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In the FIFTY-FIRST YEAR of the Reign of

QUEEN VICTORIA,

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By The QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to the Thirtieth day of *November* instant: We, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to *Friday* the Thirteenth day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and Eighty-eight.

Given at Our Court at *Windsor*, this Twenty-eighth day of *November*, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Eighty-seven, and in the Fifty-first Year of Our Reign.

GOD save The QUEEN.

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Given at Our Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, this Twenty-ninth day of *December*, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Eighty-seven, and in the Fifty-first Year of Our Reign.

GOD save The QUEEN.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Session 1888.

Thursday, 9th February, 1888.

Message to attend the Lords Commissioners.

PRAYERS at half an hour after One of the clock.
A MESSAGE was delivered by Sir *James Drummond*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Writs issued during the Recess.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at a quarter of an hour before Four of the clock; and acquainted the House, That, in pursuance of the directions of the Acts passed in the 24th year of His Majesty King *George the Third*, c. 26, and in the 21st and 22nd years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, c. 110, and in the 26th year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, c. 20, he had issued Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out new Writs for the Election of Members to serve in the present Parliament,

For the University of *Cambridge*, in the room of the Right Honourable *Alexander James Beresford Beresford Hope*, deceased:

For the Borough of *Camberwell, Dulwich* Division, in the room of *John Morgan Howard*, Esquire, who has accepted the Office of Judge of the County Court of *Cornwall*:

For the Borough of *Winchester*, in the room of *Arthur Loftus Tottenham*, Esquire, deceased:

For the Borough of *Liverpool, Walton* Division, in the room of the Right Honourable *John George Gibson*, Sergeant at Law, who has accepted the Office of one of the Justices of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice in *Ireland*:

And also a Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament,

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For the Borough of the College of the Holy and undivided Trinity of Queen *Elizabeth*, near *Dublin*, in the room of *Dodgson Hamilton Madden*, Esquire, who has accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Southwark* (West Division), in the room of *Arthur Cohen*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Burgh of *Dundee*, in the room of *Charles Carmichael Lacaita*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Burgh, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough*, and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

Ordered, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their election for which of the places they will serve, within one week after it shall appear that there is no question upon the Return for that place; and if any thing shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in Debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their Returns are determined.

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except such Peers of *Ireland* as shall for the time being be actually elected, and shall not have declined to serve, for any County, City, or Borough of *Great Britain*, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

Resolved, That it is a high infringement of the liberties and privileges of the Commons of the United Kingdom for any Lord of Parlia-

ment, or other Peer or Prelate, not being a Peer of Ireland at the time elected, and not having declined to serve for any County, City, or Borough of Great Britain, to concern himself in the Election of Members to serve for the Commons in Parliament, except only any Peer of Ireland, at such Elections in Great Britain respectively where such Peer shall appear as a Candidate, or by himself, or any others, be proposed to be elected; or for any Lord Lieutenant or Governor of any County to avail himself of any authority derived from his Commission, to influence the Election of any Member to serve for the Commons in Parliament.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such Bribery or other corrupt practices.

Witnesses.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any Witness, in respect of his evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanor; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that, during the Session of Parliament, the passages through the Streets leading to this House be kept free and open, and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in Westminster Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

Votes and Proceedings.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Privileges.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

Outlawries Bill.

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

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Imprisonment of Members.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received the following Letters relating to the Imprisonment of certain Members of this House:—

Metropolitan Police Court,
Inns Quay, Dublin,
8th December 1887.

Mr. Timothy Daniel Sullivan's Imprisonment.

Sir,
I beg leave to inform you that, on the 2nd December instant, I convicted Mr. Timothy Daniel Sullivan, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of having "on the 29th September 1887, in a certain newspaper called 'The Nation,' purporting to bear date the 1st October 1887, under the heading of the 'Shelburne Branches of the National League,' unlawfully published within the Police District of Dublin Metropolis, with a view to promoting the objects of the Association named and described

as the Irish National League, a Notice of the proceedings of the said Association at a Meeting of the said Association held at Ramsgrange on Sunday the 25th September 1887, being a district within the Barony of Shelburne, in the County of Wexford, specified by order of the Lord Lieutenant in Council, dated 17th September 1887, made in pursuance of 'The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887,' by which order the said Association in the said District was suppressed, and which order was after and in pursuance of a Special Proclamation in pursuance of the said Act made by the Lord Lieutenant by and with the advice of the Privy Council."

And that for the said offence I sentenced Mr. Sullivan to two months' imprisonment; and that upon the same day I convicted Mr. Sullivan of a similar offence under the same Act of Parliament, and sentenced him to two months' imprisonment, to take effect concurrently with the first-mentioned sentence, and that he was accordingly committed to Her Majesty's Prison at Richmond, in the City of Dublin.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,
C. J. O'Donel,
Chief Divisional Magistrate for Police
District of Dublin Metropolis.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mitchelstown, County Cork,
Novr. 3, '87.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that Mr. William O'Brien, a Member of the House of Commons, who was convicted on the 24th of September last of an offence under the Criminal Law and Procedure Act of last Session, and sentenced to a term of three months' imprisonment, having appealed from said sentence, said appeal was heard before the Recorder of Cork County on the 31st ultimo, when the said conviction and sentence was duly confirmed, and Mr. O'Brien was thereupon committed to prison for a period of three months on a Warrant signed by me and Captain Stokes, R.M., and that he (Mr. O'Brien) is now in the Gaol at Tullamore.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obdt. Servt.,
Richard Eaton,
Resident Magistrate.

The Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Clonmel, County Tipperary,
21st December 1887.

Sir,

We beg to inform you that we have to-day convicted Mr. David Sheehy, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of having on the 6th of November 1887, at Clonmel, in the County of Tipperary, being a Proclaimed District under the provisions of "The Criminal Law and Procedure Act (Ireland), 1887," unlawfully incited certain persons to wilfully and unlawfully resist and obstruct one Gerald Fitzgerald, being Sub-Sheriff of County of Tipperary, and certain Constables and Bailiffs while in the execution of their duty as such Sub-Sheriff, Constables, and Bailiffs respectively as aforesaid. And we have sentenced him to be imprisoned in the Gaol at Clonmel for a period of one month.

And we beg to inform you that he is at present in the Prison at Clonmel.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your obedient Servants,
Albert Meldon, R.M.
D. G. Bodkin, R.M.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. David
Sheehy's
Imprisonment.

Sir,
I have the honour to inform you, as is, I believe, my duty, that after hearing an appeal at *Roscommon* under the provisions of the Criminal Law Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, *David Sheehy*, Esq., a Member of the Hon. the House of Commons, was sentenced by me to imprisonment, as a misdemeanant of the first order, for three months, beginning from 5th January 1888.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Wm. O'Connor Morris,
County Court Judge.

Mr. Alderman
J. Hooper's
Imprisonment.

Sir,
We beg leave to inform you that on the 19th inst. we convicted, under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," Mr. Alderman *John Hooper*, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of having published in the "*Cork Daily Herald*," of which he is the Editor, proceedings of Meetings of suppressed Branches of the *Irish National League*, and sentenced him to two months' imprisonment.

