

MR. PARKER suggested that the work on which the money asked for was to be expended might have some bearing on the question of whether the river could be opened up.

MR. MARMION: Under existing conditions, I am prepared for anything. I have the greatest contempt for the kind of conduct pursued lately.

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (Hon. J. A. Wright) having agreed to reduce the sum asked for from £5,000 to £3,000, the committee divided upon the motion, with the following result—

Ayes	11
Noes	10

Majority for	1
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AYES.	NOES.
Mr. E. R. Brockman	Mr. H. Brockman
Captain Fawcett	Mr. Congdon
Hon. Sir M. Fraser	Mr. Harper
Mr. James	Mr. Keane
Mr. Loton	Mr. Layman
Mr. Parker	Mr. McRae
Mr. Randell	Mr. Penrose
Mr. Shenton	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Sholl	Mr. Veau
Hon. C. N. Warton	Mr. Marmion (Teller.)
Hon. J. A. Wright	

MR. MARMION moved that the following words be added to the clause:—
 “Provided that the said sum of three thousand pounds shall be provided for and repaid to the Colonial Treasury, for the purposes of Harbor Works at Fremantle, out of the first moneys to be hereafter raised by loan.”

Clause 1, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 2 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill reported.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. Sir M. Fraser) moved that the bill be now read a third time.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a third time, and passed.

EXCESS BILL, 1886.

This bill passed through committee, and was read a third time, *sub silentio*.

The House adjourned at twenty-five minutes past twelve o'clock, a.m., on Saturday, 20th August.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Saturday, 20th August, 1887.

Clauses 45 and 46 of the Land Regulations—Message (No. 36): Replying to Addresses—Message (No. 37): Assenting to Bills and Reserving Bills—Message (No. 38): Forwarding a Proclamation proroguing the Council.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at noon.

PRAYERS.

CLAUSES 45 AND 46 OF THE LAND REGULATIONS, 1887.

MR. RANDELL, in accordance with notice, asked the Colonial Secretary if it was intended at the next session of the Council to take such steps as would bring into operation the 45th and 46th sections of the Land Regulations, 1887—(relating to setting apart agricultural areas).

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. Sir M. Fraser) said he would bring the matter before the Government.

MESSAGE (No. 36): REPLYING TO ADDRESSES.

THE SPEAKER announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:

“The Governor has the honor to inform the Honorable the Legislative Council that action will be taken in accordance with the recommendations contained in the following Addresses of the present Session from Your Honorable House:—

“No. 34, dated 15th August:—Proposals for a Grant Railway between Hampton Plains and Esperance Bay.

“No. 35, dated 16th August:—Appointment of a Commission to inquire into the system of Education in the Government Schools.

“No. 36, dated 15th August:—Appointment of a Commission to inquire into the condition of the Agricultural interests of the colony.

“No. 38, dated 15th August:—Appointment of a Commission to consider the Customs Tariff.

“No. 40, dated the 16th August:—Establishment of the Victoria Public Library.

“No. 41, dated 17th August:—Harbor Works at Fremantle.

“No. 42, dated 18th August:—Water Supply for Perth and Fremantle.

“No. 43, dated 19th August:—Harbor Trusts.

“2. With regard to Address No. 33, dated the 12th instant, suggesting additional harbor and jetty accommodation, and the provision of a water supply at Cossack, the Governor will comply with the request of the Council, should funds be available.

"3. The West Australian Land Company have, in accordance with Address of Your Honorable House No. 37, dated the 15th instant, been invited to agree to the cancellation of Clause 45 (the Immigration Clause) of the contract for the construction of a Land Grant Railway from Beverley to Albany.
"Government House, Perth, 20th August, 1887."

MESSAGE (No. 37): ASSENTING TO, AND RESERVING, BILLS.

THE SPEAKER announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:

"The Governor has the honor to inform the Honorable the Legislative Council that he has this day assented, in Her Majesty's name, to the under-mentioned Bills:—

"8. *An Act to regulate the Sale of Butterine and like Substances.*

"9. *An Act to prevent the bringing of Spirituous or Fermented Liquors on board Her Majesty's ships, and the aiding any Officer, Seaman, or Marine to desert therefrom.*

"10. *An Act to amend 'The Small Debts Ordinance, 1863.'*

"11. *An Act to authorise the Construction of the Clackline-Newcastle Railway.*

"12. *An Act to provide for the payment to the Colonial Treasurer of Fees received by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.*

"13. *An Act to further amend 'The Bills of Sale Act, 1879.'*

"14. *An Act to empower Coroners to make inquiry into the Causes of Fires.*

"15. *An Act for the Amendment of 'The Postage Stamp Ordinance, 1854.'*

"16. *An Act for the relief of Innkeepers.*

"17. *An Act to amend 'The Building Act, 1884.'*

"18. *An Act to further amend 'The Pearl Shell Fishery Regulation Acts, 1873 and 1875.'*

"19. *An Act to provide for the payment of certain additional and unforeseen Expenses in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, over and above the Estimates for that year.*

"20. *An Act for the Re-appropriation of portion of certain Moneys appropriated for certain purposes by 'The Loan Act, 1884.'*

"21. *An Act to confirm certain Expenditure for the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.*

"2. The Bill intituled 'An Act further to amend and extend 'The Telegraphic Messages Act, 1874,' concerns the election of Members of Your Honorable House, and is reserved, under the Imperial Statute to that effect, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

"3. The Governor also reserves, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, the Bill intituled 'An Act to enable Crown Lessees to proceed to Arbitration in respect of Compensation for Improvements.'

"4. The authenticated copies of the Acts are returned herewith.

"Government House, Perth, 20th August, 1887."

MESSAGE (No. 38): PROROGATION OF COUNCIL.

THE SPEAKER notified that he had also received the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:

"The Governor has the honor to transmit herewith a proclamation, under his hand and the seal of the colony, proroguing the Legislative Council to the 15th day of December next, when your Honorable House will re-assemble for the despatch of further important business.

"2. The Governor begs to thank your Honorable House for the assistance rendered in the matters which have engaged attention this session, and for the additional supplies, which shall be expended with due economy, voted for the public service of the present year.

"Government House, Perth, 20th August, 1887."

The Session then closed.