4; Report, Aug. 15. New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill referred, July 20; Report, Aug. 15. Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill referred, July 26; Report, Sept. 13. Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment Bill referred, July 26; Report, Aug. 31. Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Bill referred, July 27; Report, Aug. 15. Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill referred, July 28; Report, Aug. 17. Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill referred, Aug. 3; Report, Aug. 25. Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Bill referred, Aug. 4; Report, Aug. 17. Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption Bill referred, Aug. 4; Report, Aug. 25. Auckland City Empowering Bill referred, Aug. 4; Report, Aug. 25. Wangarei Harbour District and Empowering Amendment Bill referred, Aug. 8; Report, Aug. 30. Christchurch Metropolitan Milk Bill referred, Aug. 16. Christchurch Tramway District Amendment Bill referred, Aug. 17; Report, Aug. 25. Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 2) referred, Aug. 25; Report, Sept. 13. Lower Clutha River Improvement Amendment Bill (No. 3) referred, Aug. 25; Report, Sept. 13. Waikato Airport Bill referred, Aug. 31; Report, Sept. 20. Local Legislation Bill referred, Sept. 19; Report, Sept. 22. Amendments proposed by Governor-General in Local Legislation Bill referred, Sept. 21; Report, Sept. 22. (For Reports, <i>vide Appendices, I.-16</i> .)

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES—continued.

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
<p><i>Native Affairs.</i>—Consisting, by leave, of eighteen 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</p>	<p>Mr. Allen, Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Frost, Mr. Kidd, Hon. Mr. Langstone, Mr. Lowry, Hon. Mr. Mason, Mr. Massey, Mr. Moncur, Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Paikes, Mr. Ratana, Right Hon. Mr. Savage, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Tirikatene, Mr. Williams</p>	<p>July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Fraser (for Right Hon. Mr. Savage)</p>	<p>Papers Nos. 169 and 170 referred, Sept. 19; Report, Sept. 27. Native Purposes Bill referred, Sept. 19; Report, Sept. 20. Papers Nos. 178 and 179 referred, Sept. 22; Report, Sept. 27. (For Reports, vide Appendices, I-3.)</p>
<p><i>Native Affairs (Recess).</i>—Consisting, by leave, of twelve Members, to consider all matters relating to the economic progress and development, land-settlement, health, housing, and general welfare of the Maori race which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament</p>	<p>Mr. Broadfoot, Rev. Mr. Carr, Mr. Denham, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Moncur, Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Paikes, Mr. Ratana, Mr. Tirikatene</p>	<p>October 6, on motion of Hon. Mr. Langstone.</p>	<p>..</p>
<p><i>Primary Production (Recess).</i>—Consisting, by leave, of thirteen Members, to consider all matters which may be referred to it by the House or by the Government relating to primary production, such increase in primary products as may be possible, the organizing, training, and effective utilizing of the workers required on farms and other branches of primary production, the conditions of employment and opportunities of advancement of such workers, and any matters relating to the efficiency of primary industry and the welfare of primary producers generally; that the Committee have power to 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, and 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, it report to this House within twenty-eight days after the commencement of the next ensuing session of Parliament</p>	<p>Mr. Barclay, Mr. Boswell, Mr. Denham, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Kyle, Hon. Mr. Lee Martin, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Massey, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Polson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams</p>	<p>October 6, on motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Hon. Mr. Lee Martin)</p>	<p></p>
<p><i>Privileges.</i>—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</p>	<p>Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Right Hon. Mr. Forbes, Mr. McKeen, Hon. Mr. Mason, Right Hon. Mr. Savage, Mr. Wilkinson</p>	<p>July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Fraser (for Right Hon. Mr. Savage)</p>	<p>No Report.</p>

SCHEDULE OF SELECT COMMITTEES—continued.

SUBJECT.	MEMBERS' NAMES.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	REMARKS.
<i>Public Accounts.</i> —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	Right Hon. Mr. Coates, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Lee, Mr. McCombs, Dr. McMillan, Hon. Mr. Nash, Mr. Polson, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Wilkinson	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Fraser (for Hon. Mr. Nash)	(For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-14.)
<i>Public Health.</i> —Consisting, by leave, of eleven 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. Allen, Mr. Anderton, Mr. Boswell, Mr. Coleman, Hon. Mr. Fraser, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Kyle, Dr. McMillan, Mr. Richards, Mr. Roy, Mrs. Stewart	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Fraser	New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors Bill referred, July 14; Report, Sept. 13. Nurses and Midwives Registration Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 14; Report, Sept. 19. Pharmacy (No. 2) Bill referred, Sept. 22; Report, Sept. 27. (For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-7.)
<i>Public Petitions A to L.</i> —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. Doidge, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Hultquist, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Neilson, Hon. Mr. Parry, Mr. Richards, Mr. Roy, Mr. Schramm	Aug. 1, on motion of Hon. Mr. Parry	(For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-1.)
<i>Public Petitions M to Z.</i> —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	Mr. Goozman, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. Neilson, Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Osborne, Hon. Mr. Sempie, Mrs. Stewart	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Sempie	(For Reports, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-2.)
<i>Selection (Private Bills)</i>	Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Cullen, Mr. McKeen, Mr. O'Brien	July 28, on motion of Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen)	No Report.
<i>Statutes Revision.</i> —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, Mr. Macfarlane, Hon. Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, the Rev. Mr. Nordmeyer, Mr. Richards, Mr. Schramm	July 28, on motion of Hon. Mr. Mason	Hire-purchase Agreements Bill referred, Aug. 1; Report, Aug. 30. Land Transfer Amendment Bill referred, Aug. 1; Report, Aug. 22. Property Law Amendment Bill referred, Aug. 1; Report, Aug. 15. Domestic Proceedings Bill referred, Aug. 16; Report, Sept. 12. Summary Penalties Bill referred, Aug. 22; Report, Sept. 12. Legitimation Bill referred, Aug. 23; Report, Sept. 12. Statutes Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 14; Report, Sept. 26. Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens Bill referred, Sept. 14; Report, Sept. 21. Legal Aid Bill referred, Sept. 14; Report, Oct. 4. Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 15; Report, Sept. 20. Fair Rents Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 26; Report, Oct. 4. New clause 52a proposed by His Excellency in Statutes Amendment Bill referred, Sept. 28; Report, Oct. 3. (For Report, <i>vide</i> Appendices, I.-11.)