He is at present in the Prison of *Tullamore*.

We have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servants,
Robt. B. Stokes,
J. B. Irwin,
Resident Magistrates.

To the Rt. Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons,
The Speaker's House,
Westminster,
London, S.W.

Mr. Lane's
Imprisonment.

Sir,
I have the honour to inform you that Mr. *Lane*, M.P., was convicted at *Cork* on the 18th instant, by a Court constituted under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," and sentenced to one month's imprisonment without hard labour.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
J. B. Irwin, R.M.,
Chairman of the Court.

The Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons,
House of Commons,
London.

Mr. Joseph
R. Cox's
Imprisonment.

Sir,
We beg leave to inform you that we have to-day convicted Mr. *Joseph R. Cox*, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence "inciting certain persons unknown to take part in an unlawful assembly, to wit, a Meeting of the National League in the County of *Clare*," under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," and have sentenced him to one month's imprisonment, and that he is at present in the Prison at *Limerick*.

We have the honour to be,
Your obedient Servants,
F. G. Hodder, R.M.
Cecil R. Roche, R.M.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

County of *Donegal*.

Mr. Alexander
Blane's
Imprisonment.

Sir,
I have the honour to inform you that Mr. *Alexander Blane*, M.P., for *Louth*, *Armagh*, was brought before me, at *Letterkenny*, County *Donegal*, on the 20th ulto., under a Warrant, charging him with having, at *Derryart*, in said

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Sligo, on Circuit,
February 6, 1888.

County, on the 2nd ulto., taken part in, and incited to an unlawful conspiracy, known as the "Plan of Campaign," contrary to the provisions of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," on which charge I committed him to *Londonderry Gaol*, on remand.

On the 31st ulto. Mr. *Blane* was tried at *Dunfanagher* Petty Sessions, before me, and Mr. *Garrett Nagh*, B.L., Resident Magistrate, found guilty, and sentenced to four months' imprisonment in *Londonderry Gaol*, from which sentence he appealed, and was admitted to bail, to appear at *Letterkenny* Quarter Sessions on 18th April next, which said Appeal will be heard.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedt. Servant,
Thos. Hamilton,
Resident Magistrate.

The Right Honble.
The Speaker, M.P.,
House of Commons, Westminster.

Sir,
We beg leave to inform you that we have Mr. *Edward Harrington*, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of "That he, the said *Edward Harrington*, Esquire, Member of Parliament, on the 30th day of November 1887, in a certain Newspaper called the '*Kerry Sentinel*,' purporting to bear date the 29th November 1887, under the heading of 'The Proclamations of *Kerry*,' unlawfully published within the Petty Sessions District of *Tralee*, with a view to promote the objects of the Association known and described as the *Irish National League*, notice of the proceedings of the said Association, at a meeting of the said Association at *Tralee*, held on the 27th November 1887, being a district, to wit, within the County of *Kerry*, specified by order of the Lord Lieutenant in Council, dated the 21st November 1887, made in pursuance of the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, by which order the said Association in the said district was suppressed, and which order was, after and in pursuance of a special Proclamation, in pursuance of the said Act, made by the Lord Lieutenant, by and with the advice of the Privy Council," under the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, and have sentenced him to one month's imprisonment in the County *Kerry Gaol*, and that he is at present in the Prison at *Tralee*.

We have the honour to be,
Your humble Servants,
Cecil R. Roche, R.M.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

To the Rt. Hon. the Speaker
of the House of Commons.

Sir,
Mr. *Timothy Harrington*, M.P., was convicted at *Tralee*, before me and Colonel *Pearse*, R.M., for publishing report of suppressed meetings of the National League. He was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment, and, on application of his Counsel, a case was stated on a law point for decision of the Exchequer Division. In the meantime he was admitted to bail.

Cecil Roche, R.M. Millstreet.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received a Letter relating to the Imprisonment of Mr. *Cunningham Graham*, a Member of this House:—

Sir,
I beg leave to inform you that Mr. *Cunningham Graham*, M.P., was tried before me at the Central Criminal Court on January 16th, 17th, 18th,

Garlet, Watford, Herts,
25th January.

18th, for (1) Riot; (2) Taking part in an Unlawful Assembly; and (3) Assaults on the Police in the execution of their Duty. The Jury acquitted him of the first and third charges, but found him guilty of the second. I sentenced him to be imprisoned without hard labour for six weeks.

I have to apologise for not notifying to you this sentence earlier, and remain,

Faithfully yours,

Arthur Charles.

East India
(Statement of
Trade.)

Sir John Gorst presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of the Trade of British India with British Possessions and Foreign Countries for the Five Years, 1882-3 to 1886-7.

East India
(Loans raised
in England.)

Sir John Gorst also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Return of all Loans raised in England under the Provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 30th September 1887, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the Termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.

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

Labour
Statistics
(Rates of
Wages in
Belgium.)

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Replies to certain Questions by the Labour Commission appointed by Royal Decree in Belgium, dated 15th April 1886, as to Rates of Wages and recent fluctuations in various Industries, and as to the Condition of Workmen in Belgium.

Boilers
(Registry and
Inspection of
Land Boilers.)

Copy of Memoranda prepared for the consideration of the Right Honourable the President of the Board of Trade by one of the Assistant Secretaries of the Board, on the subjects following, viz.:

1. The Boiler Explosions Act, 1882, its Principle and working.
2. Groups of selected Cases in which inquiry has been held under that Act.
3. On the Question of certifying Boiler Attendants.
4. On the Laws of Foreign Countries on the subject of Boiler Inspection.
5. On the action which has led to Lord Stanley of Preston's Bill in its present shape.

Wages and
Effects of
Deceased
Seamen.
Forth Bridge
Railway.

Account of the Sums received and paid for the Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen in the year ended 31st March 1887.

Copy of Eighteenth and Nineteenth Quarterly Reports of Inspection, by Major General Hutchinson, R.E., and Major Marindin, R.E., C.M.G., of the Works in progress for the Construction of the Bridge over the River Forth.

Thames and
Severn Canal.

Copy of Report to the Board of Trade on the Thames and Severn Canal.

Baron Henry De Worms also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Maximum Rates and Charges which the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom are authorised to make for the Conveyance of Passengers, Animals, Goods, &c., on Railways.

Baron Henry De Worms also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Ramsgate Harbour:—Statement of the Receipts and Payments made by the Board of Trade, for the year ended 31st March 1887, together with an Account of the Receipt and Issue of Stores.

Account showing the Dues received, and Expenditure incurred, in the Construction, Repair, and Maintenance of Lighthouses in British Possessions Abroad, during the year 1886-87, prepared in pursuance of "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855" (18 & 19 Vic. c. 91, s. 8).

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

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return of the Number of Agrarian Outrages committed in Ireland which were reported to the Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary during the Half-year ended 31st December 1887.

Copy of First Annual Report of the Agricultural Adviser to the Lords of the Committee of Council for Agriculture, 1887.

Copy of Reports on the Outbreak of Rabies among the Deer in Richmond Park during the years 1886-7, by Mr. A. E. Cope, Chief Inspector, Agricultural Department, Privy Council Office, and Professor Victor Horsley, B.S., F.R.S., &c., Prof. Superintendent of the Brown Institution, Wandsworth Road, S.W.

