

Question—That the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question.

The House divided, with the following result:—

Ayes...	...	...	...	15
Noes...	...	...	...	8
Majority for ...				7

AYES.	NOES.
Mr. Burt	Mr. DeHamel
Mr. Clarkson	Mr. Lefroy
Mr. Connor	Mr. Loton
Mr. Cookworthy	Mr. Molloy
Mr. A. Forrest	Mr. R. F. Sholl
Mr. Hassell	Mr. H. W. Sholl
Mr. Marmion	Mr. Solomon
Mr. Paterson	Mr. Canning (Teller).
Mr. Pearse	
Mr. Piesse	
Mr. Quinlan	
Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Simpson	
Mr. Venn	
Sir J. Forrest (Teller).	

Motion put and passed, and the Bill read a second time.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The House adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

## Legislative Council,

Tuesday, 11th July, 1893.

Railways Report: delay in presentation of—Address-in-Reply: presentation of—Destructive Birds and Animals Bill: second reading—Adjournment.

THE PRESIDENT (Hon. Sir G. Shenton) took the chair at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

#### PRAYERS.

#### RAILWAYS REPORT—DELAY IN PRESENTATION OF.

THE HON. J. W. HACKETT, on behalf of the Hon. J. A. Wright, asked the Colonial Secretary,—(1) Why no report on the working of the Government Railways was presented, as usual, at the last meeting of Parliament; (2) is it the in-

tention of the Government to present such a report during the current session.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. S. H. Parker) replied: I am informed that the reason why the report in question was not presented was simply because it was not ready, and that it is the intention of the Government to present such report during this session.

#### ADDRESS-IN-REPLY—PRESENTATION OF.

At a quarter to three o'clock the Council adjourned to present the Address-in-Reply to His Excellency's Speech.

The Council re-assembled at ten minutes to three o'clock.

THE PRESIDENT took the chair, and announced that the address adopted by the Council on the 6th instant had been presented to His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with the resolution of the Council, and that His Excellency had made the following reply:—

“MR. PRESIDENT AND HONOURABLE  
“GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE  
“COUNCIL,—

“I thank you for your Address-in-Reply to my opening Speech, and for the assurance of your desire to deal with all questions that come before you in such a manner as to promote the advancement and welfare of the colony.

“Government House, Perth,  
“11th July, 1893.”

#### DESTRUCTIVE BIRDS AND ANIMALS BILL.

#### SECOND READING.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. S. H. Parker): The Bill which I have now the honour to present for the consideration of hon. members is, I am happy to say, a very simple one. It has been brought in consequent upon the resolution of this House last session asking that the importation of sparrows might be prohibited. The Government, however, thought it advisable that the measure should be a more general one, and should deal with the importation or keeping of all destructive birds and animals. It will be observed from clause 2 that “for the purposes of this Act, “destructive bird” shall mean any sparrow and other bird to which the

“Governor in Council from time to time, “by Proclamation in the *Government Gazette*, extends the provisions of this Act; and ‘destructive animal’ shall mean any animal to which the Governor “in Council from time to time by like “Proclamation extends the provisions of “this Act.” Thus it will be seen that for the present this Act will only refer to sparrows; but, if the necessity arises, any other bird or animal may, at any time, be proclaimed “destructive.” When once a bird or animal is proclaimed to be destructive provision is made to prevent such from being imported, and by clause 7 any person may be authorised to enter upon any lands for the purpose of destroying any such bird or animal. The Bill also contains certain penalties for importing or keeping birds or animals proclaimed to be destructive. I now, sir, move that the Bill be read a second time.

Question—put and passed.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Council, at 2:55 o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 18th July, at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

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## Legislative Assembly,

*Tuesday, 11th July, 1893.*

The Local Press and Foreign Telegrams—Engine Sparks Fire Prevention Bill: first reading—Return showing names, salaries, &c., of officers appointed under Loan Estimates—Return showing amount realised by issue of Treasury Bills—Correspondence re introduction of Smallpox—Presentation of the Address-in-Reply—Treasury Bills Bill: in committee—Adjournment.

The SPEAKER took the chair at 2:30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

THE LOCAL PRESS AND FOREIGN TELEGRAMS.

MR. R. F. SHOLL: I should like to ask the Government whether they are

aware of the terrible calamity and inconvenience that is likely to be felt by the community, in consequence of the announcement made in this morning's paper that foreign telegrams, in future, will not be published by the local Press; and whether the Government will at once introduce some legislation into Parliament, either by imposing a small poll tax on sheep or an import duty on newspapers, to make up for the deficiency in the revenue.

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest): I think the hon. member had better give notice.

#### ENGINE SPARKS FIRE PREVENTION BILL.

Introduced by the ATTORNEY GENERAL, and read a first time.

#### RETURN RE SALARIES, ETC., UNDER LOAN ESTIMATES.

MR. R. F. SHOLL, in accordance with notice, moved, “That the following Return be laid upon the table of the House:

A list of all officers whose salaries and allowances are provided for in page 4 of the Loan Estimates ending 30th of June, 1893, containing the following particulars:

1. Name of each officer.
2. Title of each officer.
3. Amount of salary and allowances.
4. On what work employed.
5. When appointed, and term of his engagement.

Question put and passed.

#### ISSUE OF TREASURY BILLS: RETURN SHOWING AMOUNT REALISED, ETC.

MR. R. F. SHOLL, in accordance with notice, moved, “That a Return be laid upon the table of the House, showing,—

1. The amount realised by the sale of Treasury bills, issued by the Government in May last, and to what purpose have the proceeds been applied.
2. If Post Office Savings Bank funds have been applied, showing the amount.
3. Any other trust funds at the disposal of the Government, and the amounts.
4. The necessity for the issue of Treasury bills.

Motion put and passed.