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC BILLS, 1939.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduction and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Committee.	Report.	Consideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amendments of Legislative Council.	Amendments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	REMARKS.
Adhesive Stamps	By Message (Hon. Mr. Jones)	Aug. 22	Sept. 12	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	..	Sept. 14	..	..	Sept. 22	Introduced in Committee.
Agricultural Emergency Regulations Confirmation	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Sept. 19	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	..	Sept. 21	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee.
<i>Alsatian Dog</i>	Legislative Council	Aug. 25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	<i>Lapsed.</i>
Appropriation	Hon. Mr. Nash	Sept. 15	Sept. 20	Sept. 20	Sept. 20	..	Sept. 20	..	..	Sept. 25	..
Auckland City Empowering	Mr. Munro (for Mr. Anderton)	Aug. 4	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	..	Sept. 14	..	..	Sept. 22	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 4. Report, Aug. 25. Referred to Lands Committee, Aug. 25. Report, Sept. 12. 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, Sept. 14.
<i>Auckland Transport Board Rating Exemption</i>	Hon. Mr. Mason	Aug. 4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 4. Report, Aug. 25. Order of Day for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, Aug. 31. <i>Lapsed.</i>
Bluff Borough Council Empowering	Colonel Hargest	July 28	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	..	Aug. 31	..	..	Sept. 8	Referred to Local Bills Committee, July 28. Report, Aug. 17. Referred to Lands Committee, Aug. 17. Report, Aug. 24. 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, Aug. 31.
Bluff Harbour Board and Bluff Borough Council Empowering Amendment	Colonel Hargest	June 29	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	..	Aug. 31	..	..	Sept. 8	Referred to Local Bills Committee, June 29. Report, Aug. 4.
Christchurch City Council Empowering	Mr. Macfarlane	July 4	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	..	Aug. 31	..	..	Sept. 8	Referred to Local Bills Committee, July 4. Report, Aug. 15.
<i>Christchurch Metropolitan Milk</i>	Mr. Macfarlane	Aug. 16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Standing Order 366 partially suspended. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 16. <i>Lapsed.</i>
Christchurch Tramway District Amendment	Mr. Macfarlane	Aug. 17	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	..	Aug. 31	..	..	Sept. 8	Standing Order 366 partially suspended. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 17. Report, Aug. 25.
Customs Acts Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Sept. 26	Sept. 28	Sept. 28	Sept. 28	..	Sept. 28	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded introduction and first reading, Sept. 26. Urgency accorded passing, Sept. 27. Urgency accorded passing, Sept. 28.
Domestic Proceedings	Hon. Mr. Mason	Aug. 16	Aug. 16 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	..	..	Sept. 22	Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Aug. 16. Report, Sept. 12.
Emergency Regulations	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Sept. 12	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	..	..	Sept. 14	Introduced in Committee.
<i>Expiring Laws Continuance</i>	Hon. Mr. Fraser	June 28 <i>pro forma</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	<i>Lapsed.</i>

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC BILLS—continued.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduc- tion and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Com- mittee.	Report.	Con- sideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amend- ments of Legisla- tive Council.	Amend- ments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	REMARKS.
Fair Rents Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Sept. 26	Sept. 26 <i>pro forma</i>	Oct. 5	Oct. 5	Oct. 5	Oct. 5	..	..	Oct. 7	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 26. Report, Oct. 4. Urgency accorded, Oct. 5.
Finance	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Aug. 18	Aug. 24	Aug. 25	Aug. 25	..	Aug. 25	..	..	Aug. 25	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded; amendment to question for second reading to refer Bill back to Government for further consideration (<i>borrowing powers and public-works expenditure</i>) negatived on division, Aug. 24. Urgency accorded, Aug. 25.
Finance (No. 2)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Oct. 3	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	..	..	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded, Oct. 4. Governor-General's Message forwarding draft of amendments; same read and agreed to and referred, together with Resolution, to Committee on Bill, Oct. 4.
Hire-purchase Agreements	Hon. Mr. Mason ..	July 27	Aug. 1	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	..	..	Sept. 22	Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Aug. 1. Report, Aug. 30.
Hutt Road	By Message (Hon. Mr. Semple)	Sept. 14	Sept. 20	Sept. 20	Sept. 20	..	Sept. 20	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee.
Imprest Supply	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	June 29	June 29	June 29	June 29	..	June 29	..	..	June 30	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, June 29.
Imprest Supply (No. 2)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Aug. 30	Aug. 30	Aug. 30	Aug. 30	..	Aug. 30	..	..	Aug. 31	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; Resolution reported and agreed to; Resolution referred to Committee of Ways and Means; Resolution reported and agreed to, Aug. 30.
Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Webb)	July 18	July 18	July 18	July 18	..	July 18	..	..	July 18	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded passing of Bill and proceedings preliminary thereto, July 18.
Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Webb)	Sept. 27	Sept. 27 <i>pro forma</i>	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	..	Oct. 4	..	..	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Labour Bills Committee, Sept. 27. Report, Sept. 29. Urgency accorded, Oct. 3. Urgency accorded, Oct. 4.
Land and Income Tax Amendment ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Sept. 29	Oct. 3	Oct. 3	Oct. 3	Oct. 3	Oct. 3	..	..	Oct. 7	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded, Oct. 3. Governor-General's Message forwarding amendment; same read and agreed to; Message to Legislative Council, Oct. 5.