Copy of Report of the Commission for the Publication of the Ancient Laws and Institutes of Ireland.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Numbers of Poor Law Officials, the Numbers of Indoor and Out-door Paupers, and the Cost of the Poor Law Administration in each Union in Ireland for half-year ended the 25th day of March 1887.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th October 1887, by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of Ireland, giving effect to additional Rules of Court under the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877.

Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Constabulary for the year ending 29th September 1887, made to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, under the provisions of the Statute 19 & 20 Vic. c. 69.

Copy of Time Table of Examinations for 1888, made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

Copies of Two Proclamations applying the principles of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," relating to proclaimed Districts, to the Cities of Cork and Limerick.

Copies of Four Orders in Council, dated 11th November 1887, made by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of Ireland, directing the holding of Winter Assizes at certain Places in Ireland.

Return of Number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts

Railways
(Maximum
Charges.)

Ramsgate
Harbour.

Lighthouses
Abroad.

Agrarian
Outrages
(Ireland)
(July to De-
cember 1887.)

Agriculture.

Rabies among
Deer (Rich-
mond Park.)

Ancient Laws
and Institutes
of Ireland
(Commission
for Publica-
tion.)

Poor Law
Administration
(Ireland)
(Cost.)

Supreme Court
of Judicature
(Ireland) Act,
1877.

Police
(Counties and
Boroughs.)

Intermediate
Education
(Ireland.)

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Procla-
mations.)

Winter Assizes
(Ireland.)

Land Law
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Eviction
in Notices.)

in *Ireland* under Section 7 of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1887.

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

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts, 1886 and 1887.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of the Crofters' Commission as to their proceedings under the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Acts, 1886 and 1887.

Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Scotland.)

Copy of Thirty-first detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in *Scotland* (Abstracts for 1885).

Roads and Bridges (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Determination of the Secretary for *Scotland* with respect to certain Bridges over the River *Clyde*, at *Dalmarnock*, and over the River *Kelvin*, pursuant to the 88th section of the Roads and Bridges (*Scotland*) Act, 1878.

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

Education (Science and Art.)

Sir William Hart Dyke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-fifth Report of the Science and Art Department of the Committee of Council on Education, being for 1887; together with Calendar and General Directory of the Department of Science and Art for the year 1888 (with Tables), being a Supplement to the Thirty-fifth Annual Report of that Department.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1875.

Sir William Hart Dyke also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council amending Order in Council of 26th June 1884, and altering the date of the Winter Assizes, and providing that *Croydon* shall cease to be a place for holding Assizes in *Surrey*.

Vice Admiralty Courts Act, 1863 (British Honduras.)

Copy of Order in Council, dated 28th November 1887, providing that the Fees to be taken in the Vice Admiralty Court of *British Honduras* shall be payable in Dollars, calculated at the Government rate for each year.

India Office.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 15th September 1887, approving a Representation of the Secretary of State for new and revised Appointments and Alterations of Salaries in the *India* Office Establishment.

Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1843 to 1878 (Gold Coast Colony and Lagos.)

Copy of Order in Council, dated 29th December 1887, conferring on the Legislature of (1) the *Gold Coast* Colony, and (2), of *Lagos*, powers of legislation in respect of neighbouring Protected Territories.

Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1843 to 1878 (China, Japan, and Corea.)

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 28th November 1887, entitled, "The *China*, *Japan*, and *Corea* (Consular Fees) Order in Council, 1887," and "The Consular Fees Order in Council, 1887."

Pilotage.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 28th November 1887, confirming certain Pilotage Bye-laws made by the Pilotage Authority for *Chester*.

International Copyright.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 28th November 1887, for giving effect to Provisions of the International Copyright Convention recently entered into between Her Majesty and the Governments of *Belgium*, *France*, *Germany*, *Haiti*, *Italy*, *Spain*, *Switzerland*, and *Tunis*, and to the requirements of the Act, and revoking certain Orders in Council mentioned in the second Schedule to such Order.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

Copy of Statute passed by the Governing Body of *Christchurch*, *Oxford*, on the 4th May 1887, altering Statute XXII. of the Statutes of the House, and Statute made by the Governing Body of *Pembroke College*, *Oxford*, on the 14th June 1887, altering Statute VI., Clause 8, of the Statutes of the College.

Explosives Act, 1875.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 29th December 1887, declaring Picric Acid, with certain exceptions, to be an Explosive within the meaning of "The Explosives Act, 1875."

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Copies of Twenty-one Orders in Council, relating to the Winter Assizes of 1888.

Winter Assizes Acts, 1876 and 1877.

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

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports from Her Majesty's Diplomatic and Consular Officers Abroad on the subject of Trade and Finance. Numbers 223 to 252.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copy of Reports from Her Majesty's Diplomatic and Consular Officers Abroad on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest. Numbers 64 to 79.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting the proposed International Convention for securing the Free Navigation of the *Suez Canal*.

Egypt (No. 1, 1888.)

Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of *Central Asia* (in continuation of "Central Asia, No. 2, 1887").

Central Asia (No. 1, 1888.)

Copy of Correspondence and Agreement between the *British* and *French* Governments respecting the *New Hebrides*.

France (No. 1, 1888.)

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

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return showing the Establishment of each Regiment of Militia in the United Kingdom; the Numbers Present, Absent, and Wanting to Complete; and the Number of Militia Reserve Men Enrolled and Effective at the Training of 1887 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 4966, of Session 1887).

Army (Militia Training Establishment.)

Copy of Yeomanry Cavalry Training Return, showing the Enrolled Strength, and State of Corps in the Yeomanry Cavalry, at the Annual Inspection, 1887.

Army (Yeomanry Cavalry.)

Mr. Secretary Stanhope also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 15th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return for 1886 of each Regiment of Cavalry, Battery of Artillery, Company of Engineers, and Battalion of Infantry, respectively, of the Number and Proportion to Average Strength of, First, General; Second, District or Garrison and Regimental Courts Martial; Third, Minor Punishments; Fourth, Desertions; and Fifth, Stations (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 155, of Session 1887).

Army (Courts Martial.)

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

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Meteorological Council of the Royal Society for the year ended 31st March 1887.

Meteorology.

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Warrant, dated 1st December 1887, appointing Mr. George Chew to be a Special Commissioner of Income Tax.

Income Tax (Special Commissioner.)

Copy of Treasury Minute, directing the discontinuance of the Return entitled, a Statement of the Expenses incurred under the Acts for the Redemption of the Land Tax, and for discharging the Incidental Expenses attending the execution of those Acts.

Land Tax.

Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Commissioners of *Chelsea Hospital* in respect of Army Prize and Legacy Funds, for the year ended 31st March 1887, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Chelsea Hospital.

Account, showing the Money raised and issued under the Provisions of the Military Forces Localisation Act (35 & 36 Vic. c. 68), the Securities created in respect thereof, and the Amount expended for the purposes of the said Act, to 31st March 1887; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Military Forces Localisation (Appropriation Account.)

Mr.

Post Office
Telegraphs
Capital
Account.