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC BILLS—continued.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduc- tion and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Com- mittal.	Report.	Con- sideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amend- ments of Legisla- tive Council.	Amend- ments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	REMARKS.
Land and Income Tax (Annual)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Aug. 18	Aug. 24	Aug. 25	Aug. 25	..	Aug. 25	..	..	Aug. 25	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded, Aug. 24. Urgency accorded, Aug. 25.
Land Laws Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Langstone)	Sept. 26	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	..	Sept. 29	..	..	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Lands Committee, Sept. 26. Report, Sept. 28. Urgency accorded, Sept. 29.
Land Transfer Amendment	Hon. Mr. Mason	July 28	Aug. 1	Aug. 23	Aug. 23	Aug. 23	Aug. 23	Sept. 12	Sept. 12	Sept. 14	Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Aug. 1. Report, Aug. 22.
Legal Aid	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Sept. 12	Sept. 14 <i>pro forma</i>	Oct. 5	Oct. 5	..	Oct. 5	..	..	Oct. 7	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 14. Report, Oct. 4. Urgency accorded, Oct. 5.
Legitimation	Hon. Mr. Mason	July 27	Aug. 23 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	..	..	Sept. 22	Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Aug. 23. Report, Sept. 12.
Local Legislation	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Sept. 19	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 28	Sept. 28	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 19. Governor-General's Message forwarding draft amendments; same read and agreed to and referred to Local Bills Committee, Sept. 21. Reports, Sept. 22. Governor-General's amendments referred to Committee on Bill, Sept. 22. Bill referred to Lands Committee, Sept. 22. Report, Sept. 22.
Lower Clutha River Improvement Amend- ment	Mr. Roy	July 26	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	..	Sept. 21	..	..	Sept. 29	Referred to Local Bills Committee, July 26. Report, Sept. 13. Referred to Lands Committee, Sept. 13. Report, Sept. 14. 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, Sept. 19.
<i>Lower Clutha River Improvement Amend- ment (No. 2)</i>	Mr. Roy	Aug. 25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Standing Order 366 partially suspended. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 25. Report, Sept. 13. Order of Day for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, Sept. 14. <i>Lapsed.</i>
<i>Lower Clutha River Improvement Amend- ment (No. 3)</i>	Mr. Roy	Aug. 25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Standing Order 366 partially suspended. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 25. Report, Sept. 13. Order of Day for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, Sept. 14. <i>Lapsed.</i>
Marketing Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Oct. 3	Oct. 5	Oct. 5	Oct. 5	..	Oct. 5	..	..	Oct. 7	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded, Oct. 4. Urgency accorded, Oct. 5.
Meat	By Message (Hon. Mr. Leo Martin)	July 26	July 26 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 21	Sept. 22	Oct. 6	Referred to Agricultural and Pastoral Committee, July 26. Report, Sept. 12. Governor-General's Message forwarding amendments; same read and agreed to. Message to Legislative Council, Sept. 29. Message from Legislative Council agreeing, Oct. 4. Introduced in Committee.
Municipal Association	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	..	Sept. 15	..	..	Sept. 22	Introduced in Committee.

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC BILLS—continued.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduc- tion and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Comm- ittal.	Report.	Con- sideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amend- ments of Legisla- tive Council.	Amend- ments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	REMARKS.
Napier Harbour Board Loan Amendment	Mr. Callen (for Hon. Mr. Barnard)	July 26	Sept. 12	Sept. 12	Sept. 12	..	Sept. 12	..	..	Sept. 22	Referred to Local Bills Committee, July 26. Report, Aug. 31.
Native Purposes	By Message (Hon. Mr. Langstone)	Sept. 19	Sept. 19 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Native Affairs Committee, Sept. 19. Report, Sept. 20. Speaker intimated that provisions of Bill affected Crown lands; Order of Day for committal discharged and Bill referred to Lands Committee; Report, Sept. 20. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 4. Report, Aug. 17.
Nelson Harbour Board Empowering ..	Mr. Atmore	Aug. 4	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	..	Aug. 31	..	..	Sept. 8	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 4. Report, Aug. 17.
New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering	Mr. Frost	July 20	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	..	Aug. 31	..	..	Sept. 8	Referred to Local Bills Committee, July 20. Report, Aug. 15. Referred to Lands Committee, Aug. 15. Report, Aug. 24. 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, Aug. 31.
New Zealand Federation of Funeral Directors	Mr. O'Brien (for Mr. McKeen)	July 14	July 14 <i>pro forma</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Public Health Committee, July 14. Report, Sept. 13. <i>Lapsed.</i>
New Zealand Library Association ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Sept. 19	Sept. 20	Sept. 20	Sept. 20	..	Sept. 20	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee.
Nurse and Midwives Registration Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Fraser)	Sept. 12	Sept. 14 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	..	Sept. 21	..	..	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Public Health Committee, Sept. 14. Report, Sept. 19. Governor-General's Message forwarding amendment; same read and agreed to. Message to Legislative Council, Sept. 29. Message from Legislative Council agreeing, Oct. 4.
Otago Harbour Board Empowering ..	Mr. Munro	Aug. 3	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 14	..	Sept. 14	..	..	Sept. 22	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 3. Report, Aug. 25. Referred to Lands Committee, Aug. 25. Report, Sept. 12. 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, Sept. 14.
Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling ..	Mr. Macfarlane ..	July 27	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	Aug. 31	..	Aug. 31	..	..	Sept. 8	Referred to Local Bills Committee, July 27. Report, Aug. 15.
Patents, Designs, and Trade-marks Amend- ment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Sept. 15	Sept. 15 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	..	Sept. 22	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 15. Report, Sept. 20.
Pharmacy	By Message (Hon. Mr. Sullivan)	Aug. 18	Aug. 18 <i>pro forma</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Industries and Commerce Committee, Aug. 18. Report, Sept. 21. Order of Day for committal discharged and Bill withdrawn, Sept. 22. <i>Lapsed.</i>
Pharmacy (No. 2)	By Message (Hon. Mr. Sullivan)	Sept. 22	Sept. 22 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	..	..	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Public Health Committee, Sept. 22. Report, Sept. 27. Urgency accorded, Sept. 28. Urgency accorded, Sept. 29.

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC BILLS—continued.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduction and First Reading.	Second Reading.	Committee.	Report.	Consideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amendments of Legislative Council.	Amendments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	REMARKS.
Property Law Amendment	Hon. Mr. Mason	July 27	Aug. 1	Aug. 23	Aug. 23	Aug. 23	Aug. 23	Sept. 1	..	Sept. 8	Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Aug. 1. Report, Aug. 15.
Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Oct. 5	Oct. 6	Oct. 6	Oct. 6	..	Oct. 6	Sept. 5	..	Oct. 7	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded. Amendment (<i>expressing grave alarm at proposal to embark on course of uncontrolled inflation</i>) to question for second reading ruled out of order as not relevant to Bill, Oct. 6.
Reserves and other Lands Disposal	By Message (Hon. Mr. Langstone)	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	..	Sept. 22	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Lands Committee, Sept. 15. Report, Sept. 19.
Rural Housing	By Message (Hon. Mr. Armstrong)	Sept. 22	Sept. 26	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	..	..	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded, Sept. 28. Urgency accorded, Sept. 29.
Small Farms Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Langstone)	Sept. 12	Sept. 19 Sept. 21	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	..	Sept. 21	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee. Order of Day for second reading discharged and Bill referred to Lands Committee, Sept. 13. Report, Sept. 15.
Social Security Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Parry)	Sept. 28	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29	..	Sept. 29	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee.
Statutes Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Sept. 14	Sept. 14 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 29 Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 6	Oct. 6	Oct. 7	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 14. Report, Sept. 26. Governor-General's Message forwarding draft amendments; same read and agreed to and referred, together with Resolution, to Committee on Bill; urgency accorded; Resolution referring draft amendments to Committee on Bill partially rescinded and proposed new clause 52A referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 28. Urgency accorded, Sept. 29. Report, Oct. 3. Clause 52A referred to Committee on Bill, Oct. 3. Urgency accorded, Oct. 3. Urgency accorded, Oct. 4.
Summary Penalties	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Aug. 22	Aug. 22 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	..	Sept. 15	..	..	Sept. 22	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Aug. 22. Report, Sept. 12.
Tairāri River Improvement Amendment ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Sept. 14	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	..	Sept. 15	..	..	Sept. 22	Introduced in Committee.
Transport Law Amendment	By Message (Hon. Mr. Semple)	Aug. 29	Aug. 31 Sept. 13	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	..	..	Sept. 22	Introduced in Committee.
Visiting Forces	By Message (Hon. Mr. Jones)	Oct. 3	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	Oct. 4	..	Oct. 4	..	..	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded, Oct. 4.
Wages Protection and Contractors' Liens ..	By Message (Hon. Mr. Mason)	Sept. 14	Sept. 14 <i>pro forma</i>	Sept. 22	Sept. 22	..	Sept. 22	Sept. 28	Sept. 28	Oct. 6	Introduced in Committee. Referred to Statutes Revision Committee, Sept. 14. Report, Sept. 21.
Waikato Airport	Mr. Barrell	Aug. 31	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	..	Sept. 21	..	..	Sept. 29	Standing Order 366 partially suspended. Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 31. Report, Sept. 20. Standing Order 364 partially suspended, Sept. 21.
Wanganui Harbour District and Empowering Amendment	Mr. Cotterill	Aug. 8	Aug. 31 Sept. 12	Sept. 12 Sept. 14	..	..	..	..	..	..	Referred to Local Bills Committee, Aug. 8. Report, Aug. 30. <i>Lapsed.</i>
War Expenses	By Message (Hon. Mr. Nash)	Sept. 26	Sept. 27	Sept. 27	Sept. 27	..	Sept. 27	..	..	Sept. 29	Introduced in Committee. Urgency accorded, Sept. 27.

SCHEDULE OF PRIVATE BILLS, 1939.

SHORT TITLE.	How and by Whom Introduced.	Introduc- tion.	First Reading.	Second Reading.	Committal.	Report.	Con- sideration of Report.	Third Reading and Passing.	Amend- ments of Legisla- tive Council.	Amend- ments of Council agreed to.	Royal Assent.	REMARKS.
Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment	Hon. Mr. Jones ..	Aug. 3	Sept. 14	Sept. 19	Sept. 20	Sept. 20	..	Sept. 20	..	..	Sept. 29	Petition for leave to bring in Bill and endorsement thereon of Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills read and Bill ordered to be introduced; Petition and Report, together with Bill, referred to Joint Committee (Private Bills); Message to Legislative Council, Aug. 3. Report, same read and agreed to; Message to Legislative Council; Message from Legislative Council agreeing to Report, Sept. 12. Standing Orders on Private Bills partially suspended and Bill to proceed through its remaining stages as a Public Bill. Message to Legislative Council, Sept. 14.
Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering	Mr. Doidge ..	Aug. 3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Petition for leave to bring in Bill and endorsement thereon of Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills read and Bill ordered to be introduced, Aug. 3. Mr. Speaker ruled that subject-matter not a proper one for a Private Bill and Bill ruled out accordingly, Aug. 8. <i>Lapsed.</i>
Tauranga Licensing Committee Empowering (No. 2)	Mr. Doidge	Petition for leave to bring in Bill and endorsement thereon of Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills read; Petition and Report, together with Bill, referred to Joint Committee (Private Bills); Message to Legislative Council, Sept. 12. Report; same read and agreed to. Message to Legislative Council. Message from Legislative Council agreeing to Report, Sept. 20. <i>Lapsed.</i>