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Account of Receipts and Payments by the Postmaster General in respect of Telegraph Undertakings, Extensions, &c., for the year ended 31st March 1887, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

British
Bechuanaland.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 18th November 1887, directing the Accounts of *British Bechuanaland* shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General.

Duchy of
Lancaster.

An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, in the year ended 21st December 1887:—Also, a separate Account of the Capital of the said Duchy to same Date.

Sea and Coast
Fisheries'
Fund (Ireland).

Account of Receipts and Payments by the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*, on account of Sea and Coast Fisheries Fund for the year ended 31st December 1887.

Irish Repro-
ductive Loan
Fund.

Account of Receipts and Payments by the Commissioners of Public Works (*Ireland*), on account of the *Irish Reproductive Loan Fund*, for the year ended 31st December 1887.

Superannua-
tion Act, 1884.

Copies of Treasury Minutes declaring that the following Persons in the under-mentioned Departments were appointed to the Offices set against their Names without the Grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of their Department,—

Post Office:—

Margaret Thom, Assistant Supervisor, *Glasgow* (dated 20th October 1887).

Queen's College, *Galway*:—

James Loftus, Clerk to the Registrar (dated November 1887);

Michael Walsh, College Porter (dated November 1887);

Luke Toney, Library Porter (dated November 1887);

William Ryan, Assistant Natural Philosophy and Chemical Departments (dated November 1887);

Thomas Brady, Museum Porter; and

John Carroll, Superintendent of College Grounds (dated November 1887).

War Office:—

Edmund Potter, Labourer, *Woolwich* (dated 6th October 1887).

Henry Dudley Harris, Lad, Royal Carriage Department (dated 10th November 1887);

Charles Fuller, Labourer, Ordnance Store Department (dated 6th December 1887);

Henry Huseman, Labourer, Ordnance Store Department (dated 6th December 1887);

James Page, Labourer, *Woolwich* (dated 6th December 1887);

James Hart, Labourer, *Woolwich* (dated 6th December 1887).

Queen's College, *Cork*:—

Daniel Donohue, Museum Attendant (dated 9th January 1888);

Timothy Rearden, Fireman (dated 9th January 1888);

Nicholas Bentley, Gate Porter (dated 9th January 1888);

Thomas Murphy, Anatomical Attendant (dated 9th January 1888);

Charles M'Carthy, Gardener; and

Maurice Dooley, Assistant Gardener (dated 9th January 1888).

Superannua-
tion Act, 1887.

Copies of Rules and Warrant framed by the Treasury, under Clauses 6 and I. of the Superannuation Act of 1887.

Superannua-
tions.

Copies of Four Treasury Minutes granting Special Retired Allowances to the undermentioned persons, viz., in the Admiralty—

John Wood, Established Joiner, *Devonport Yard* (dated 15th September 1887).

John Thomas, Established Skilled Labourer,

Pembroke Yard (dated 16th September 1887).

C. H. Pilton, Established Shipwright, *Chatham Yard* (dated 29th September 1887).

J. W. E. Pallett, Shipwright, *Devonport Yard* (dated 22nd October 1887).

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th September 1887, cancelling Treasury Minute of 24th August 1860, so far as it relates to persons appointed to the Office of Surveyor of Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th December 1887, declaring the East and West Coasts of *Africa*, as far south as the Boundaries of *Natal* in the East, and *Cape Colony* in the West, and in *Central Africa*, to be unhealthy places for the purposes of "The Superannuation Acts, 1859 and 1876."

Sir *Henry Holland* presented, by Her Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copy of Reports on Blue Books for 1886: I. *Virgin Islands*; II. *Mauritius Seychelles and Rodrigues*; and, III. *Gambia* (in continuation of [C. 5239] September 1887).

Copy of Report on the Locust Campaign of Cyprus (Locust Campaign) 1886-87, by Mr. S. Brown, M.F.C.E., Government Engineer, *Cyprus* (in continuation of [C. 4960] February 1887).

Copy of Report by Her Majesty's Acting Cyprus High Commissioner for the year ending 31st March 1887 (in continuation of [C. 4961] February 1887).

Sir *Henry Holland* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing, with regard to the *West Indian Colonies*:—1. The Total Amount of Revenue collected for all purposes of Government, both Local and General, in the several *British Colonies* of the *West Indies* for the last Five Years;—2. The Nature of the Taxation under which the several Sums were collected in each Colony for the same Period, showing the Amounts received under each separate Form of Taxation:—3. The Nature of the Public Bodies which have authority to impose Taxation and to authorise Expenditure in each Colony; the Number of the Members of each such Public Body, giving the Number of Elective and Nominated Members in each; if elective, in whole or in part, stating the Qualifications which entitle the Public to vote and the Number of Voters; also stating the proportion of Official Members in every such Body, and of Nominated and Elective Members:—4. The authority possessed by each such Body in each Colony with regard to the raising and Expenditure of Local and General Revenues, and the authority possessed by the Governor in regard to Fiscal Legislation in each Colony.

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

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Tithes sold by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners from the 12th day of January 1874 to the 24th day of July 1887, stating the Parish and Amount of Rent-charge, and the purpose to which such Rent-charge was previously applied (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 393, of Session 1874).

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court, dated December 1887, and Order as to Fees, dated December 1887.

Copy

Supreme Court
(Guardianship
of Infants Act,
1886.)

Deeds of
Arrangement
Act, 1887.

Bankruptcy
(Discharge and
Closure) Act,
1887.

Mersey Docks
and Harbour
Board.
Lunacy.

Loan Societies.

Mr. Speaker
reports Her
Majesty's
Speech.

Copy of Rules under "The Guardianship of Infants Act, 1886."

Copies of Rules and Order as to Fees, dated December 1887, under "The Deeds of Arrangement Act, 1887."

Copy of General Rules and Order as to Fees and *Per-Centages*, dated December 1887, under "The Bankruptcy (Discharge and Closure) Act, 1887."

The Accounts of the *Mersey Docks and Harbour Board*, for the year ending 1st July 1887.

Copy of Report made to the Lord Chancellor under the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1862, by the Visitors of Lunatics, of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the said Visitors, between the 1st day of January 1887 and 30th day of June 1887:—And, Return to the Lord Chancellor of all Sums received by the Commissioners in Lunacy for Travelling Expenses and Personal Expenses during the year ended 31st December 1887:—And also, Copy of Return made to the Lord Chancellor under the Act 8 & 9 Vic. c. 100, s. 88, of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the several Commissioners in Lunacy, during the year ended 31st December 1887.

Abstract of Accounts of Loan Societies in *England and Wales*, to 31st December 1886, furnished to the Central Office for the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been at the House of Peers, at the desire of the Lords Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal for holding this present Parliament, and that the Lord High Chancellor, being one of the said Commissioners, delivered Her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament in pursuance of Her Majesty's commands, and of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a Copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

I continue to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world.

My Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of *Russia*, have completed the demarcation of the *Afghan* boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. I trust that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their *Asiatic* possessions.

Animated by a desire to prevent the effusion of blood, I despatched a Mission to the King of *Abyssinia*, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with *Italy*. I deeply regret that My efforts have not been successful.

The deliberations of the Conference assembled at *Washington* to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of *Canada* and the *United States* are still in progress.

The negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the *Suez Canal* have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Myself and the *French Republic* are concerned.

I have also entered into an Agreement with the *French Republic* for the protection of life and property in the group of the *New Hebrides* by a Joint Naval Commission.

A Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned

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in *London* in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before you, have been framed with due regard to economy. You will be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defence of the ports and coaling stations of My Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of Military science. You will also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australasian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The measures which, at the cost of great labour, you passed during the last Session for the benefit of *Ireland* have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed.

The result of this legislation, so far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. Agrarian crime has diminished; and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Measures tending to develop the resources of *Ireland*, and to facilitate an increase in the number of the proprietors of the soil, will be laid before you.

Your attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and measures will be submitted to you for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers.

The prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which I have been able to point for many years past. I deeply regret that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of Agriculture. I commend the interests of that great industry to your attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours.

You will be invited to consider Legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents.

Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish Universities*, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland*, will be laid before you; and proposals will be submitted to you for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation.

In these and all other efforts that you may make to promote the well-being of My People, I pray that you may be guided by the hand of Almighty God.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly

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To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish* Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland* will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's People we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 10th February, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Trade and a Copy of Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each Month No. 1. during the year 1888.

Baron Henry De Worms accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Emigration a Copy of Statistical Tables relating to Emigration and Immigration from and into the United Kingdom in the year 1887, and Report to the Board of Trade thereon. No. 2.

Baron Henry De Worms accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Railways, &c. a Copy of Report by the Board of Trade upon Bills all the Railway, Canal, Tramway, Subway, Gas, and Water Bills of Session 1888; together with Statements relating to Applications to the Board of Trade for Provisional Orders for Tramways and Gas and Water. No. 3.

Baron Henry De Worms accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered,

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 10th February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills.

THE Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That, in accordance with Standing Order 79, he had conferred with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and that they had determined that the Bills contained in the following List should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

1. *Aberpergum Estate (Bridges).*
2. *Airdrie and Coatbridge Water.*
3. *Aire and Calder Navigation.*
4. *Assam Company.*
5. *Barking Parish Division.*
6. *Bexley Heath Railway.*
7. *Bexley Heath Railway (Abandonment).*
8. *Birmingham and Humber Navigation.*
9. *Blackburn Corporation Tramways.*
10. *Bridgewater Railway.*
11. *Brighton Marine Palace and Pier.*
12. *Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway.*
13. *Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment).*
14. *Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Extension of Time).*
15. *Cheadle Railway Mineral and Land Company.*
16. *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways.*
17. *Chingsford and Sewardstone Lighting.*
18. *Clyde Navigation.*
19. *Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway.*
20. *Colonial Bank.*
21. *Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway.*
22. *Drighlington Gas.*
23. *East and West Yorkshire Union Railways.*
24. *Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas.*
25. *Edinburgh and Leith Gas.*
26. *Epping Church.*
27. *Falkirk and District Water.*
28. *Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe Tramways.*
29. *Forth Bridge Railway.*
30. *Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.*
31. *Fylde Water.*
32. *Glasgow and Suburban Subways.*
33. *Glasgow Central Railway.*
34. *Glasgow Corporation.*
35. *Golden Valley Railway.*
36. *Govan Burgh.*
37. *Greenock Harbour.*
38. *Hamilton Water.*
39. *Henley-on-Thames Gas.*
40. *Highland and Dundee (Direct) Railway.*
41. *Hinckley Local Board Water.*
42. *Holsworthy and Bude Railway.*
43. *Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction Railway and Dock and other Companies (No. 1).*
44. *Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction Railway and Dock and other Companies (No. 2).*

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45. *Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment).*
46. *James Lewis and Son's Liverpool Copper Wharf Company.*
47. *Keble College.*
48. *Lambourn Valley Railway.*
49. *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers).*
50. *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Capital).*
51. *Leeds White Cloth Hall.*
52. *Life Association of Scotland.*
53. *Lincoln Corporation.*
54. *Lincolnshire Police Superannuation.*
55. *Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway.*
56. *Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company.*
57. *Liverpool Overhead Railway.*
58. *Lloyd's.*
59. *London and Blackwall Railway.*
60. *London Sea Water Supply.*
61. *Longton Corporation Water.*
62. *Lynmouth and Lynton Lift.*
63. *Manchester Ship Canal.*
64. *Medina Subway.*
65. *Mersey Railway (No. 1).*
66. *Mersey Railway (No. 2).*
67. *Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways.*
68. *Nar Valley Drainage.*
69. *Newcastle-upon-Tyne (St. Mary's Hospital, &c.)*
70. *New Zealand and Australian Land Company.*
71. *North British Railway.*
72. *North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension).*
73. *North Cornwall Railway.*
74. *North Sea Fisheries (East Lincolnshire) Harbour and Dock.*
75. *North Staffordshire Water.*
76. *Perth Water and Gas.*
77. *Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway.*
78. *Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway.*
79. *Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway (River Tavy).*
80. *Porthdinlleyn Railway.*
81. *Preston Corporation.*
82. *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways.*
83. *Seafeld Dock and Railway.*
84. *Sheerness Pier.*
85. *Shropshire Railways.*
86. *Southampton Street Tramways.*
87. *South Lincolnshire Fen Water.*
88. *South Staffordshire Water.*
89. *Staffordshire Potteries Water.*
90. *Stirling and Western Direct Railway.*
91. *Surrey County Loans.*
92. *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation.*
93. *Vale of Clyde Tramways.*
94. *Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust.*
95. *Wirral Railway.*
96. *Worcester and Broom Railway.*

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide First Report.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Departmental Commission on Agricultural and Dairy Schools, 1887.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the circumstances attending an Explosion which took place at the Kennall Vale Gunpowder Factory, on the 7th November 1887, by Major J. P. Cundill, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives.

Explosions (Kennall Vale Gunpowder Factory.)

Irish Public Works (Royal Commission.) Copy of the Second Report of the Royal Commission on *Irish Public Works*.

Capital Sentences.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of amended Rules made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department for regulating the execution of Capital Sentences.

Prisons (England and Wales.)

Copy of an Order made by the Secretary of State as to the discontinuance of *Manchester Prison*, under the Prisons Act, 1877.

Polling Districts (Derbyshire.)

Copy of Order of Quarter Sessions altering the Polling Districts of the County of *Derbyshire*.

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

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 253 to 257.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 80 and 81.

Venezuela, No. 1 (1888.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting the cases of the *British Ships "Henrietta" and "Josephine,"* the *Trinidad Flat "L'Envieuse,"* and Mr. *R. G. Chambers*.

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

Lews.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary for *Scotland* on the Condition of the Cottar Population of the *Lews*.

Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, No. 4.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme under the Educational Endowments (*Scotland*) Act, 1882, approved by the *Scottish Education Department*, for the Management of the Endowments in the Parish of *Old Deer* and County of *Aberdeen*, known as *Watt's Bequest*, the *Shirras Mortification*, and *Morrison's Bequest*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Educational Endowments (*Scotland*) Act, 1882, be printed.