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Aug. 29	132	AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	H.-29.
July 7	19	AGRICULTURE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1934:— Order in Council under the, amending the Export Butter-box Pool Regulations 1938. (By Act.)	
July 11	37	Order in Council under the, making the Bobby Calf Marketing Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
July 11	40	Order in Council under the, making the Cool-stored Butter Regulations 1938. (By Act.)	
July 11	36	Order in Council under the, making the Dairy Industry Accounts Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
July 11	39	Order in Council under the, making the Honey Marketing Regulations 1938. (By Act.)	
July 11	38	Order in Council under the, making the Lemon Marketing Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
Aug. 15	99	AGRICULTURE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1934, AND PRIMARY PRODUCTS MARKETING ACT, 1936, Order in Council under the, making the Hop-marketing Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
Aug. 17	104	AIR DEPARTMENT: Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	H.-37.
July 14	48	AIR FORCE ACT, 1937, Orders in Council under the, making the Royal New Zealand Air Force Regulations 1939, and Amendments Nos. 1 and 2. (By Act.)	
Sept. 12	157	AIR NAVIGATION ACT, 1931, Order in Council under the, making the Air Navigation Regulations 1933, No. 7. (By Act.)	
..	..	ALIEN CONTROL. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	APPRENTICESHIP SUSPENSION. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	ART GALLERY, NATIONAL. (Vide NATIONAL ART GALLERY.)	
..	..	AUCKLAND HARBOUR BOARD SUPERANNUATION FUND. (Vide LOCAL AUTHORITIES SUPERANNUATION ACT, 1908.)	
..	..	AVIATION. (Vide AIR DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
B.			
July 21	54	BANK OF NEW ZEALAND: Balance-sheet as at 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-15.
..	..	BIOLOGICS, VETERINARY, Importation of. (Vide CUSTOMS ACT, 1913.)	
Sept. 12	156	BOARD OF NATIVE AFFAIRS: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By leave)	G.-10.
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July 11	31	Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Onion) Regulations 1938, Amendment No. 1. (By Act.)	
July 11	29	Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Price Investigation) Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
July 11	27	Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Return of Stale Bread) Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
July 11	28	Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Raw Tobacco Price) Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
July 11	30	Order in Council under the, making the Board of Trade (Wheat and Flour) Regulations 1938. (By Act.)	
..	..	BOBBY CALF MARKETING REGULATIONS. (Vide AGRICULTURE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1934.)	
..	..	BORSTAL. (Vide PRISONS AND BORSTALS.)	
..	..	BREAD, STALE, RETURN OF. (Vide BOARD OF TRADE ACT, 1919.)	
..	..	BROADCASTING SERVICES, NATIONAL. (Vide NATIONAL BROADCASTING SERVICES.)	
..	..	BUDGET, 1939. (Vide FINANCIAL STATEMENT.)	
..	..	BUILDING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	BUTTER-BOX POOL REGULATIONS 1938. (Vide AGRICULTURE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1934.)	
..	..	BUTTER, COOL-STORED, REGULATIONS. (Vide AGRICULTURE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1934.)	
C.			
..	..	CANADA, TRADE AGREEMENT. (Vide CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1921.)	
..	..	CANTERBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. (Vide SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE ACT, 1937.)	
Aug. 25	127	CANTERBURY PROVINCIAL BUILDINGS BOARD: Statement of Accounts for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act.)	
..	..	CENSORSHIP AND PUBLICITY. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	CHANGE OF NAME. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
Aug. 1	69	CHARTERED ASSOCIATIONS (PROTECTION OF NAMES AND UNIFORMS) ACT, 1930, Order in Council under the, protecting the name and badge of Tee H. Incorporated. (By Act.)	
..	..	CHILD-WELFARE. (Vide EDUCATION.)	
..	..	COAL-MINES ACT, 1925, Assignments of Leases and Licenses under. (By Act):—	
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Aug. 29	133	H. A. Hossey and J. J. Moyle to the Burnwell Coal Co., Ltd.	
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..	..	CONTRABAND EMERGENCY REGULATIONS. (<i>Vide</i> PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	CONTROLLER AND AUDITOR-GENERAL: Report on the Public Accounts. (<i>Vide</i> PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.)	
Aug. 23	111	COOK ISLANDS, ANNUAL Report on the administration of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	A.-3.
Aug. 8	75	COUNTRY LIBRARY SERVICE: Annual Report for Year ended 31st December, 1938. (By leave)	H.-32a.
June 29	5	COUNTY COUNCILS' ACCOUNTS. (By Act):—	
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..	..	COURTS EMERGENCY POWERS REGULATIONS. (<i>Vide</i> EMERGENCY REGULATIONS ACT, 1939.)	
Aug. 23	119	CROWN LANDS, SETTLEMENT: ANNUAL Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939 (By command)	C.-1.
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July 7	16	Order in Council under the, prohibiting the export of fresh vegetables and tomatoes. (By Act.)	
July 7	15	Order in Council under the, prohibiting the export of onions. (By Act.)	
Aug. 11	92	Order in Council under the, prohibiting the export to the United Kingdom of Processed Milk. (By Act.)	
July 7	14	Order in Council under the, prohibiting the importation of Veterinary Biologics. (By Act.)	
..	..	CUSTOMS ACT, 1913, AND RESERVE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND AMENDMENT ACT, 1936:—	
July 4	9	Order in Council under the, making the Export Licences Regulations 1938. (By Act.)	
July 4	8	Order in Council under the, making the Import Control Regulations 1938. (By Act.)	
Oct. 3	187	CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1921, Order in Council under, making the Trade Agreement (Canada) Order 1939. (By Act.)	
July 7	13	CUSTOMS AMENDMENT ACT, 1931, Order in Council under the, altering rates of duty on certain nails and white-lead. (By Act.)	
July 25	59	CUSTOMS AND OTHER REVENUE: Cost of collection by Customs Department, Return of, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	B.-12.
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..	..	DECLARATION OF WAR. (<i>Vide</i> EUROPEAN WAR, 1939.)	
..	..	DEEDS REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT. (<i>Vide</i> LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION.)	
..	..	DEFENCE (<i>Vide</i> AIR FORCE ACT, 1937; MILITARY FORCES OF NEW ZEALAND; NAVAL DEFENCE.)	
Sept. 28	185	DEFENCE ACT, 1909, Order in Council under the, making the Financial Instructions and Allowance Regulations for the New Zealand Military Forces 1925, Amendment No. 49. (By Act.)	
..	..	DEFENCE ACT, 1909, AND AMENDMENTS:—	
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Aug. 8	78	Financial Instructions and Allowance Regulations for New Zealand Military Forces, under the. (By Act.)	
..	..	DEPENDENCIES. (<i>Vide</i> PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	DESIGNS. (<i>Vide</i> PATENTS, DESIGNS, AND TRADE-MARKS.)	
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Sept. 19	169	Mangatu Blocks Nos. 1, 3, and 4: Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts for Year ended 30th June, 1939. (By Act.)	G.-4.
..	..	EDUCATION:—	
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..	..	ELECTRICITY. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
Sept. 28	184	EMERGENCY REGULATIONS ACT, 1939:— Orders in Council under the, making the Primary Industries Emergency Regulations 1939; the Wool Emergency Regulations 1939; the Industrial Emergency Council Regulations 1939; the Wool Emergency Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1; the Oil Fuel Emergency Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1; and the Courts Emergency Powers Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
Oct. 6	191	Orders in Council under the, making the Special Force Emergency Regulations 1939; the Patriotic Purposes Emergency Regulations 1939; the Strike and Lockout Emergency Regulations 1939; the Licensing Act Emergency Regulations 1939; and the Enemy Property Emergency Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1. (By Act.)	
..	..	EMPLOYMENT PROMOTION ACT, 1936. (Vide LABOUR DEPARTMENT.)	
..	..	ENEMY PROPERTY. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
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..	..	ENEMY TRADING. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	ESTIMATES. (Vide FINANCE.)	
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Sept. 5	142	Declaration proclaiming the existence of a state of war between His Majesty and the Government of the German Reich. (By leave.)	
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..	..	EXPORT PROHIBITION EMERGENCY REGULATIONS. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
..	..	EXPORT REGULATIONS, 1938. (Vide RESERVE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND AMENDMENT ACT, 1936.)	
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Aug. 9	82	Public Accounts: For Year 1938-39, together with Report of Controller and Auditor-General. (By Act)	B.-1 [Pt. II].
Aug. 1	72	Public Accounts for Year 1938-39, also Statement showing the Public Debt of the Dominion as at 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-1 [Pt. III].
Sept. 21	176	Public Accounts: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of various Government Departments for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-1 [Pt. IV].
Aug. 30	136	Public Accounts: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of various Government Departments for Year ended 31st March, 1938. (By Act)	B.-1 [Pt. IV] Sup. to 1938.
Sept. 21	175	Public Debt Repayment: Report and Accounts of the Public Debt Commission for Year ended 31st March, 1939 (By Act)	B.-2.
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July 21	51	Reserve Bank of New Zealand: Annual Report of Board of Directors, with Statement of Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-16.
Aug. 11	90	State Advances Corporation of New Zealand: Report of Board of Management, with Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-13.
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Aug. 1	70	FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1939, by the Right Hon. M. J. Savage, Acting Minister of Finance, together with Estimates of Expenditure (Consolidated Fund and Public Works Fund) for Year ending 31st March, 1940. (By leave)	B.-6.
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Aug. 9	86	For Year 1937-38.	
Aug. 17	108	For Years 1937-38 and 1938-39.	
Aug. 29	135	For Years 1935-36, 1936-37, 1937-38, and 1938-39.	
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Sept. 19	168	For Years 1937-38 and 1938-39.	
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..	..	FLOUR AND WHEAT REGULATIONS. (Vide BOARD OF TRADE ACT, 1919.)	
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..	..	FORESTRY. (Vide STATE FOREST SERVICE.)	
..	..	FORESTS ACT, 1921-22. (Vide STATE FOREST RESERVATIONS.)	
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Aug. 3	73	GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS SUPERANNUATION FUND: Report of Board for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	D.-5.
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Aug. 25	126	For Years 1937-38 and 1938-39.	
Aug. 23	115	HAURAKI PLAINS, Drainage Operations in: Report on, with Statement of Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	C.-8.
Aug. 10	88	HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Annual Report of Director-General for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	H.-31.
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..	..	HIGHER EDUCATION. (Vide EDUCATION.)	
..	..	HONEY MARKETING REGULATIONS. (Vide AGRICULTURE (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1934.)	
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July 7	18	IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION ACT, 1908, Order in Council under the, amending Regulations relating to Certificates of Registration.	
July 7	17	IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION AMENDMENT ACT, 1920, Order in Council under the, making Regulations in regard to Permits to enter New Zealand. (By Act.)	
..	..	IMPORT CONTROL REGULATIONS, 1938: (Vide RESERVE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND AMENDMENT ACT, 1936.)	
..	..	IMPRESSMENT. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
Aug. 9	83	INDUSTRIAL AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES ACT, 1908, Order in Council under the, making the Fees Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
..	..	INDUSTRIAL EFFICIENCY ACT, 1936:—	
July 11	26	Order in Council under the, making the Industrial Efficiency (Motor-spirits Licensing) Regulations (No. 2) 1938. (By Act.)	
July 11	24	Order in Council under the, making the Industrial Efficiency (Motor-spirits Licensing) Regulations (No. 2) 1938, Amendment No. 1. (By Act.)	
July 11	25	Order in Council under the, making the Industrial Efficiency (Pharmacy) Regulations 1938. (By Act.)	
..	..	INDUSTRIAL EMERGENCY COUNCIL REGULATIONS. (Vide EMERGENCY REGULATIONS ACT, 1939.)	
Sept. 5	148	INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE, DEPARTMENT OF: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March. (By command)	H.-44.
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Aug. 8	77	For Years 1937-38 and 1938.	
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..	..	INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE, GENEVA, 1938:—	
July 21	55	Draft Convention adopted by the, at its Twenty-fourth Session. (By leave.)	
July 21	53	Report of the New Zealand Delegation. (By leave)	A.-7.
..	..	IRON AND STEEL. (Vide STATE IRON AND STEEL DEPARTMENT.)	
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Sept. 5	146	LABOUR AND IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	H.-11b.
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Sept. 12	153	LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACT, 1925: Report on Land Purchase Operations for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	C.-5.
July 18	49	LAND SETTLEMENT FINANCE ACT, 1909: Balance-sheets and Statements of Account of every Association under the, as at 31st March, 1939. (By Act.)	
July 27	63	LAND TRANSFER AND DEEDS REGISTRATION: Annual Report of Department for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	H.-3.
Aug. 23	114	LANDS AND SURVEY, DEPARTMENT OF:— Annual Report on Discharged Soldiers Settlement for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	C.-9.
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Aug. 23	117	Annual Report on National Endowments, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	C.-14.
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Aug. 23	118	Annual Report on Rangitaki Land Drainage, with Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	C.-11.
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Aug. 23	116	Annual Report on the Kauri-gum Industry, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	C.-12.
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Aug. 23	115	Annual Report, with Statement of Accounts, on Drainage Operations in Hauraki Plains, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	C.-8.
July 11	22	LEAGUE OF NATIONS:— Report of Dominion Representative on Nineteenth Assembly of the League, held in Geneva in 1938. (By command)	A.-5.
July 11	23	Report of Dominion Representative on the 101st, 102nd, 103rd, and 104th Sessions of the Council of the League, held in Geneva in 1938 and 1939. (By command)	A.-5a.
..	..	LEASES AND MORTGAGES, ADJUSTMENT OF. (Vide MORTGAGES AND LEASES.)	
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..	..	LIBRARIES, COUNTRY. (Vide COUNTRY LIBRARY SERVICE.)	
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July 11	34	LOCAL AUTHORITIES SUPERANNUATION ACT, 1908: Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts, Membership, &c., of the Auckland and Wellington Harbour Boards' Superannuation Funds, for Year ended 31st December, 1938. (By Act.)	
Aug. 9	84	LOCAL BODIES' LOANS ACT, 1926: Annual Report by Minister of Finance showing applications for State-guaranteed Loans. (By Act.)	
Sept. 13	162	LOCAL GOVERNMENT LOANS BOARD: Review of Operations for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	B.-3.
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..	..	MINING AND TIMBER, CONTROL OF. (Vide PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
Oct. 6	190	MORTGAGES AND LEASES, Report on the adjustment of. (By leave)	B.-4.
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..	..	MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS' ACCOUNTS. (By Act):— For Years 1936-37, 1937-38, and 1938-39. For Years 1935-36, 1937-38, and 1938-39.	
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Aug. 23	117	NATIONAL ENDOWMENTS, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939, with Schedule showing aggregate area of land excluded from Endowment. (By Act)	C.-14.
..	..	NATIONAL PARKS. (<i>Vide</i> PUBLIC DOMAINS AND NATIONAL PARKS ACT, 1928.)	
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Aug. 9	80	Annual Report of Board for Year ended 31st December, 1938. (By Act)	H.-17.
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..	..	NATIVE CHILDREN, EDUCATION OF. (<i>Vide</i> EDUCATION.)	
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Sept. 22	178	NATIVE PURPOSES ACT, 1937: Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 66 of 1936, of W. Baker and others; Petition No. 262 of 1936, of Kaperiera Te Pohe and others; and Petition No. 301 of 1936, of Matewai Utiera and others re Tarawera Block. (By Act)	G.-6a.
Sept. 22	179	NATIVE PURPOSES ACT, 1938: Report and Recommendation on Petition No. 177 of 1937, of Rangirumaki Peremiki, of Paeros, praying for an inquiry in respect of the ownership of Muraoteahi Block. (By Act)	G.-6a.
July 28	64	NAVAL DEFENCE—New Zealand Naval Forces: Report of Chief of Naval Staff for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By command)	H.-5.
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Sept. 5	144	Amended Regulations under the. (By Act.)	
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Sept. 20	172	Order in Council under the, amending Regulations. (By Act.)	
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July 21	52	NEW ZEALAND STANDARDS INSTITUTE: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By leave)	H.-34a.
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Aug. 22	109	OFFENDERS PROBATION ACT, 1920, Report of the Chief Probation Officer on the operations of, for Year ended 31st December, 1938. (By command)	H.-20a.
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Oct. 3	186	ORAKAI LANDS: Report of Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report on grievances alleged by Maoris in regard to certain lands at Orakei, in the City of Auckland. (By command)	G.-6.
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Sept. 28	183	Order in Council under the, making the Grape-vine Diseases Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
July 7	20	Order in Council under the, making the Nursery Registration Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
..	..	OVERSEAS PASSENGERS. (<i>Vide</i> PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932.)	
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Aug. 1	68	Order in Council under the, making the Telegraph Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	
Oct. 5	189	Orders in Council under the, making the Telephone Amending Regulations 1939; the Telegraph Regulations 1939, Amendment No. 1; the Postal-note Amending Regulations 1939; the Postal Amending Regulations 1939 (No. 1); and the Money-order Amending Regulations 1939. (By Act.)	