Edinburgh Burgh (West Division.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Burgh of *Edinburgh*, West Division, in the room of *Thomas Ryburn Buchanan*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Burgh, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

York, West Riding, Southern Part (Doncaster Division.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Southern Part of the West Riding of *Yorkshire*, *Doncaster Division*, in the room of *Walter Shirley Shirley*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

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from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

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To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the *French Republic* for the protection of life and property in the group of the *New Hebrides* by a Joint Naval Commission:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in *London* in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australasian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the measures which, at the cost of great labour, were passed during the last Session for the benefit of *Ireland* have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that the result of this legislation, so far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. That agrarian crime has diminished; and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Also, that measures tending to develop the resources of *Ireland*, and to facilitate an increase in the number of the proprietors of the soil, will be laid before us:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

Humbly

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Her Majesty has been able to point for many years past. To assure Her Majesty that we join with Her Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. To thank Her Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the Scottish Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in Scotland will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us: and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's people we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Land Law
(Ireland) Acts
Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Land Law (Ireland) Acts: And that Mr. Parnell, Mr. Justin M'Carthy, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Dillon, Mr. O'Brien, and Mr. Timothy Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Marriage with
a Deceased
Wife's Sister.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Law as to Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister: And that Mr. Heneage, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Burt, Mr. Charles Cameron, Mr. Jesse Collings, Mr. Herbert Gardner, Mr. Robert Reid, and Mr. T. W. Russell do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Houses
(Ireland)
(Saturday
Closing)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to close Public Houses at an Earlier Hour on Saturdays in Ireland: And that Mr. T. W. Russell, Mr. Johnston, and Mr. Lea do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the payment of the Expenses of Returning Officers at Parliamentary Elections in Scotland, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. Esslemont, Sir George Trevelyan, Mr. Hunter, and Mr. M' Ewan do prepare, and bring it in.

Agricultural
Tenants (Ire-
land) Relief.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of Agricultural Tenants in Ireland: And that Mr. Blane, Mr. Biggar, Mr. M'Cartan, Mr. Chance, Mr. Timothy Healy, and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better government of Counties in Ireland: And that Mr. Carew, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Timothy Harrington, Mr. Arthur O'Connor, and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, Oaths, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of amending the Law as to Oaths:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law as to Oaths.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law as to Oaths:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. Bradlaugh, Sir John Simon, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Courtney Kenny, Mr. Burt, Mr. Coleridge, Mr. Illingworth, Mr. Richard, Colonel Eyre, and Mr. Jesse Collings do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Earlier Closing of Shops, and to make further Provision with respect to Trading on Sunday: And that Sir John Lubbock, Mr. John Barry, Mr. Burt, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Sir Walter Foster, and Mr. Whitley do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the creation of Small Holdings of Land: And that Mr. Jesse Collings, Mr. Robert Reid, Mr. Burt, Mr. Winterbotham, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Cobb, Mr. Newnes, Mr. Cyril Flower, and Mr. Pitt Lewis do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Election and Constitution of Boards of Guardians in Ireland: And that Mr. Harris, Mr. J. F. X. O'Brien, Mr. Thomas Gill, Colonel Nolan, Mr. Timothy Healy, and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Parliamentary Franchise to Women: And that Baron Dimsdale, Mr. Woodall, Sir Robert Fowler, Sir William Houldsworth, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Illingworth, Mr. Maclure, Mr. Stansfeld, and Dr. Cameron do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Provisions of the Education (Scotland) Acts relating to the payment of School Fees for Children of Poor Parents: And that Mr. Caine, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Thorburn do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the payment of School Fees of Non-Pauper Children: And that Mr. Llewellyn, Sir Richard Paget, Mr. Hobhouse, Mr. Whitmore, and Mr. Quilter do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Local Government of the Metropolis.

polis and other Matters connected therewith: And that Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Kimber, General Goldsworthy, Mr. Baumann, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Hunt, Sir Guyer Hunter, and Colonel Duncan do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Municipal Franchise in Ireland: And that Mr. Henry Campbell, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Timothy Healy, Mr. Carew, Mr. T. D. Sullivan, Mr. Gray, and Sir Thomas Esmonde do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Elections.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate, simplify, and amend the Law relating to Parliamentary Elections, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. Howell, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. Pickersgill, Mr. Sydney Buxton, Mr. Fenwick, Dr. Hunter, Mr. Warrington, and Mr. Bowen Rowlands do prepare, and bring it in.

Libel Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Libel: And that Sir Algernon Borthwick, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Jennings, Dr. Cameron, Mr. John Morley, and Mr. E. Dwyer Gray do prepare, and bring it in.

Labourers (Ireland) Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Labourers (Ireland) Acts: And that Mr. Stuck, Mr. Matthew Kenny, Mr. Parnell, Mr. Sexton, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. Tuite, and Mr. Lalor do prepare, and bring it in.

Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Houses in Towns in Ireland: And that Mr. Foley, Dr. Fox, Mr. Crilly, Colonel Nolan, Mr. Peter M'Donald, and Mr. Timothy Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Justices of the Peace.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the purpose of amending the Law in regard to the Appointment, Qualification, and Removal of Justices of the Peace: And that Mr. Seale-Hayne, Mr. Coleridge, Mr. Howell, Mr. Rendel, and Sir Bernhard Samuelson do prepare, and bring it in.

Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to entitle Agricultural Labourers in Scotland to certain Holidays in lieu of Fair Days and Fast Days: And that Mr. Thorburn, Mr. Barclay, and Mr. Bolton do prepare, and bring it in.

Licensing Laws.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of amending the Licensing Laws:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Laws.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Laws:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Sir William Houldsworth, Colonel Bridgeman, Mr. Samuel Smith, and Mr. Whitmore do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to National School Teachers in Ireland: And that Mr. Moyne, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Peter M'Donald, Mr. Tuite, Mr. John O'Connor, and Mr. E. Harrington do prepare, and bring it in.

National School Teachers (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Registration of Dishonoured Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and to allow Summary Judgment thereon: And that Mr. Hunter, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Bradlaugh, Mr. Barclay, Mr. S. Williamson, and Mr. Esslemont, do prepare, and bring it in.

Bills of Exchange Registration.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of enabling Owners and Occupiers in Towns and Districts in Ireland to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Ireland.)

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Towns and Districts in Ireland to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Towns and Districts in Ireland to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. Johnston, Mr. T. W. Russell, Mr. John Redmond, Mr. De Cobain, and Mr. Jordan do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Employers' Liability Act, 1880": And that Mr. Byrne, Mr. Arthur O'Connor, Mr. W. A. Macdonald, Mr. Chance, Mr. Clancy, and Mr. Sexton do prepare, and bring it in.

Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law as to Ecclesiastical Assessments in Scotland: And that Mr. James A. Campbell, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Haldane, Mr. Edmund Robertson, Mr. Thorburn, and Mr. Mark Stewart do prepare, and bring it in.

Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Provisions of the Church Buildings Acts relating to the Compulsory Purchase of Sites for Churches and Burial Grounds: And that Mr. Francis S. Powell, Mr. John Talbot, Mr. Addison, and Mr. Tomlinson do prepare, and bring it in.

Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Representation of the People: And that Mr. Murphy, Mr. Timothy Harrington, Mr. Chance, Mr. Maurice Healy,

Representation of the People Acts Amendment.