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Sept. 5	145	PRINTING AND STATIONERY DEPARTMENT: Annual Report for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By leave)	H.-36.
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Aug. 1	72	For Year 1938-39, also Statement showing the Public Debt of the Dominion as at 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-1 [Pt. III].
Sept. 21	176	Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of various Government Departments for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-1 [Pt. IV].
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..	..	PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION ACT, 1932:—	
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Sept. 5	149	PUBLIC SECURITIES HELD IN THE DOMINION AND ELSEWHERE as at 31st March, 1939, together with Accounts of all Securities redeemed or otherwise disposed of during the Year. (By Act)	B.-10.
Aug. 15	100	PUBLIC SERVICE ACT, 1912, Orders in Council under the, making the Public Service Remuneration Order 1938, the Public Service Amending Regulations 1938 and 1939, and the Public Service Amending Regulations 1938 (No. 2). (By Act.)	
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July 21	51	RESERVE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND: Annual Report of Board of Directors, with Statement of Accounts, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By Act)	B.-16.
..	..	RESERVE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND AMENDMENT ACT, 1936, AND CUSTOMS ACT, 1913:—	
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Aug. 23	112	SAMOA: Annual Report of the Government of New Zealand on the administration of the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa, for Year ended 31st March, 1939. (By leave)	A.-4.
Sept. 12	154	SCENERY PRESERVATION, Annual Report on, for Year ended 31st March, 1939, with Statement of Expenditure and Schedule of lands acquired and reserved during the Year. (By Act)	C.-6.
Aug. 9	85	SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE ACT, 1937: Reports and Accounts for Year ended 31st December, 1938, of the New Zealand School of Agriculture, Canterbury Agricultural College, and Massey Agricultural College. (By Act.)	
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Session.	Date commenced.	Date ended.	Total Days occupied.	Days of Meeting.	Hours sat before Midnight.	Hours sat after Midnight.	Total Number of Hours sat.	Daily Average.
1875	20 July ..	21 October ..	94	59	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
1876	15 June ..	31	139	85	..	..	418 15	7 5
1877	19 July ..	10 December ..	145	97	..	..	853 10	10 28
1878	26	2 November ..	100	64	..	..	..	..
*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	85	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	128	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	159 16	519 6	10 10
1898	24 June ..	4 November ..	134	80	509 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 20
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	59 25	432 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	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	221	104	576 54	43 57	620 51	5 58
**1937-38	9 September ..	15 March ..	188	69	385 55	19 14	405 9	5 57
1938	28 June ..	16 September ..	81	49	283 5	8 47	291 52	5 56
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‡ 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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William Alexander Bodkin, Esquire, Member for Central Otago; Harold Galt Dickie, Esquire, Member for Patea, 7/2.

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 - Local Legislation, 147/20.
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- Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act, 1939, 108/5.
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Papanui Memorial Hall Enabling Act, 1939, without amendment, 108/5.

Waikato Airport Act, 1939, without amendment, 174/8.

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Otago Presbyterian Church Board of Property Amendment Act, 1939, without amendment, 174/8.

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That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in order that the House may resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, 65/4, 68/12, 69/8, 71/10, 73/10, 76/12; Division, 65/4.

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Resolutions reported; read a second time and agreed to; referred to Ways and Means, 141/27.

Urgency accorded, 100/6.

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Considered in Committee, 118/18.

Resolutions reported; read a second time and agreed to; referred to Ways and Means, 141/27.

ESTIMATES (SUPPLEMENTARY):—

Brought down, 129/2.

Considered in Committee, 133/27.

Resolutions reported; read a second time and agreed to; referred to Ways and Means, 141/27.

IMPREST:—

Brought down, 16/5.

Considered in Committee, 16/8.

Resolutions reported; read a second time and agreed to; referred to Ways and Means, 16/8.

Urgency accorded, 16/6.

IMPREST (No. 2):—

Brought down, 91/10.

Considered in Committee, 92/12.

Resolutions reported; read a second time and agreed to; referred to Ways and Means, 92/12.

Urgency accorded, 92/12.

TAIRUA SURVEY DISTRICT:

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DEATH OF: RESOLUTION, 19/8.

URGENCY :

CLAIMED FOR PASSING OF:—

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179/14, 184/15, 189/15, 196/8, 210/9, 216/9.

Discussion for motion for, 80/9.

Customs and Excise Duties Resolutions, 56/17,
165/14.

Estimates (Main), 100/6.

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair in
order that the House may resolve itself into the
Committee of Supply, 65/4, 68/12, 69/8, 71/10,
73/10, 76/12. Division, 65/4.

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187/3.

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GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND
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Resolution, THAT THIS HOUSE DO FORTHWITH
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THE WAYS AND MEANS OF RAISING THE SUPPLY
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**WAYS AND MEANS FOR RAISING THE
SUPPLY—continued.**

Resolution, 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, 50/10.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DUTIES:—

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Resolutions reported; read a second time and
agreed to; referred to Committee on the Bill,
56/17, 165/14.

Urgency accorded, 56/17, 165/13.

ESTIMATES (CONSOLIDATED AND PUBLIC WORKS):—

In Committee, 141/28.

Resolution reported; read a second time and
agreed to; Bill ordered thereon, 142/28.

IMPREST:—

In Committee, 17/9.

Resolution reported; read a second time and
agreed to; Bill ordered thereon, 17/9.

IMPREST (No. 2):—

In Committee, 92/13.

Resolution; read a second time and agreed to;
Bill ordered thereon, 92/13.

**WILFORD, LATE SIR THOMAS MASON,
K.C.M.G., K.C. :**

DEATH OF: RESOLUTION, 19/6.

WRITS. (See under ELECTIONS.)