Healy, Mr. O'Doherty, and Mr. Timothy Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

University
Education
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend University Education in Ireland: And that Mr. Biggar, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dillon, Dr. Fox, Mr. Thomas Gill, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. Clancy, Dr. Kenny, and Mr. Timothy Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Registration of
Firms.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Registration of Firms: And that Sir Albert Rollit, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Sir Robert Fowler, Mr. Lockwood, Mr. Woodall, Mr. MacLure, Mr. W. L. Bright, Mr. John Barry, and Mr. Seale-Hayne do prepare, and bring it in.

Fishery Acts
Amendment
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Fishery Acts (Ireland): And that Colonel Nolan, Mr. E. Harrington, Mr. Peter McDonald, and Mr. Foley do prepare, and bring it in.

Technical
Education
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to promote Technical Education in Ireland: And that Mr. Kilbride, Mr. T. D. Sullivan, Mr. Peter McDonald, Mr. Mayne, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Alderman Hooper do prepare, and bring it in.

Glebe Lands
Occupation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Occupation of Glebe Lands by Incumbents in England: And that Mr. Mowbray, Mr. Childers, Mr. John Talbot, and Mr. Tomlinson do prepare, and bring it in.

Suffragans'
Nomination.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of amending an Act of 26 Hen. 8, c. 14, intituled, "An Act for the Nomination of Suffragans and the consecration of them":—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of 26 Hen. 8, c. 14, intituled, "An Act for the Nomination of Suffragans and the consecration of them."

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Courtney accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of 26 Hen. 8, c. 14, intituled, "An Act for the Nomination of Suffragans and the consecration of them":—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. John Talbot, Baron Dimsdale, Mr. Francis Powell, Admiral Field, Mr. Penrose FitzGerald, and Mr. Dixon-Hartland do prepare, and bring it in.

Pointing
(Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Pointing in Scotland: And that Mr. Watt, Mr. Bolton, Mr. M'Ewan, Mr. Baird, and Mr. Howell do prepare, and bring it in.

Theatres
(Metropolis.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of Theatres and Music Halls in the Metropolis: And that Mr. Dixon-Hartland, Mr. Woodall, Mr. Lawson, and Sir Albert Rollit do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Small Debts Bill to extend and amend the Law relating to the Recovery of Small Debts in Scotland: And that Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Thorburn, and Mr. Provand do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Franchise Extension Bill to amend the Law relating to the Representation of the People: And that Mr. Walter McLaren, Mr. Woodall, Sir Albert Rollit, Dr. Cameron, Mr. Edwards-Heathcote, Mr. Arthur Williams, and Mr. Howarth do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Turbary (Ireland) Bill to amend "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," in relation to Turbary: And that Mr. Lea, Mr. T. W. Russell, and Mr. Sinclair do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a School Board for London (Pensions) Bill to enable the School Board for London to guarantee Superannuation Allowances from the Funds at their disposal: And that Sir Richard Temple, Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth, Mr. M'Arthur, Sir Guyer Hunter, Mr. Francis Powell, and Mr. Gent-Davis do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Slavery Law Consolidation Bill to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Slavery: And that Mr. Alfred Pease, Sir Robert Fowler, Sir John Kennaway, Mr. Winterbotham, and Mr. Henry Anstruther do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Piers and Harbours (Ireland) Bill to amend and extend the Law relating to Piers and Harbours in Ireland: And that Mr. M'Cartan, Mr. Clancy, Dr. Fox, and Mr. Carew do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Fairs and Markets (Ireland) Bill to amend the Law relating to Fairs and Markets in Ireland: And that Mr. Crilly, Dr. Tanner, Dr. Commins, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Lane, and Dr. Kenny do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill to make provision for the Use, subject to certain Restrictions, of Rooms in Public Elementary Schools for Meetings of Parliamentary Electors: And that Mr. Herbert Gardner, Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth, Mr. Heneage, Mr. Maitland, Mr. Channing, Mr. Cobb, and Mr. Stevenson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Port and Harbour Authorities in Ireland Bill to amend the Law relating to Port and Harbour Authorities in Ireland: And that Mr. J. F. X. O'Brien, Mr. Peter McDonald, Mr. T. Harrington, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Dwyer Gray, and Mr. Hooper do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill to amend "The Building Societies Act, 1874": And that Mr. O'Neill, Colonel Saunderson, and Colonel Waring do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Churches, &c. Bill to facilitate the acquiring of Sites for Churches and Schools, and for Residences for Clergymen and School Teachers in Ireland: And that Mr. Peter McDonald, Colonel Nolan, Mr. Mayne, Mr. Byrne, and Mr. Jordan do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill for the Revision of the Charges of Railway and Canal Companies, and for other purposes relating

relating thereto: And that Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Mr. A. H. Acland, Mr. Barran, Mr. Dwyer Gray, Mr. Hunter, Mr. J. Maclean, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Winterbotham, and Mr. Woodall do prepare, and bring it in.

Belfast Government. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Government of Belfast: And that Mr. Tuite, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Biggar, Mr. M'Cartan, Mr. O'Kelly, and Mr. O'Doherty do prepare, and bring it in.

Friendly Societies (Transmission of Money.) Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Free Transmission through the Post Office of Benefits from Friendly Societies to their Members: And that Viscount Curzon, Sir Edward Birkbeck, Sir John Kennaway, Mr. Tomlinson, Sir Albert Rollit, and Mr. Grotrian do prepare, and bring it in.

Charities (Restitution.) Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Recovery of Rent-charges and other payments owing to Charities: And that Sir Walter Foster, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Cobb, Mr. John Ellis, Mr. Robert Reid, and Mr. Arthur Williams do prepare, and bring it in.

Technical Education. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for Technical Education in England and Wales: And that Sir Henry Roscoe, Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Mr. G. Dixon, and Mr. Arthur Acland do prepare, and bring it in.

School Board Elections (Scotland.) Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the provisions of "The Education (Scotland) Act, 1872," with regard to voting at Elections of School Boards: And that Mr. Shiress Will, Mr. M'Lagan, and Mr. Eslemont do prepare, and bring it in.

Accumulations. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Accumulations: And that Mr. Cozens-Hardy, Mr. Elton, and Mr. Haldane do prepare, and bring it in.

Deacons (Church of England.) Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts 41 Geo. 3, c. 63, and 1 and 2 Vic. c. 106, so far as they relate to Deacons of the Church of England: And that Mr. Gedge, Sir John Kennaway, Sir Robert Fowler, and Lord Henry Bruce do prepare, and bring it in.

Whipping. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law in relation to Punishment by Whipping: And that Mr. Milvain, Sir Matthew Ridley, Mr. Wharton, Mr. Fulton, and Mr. Samuel Smith do prepare, and bring it in.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886); And that Mr. Anderson, Dr. Hunter, Mr. Eslemont, and Mr. A. Sutherland do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary and Municipal Electors (Registration.) Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the Registration of Electors at Parliamentary and Municipal Elections in England, modifying, with a view to the Simplification of their Registration, the Qualification of such Electors: And that Mr. Stansfeld, Mr. Childers, and Sir Charles Russell do prepare, and bring it in.

Trees (Ireland.) Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to encourage the Planting of Trees and Osiers in Ireland: And that Mr. Nolan, Mr. Chance, Mr. Gilhooly, Mr. Marum, and Mr. Sheehan do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to promote Intermediate Education in Wales: And that Mr. Mundella, Mr. Osborne Morgan, Mr. Richard, Sir Hussey Vivian, Mr. Rathbone, Mr. Stuart Rendel, and Mr. William Abraham do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Agricultural Holdings in England: And that Mr. Channing, Mr. Cobb, Mr. Arthur Williams, and Mr. Francis Stevenson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enlarge the Powers of Limited Owners of Land in Scotland: And that Mr. Haldane, Mr. Asquith, Mr. J. B. Balfour, Mr. Arthur Elliott, Mr. Mark Stewart, Lord Elcho, and Mr. Ferguson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Administration of Charities in Ireland: And that Mr. P. J. Power, Mr. Sexton, Mr. M'Cartan, Mr. Henry Campbell, and Mr. Crilly do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Detention of Juries on the Trial of Felonies: And that Mr. Lockwood, Mr. Finlay, and Mr. Howard Vincent do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove the Disabilities of Soldiers and Sailors to be registered as Voters at Parliamentary Elections: And that Mr. Jeffreys, Mr. Mowbray, Mr. Howard Vincent, Mr. Whitmore, and Colonel Hughes do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Repeal of Solicitors' Annual Certificate Duty: And that Mr. O'Hea, Mr. Arthur O'Connor, Mr. Dwyer Gray, Mr. Sexton, Mr. M'Cartan, and Mr. Deasy do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform the Constitution of Parochial Boards in Scotland, and the mode of electing the Members of such Boards: And that Dr. Cameron, Mr. Barclay, and Mr. Preston Bruce do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Reproductive Loan Fund (Ireland) Acts: And that Mr. Hayden, Dr. Connolly, Mr. O'Kelly, and Mr. Conway do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the payment of Expenses to be incurred by Returning Officers at Parliamentary Elections out of Local Rates: And that Mr. Childers, Mr. Stansfeld, Mr. John Morley, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Asquith, and Mr. Picton do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Employers' Liability Act, 1880:" And that Mr. Burt, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Joicey, Mr. Haldane, and Mr. Lockwood do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure one uniform Scale of Rates and Charges for the Carriage of common kinds of Fish by the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom: And that Sir Edward Birkbeck, Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Hunter, Colonel Nolan, Mr. Barclay, Mr. Mallock, Mr. Gilhooly, and Sir Albert Rollit do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered,

Friendly
Societies Act
(1875) Amend-
ment (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875:" And that Mr. Francis Stevenson, Sir Edward Birkbeck, Sir Savile Crossley, Mr. Channing, Mr. Burt, and Mr. Mason do prepare, and bring it in.

Leaseholders
(Purchase of
Fee Simple.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Leaseholders of Houses to purchase the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And that Mr. Lawson, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. J. Rowlands, Mr. Warmington, Mr. R. Reid, Sir John Puleston, and Mr. Thomas Ellis do prepare, and bring it in.

Herring
Fishery (Scot-
land.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Acts, and for other purposes: And that Colonel Malcolm and Mr. Finlay do prepare, and bring it in.

Sale of Intoxi-
cating Liquors
on Sunday.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday: And that Mr. James Stevenson, Mr. Walter James, Mr. Charles Wilson, Mr. Atkinson, and Mr. Cozens-Hardy do prepare, and bring it in.

Vaccination.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal so much of the Law as compels, under Penalty, the practice of Vaccination: And that Mr. Picton, Mr. Holden, Mr. M'Arthur, Mr. James Ellis, Mr. Colman, and Mr. Channing do prepare, and bring it in.

School Board
for London
Election.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Elementary Education Act, 1870," and "The School Boards Act, 1885," so far as relates to the Election of the School Board for London: And that Colonel Hughes, Sir Richard Temple, Sir Guyer Hunter, Mr. Lafone, Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth, and Mr. Isaacs do prepare, and bring it in.

Advertisement
Rating.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Rating Places used for Advertisements: And that Mr. Burdett-Coutts, Mr. Seager-Hunt, and Mr. Mowbray do prepare, and bring it in.

Industrial
Agricultural
Education.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for Industrial Agricultural Education in Public Elementary Schools in Rural Districts: And that Mr. Jesse Collings, Mr. Henry Fowler, Sir John Lubbock, Mr. Howell, Sir John Kennaway, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Mr. G. Dixon, Mr. Robert Reid, and Major Rasch do prepare, and bring it in.

Architects'
Registration.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to arrange for the Qualification and Registration of Architects, Engineers, and Surveyors: And that Colonel Duncan, Captain Penton, Mr. Murphy, General Goldsworthy, and Colonel Makins do prepare, and bring it in.

Dwelling
Houses
(Sanitary
Inspection.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Sanitary Inspection of Dwelling Houses: And that Mr. Staveley Hill, Mr. Henry H. Fowler, and Mr. Davenport do prepare, and bring it in.

Private Lunatic
Asylums
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Law relating to Lunatic Asylums in Ireland kept for Private Profit, and to make other and more suitable Provision for Paying Patients: And that Mr. William Corbet, Mr. Dillwyn, Mr. P. J. Power, Dr. Cameron, and Mr. Molloy do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred all Petitions presented to the House, with the exception of such as relate to Private Bills; and that such Committee do classify and prepare abstracts of the same, in such form and manner as shall appear to them best suited to convey to the House all requisite information respecting their contents, and do report the same from time to time to the House; and that the Reports of the Committee do set forth the number of signatures to each Petition only in respect to those signatures to which addresses are affixed:—And that such Committee have power to direct the printing in extenso of such Petitions, or of such parts of Petitions, as shall appear to require it:—And that such Committee have Power to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Charles Forster, Mr. William Lowther, Mr. Cavendish Bentinck, Mr. Hugh Elliot, Colonel Bridgeman, Mr. Donald Crawford, Mr. Mulholland, Viscount Lymington, Mr. Wiggin, Mr. M'Lagan, Mr. Henry Tollemache, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, and Sir Charles Dalrymple.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the safe Working of Railways: And that Mr. Channing, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Charles Parker, Mr. A. H. Dyke Arland, Mr. H. L. Lawson, Mr. John Ellis, and Mr. Jacoby do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Select Committee be re-appointed to inquire into the terms of occupation and the compensation for improvements possessed by the Occupiers of Town Houses and Holdings in Great Britain and Ireland; and to inquire into the expediency of giving the leaseholders facilities for the purchase of the fee-simple of their property; and also into the question of imposing a direct assessment on the owners of ground rents, and on the owners of increased values imparted to land by building operations or other improvements.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Act, 1887": And that Dr. Cameron, Mr. M'Lagan, Mr. Caldwell, and Mr. Angus Sutherland do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Sale of Liquors on Sunday (Ireland) Act, 1878": And that Mr. Lea, Sir James Corry, Sir William Ewart, Mr. John Redmond, Mr. T. W. Russell, and Mr. Jordan do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove the Inequalities now existing between the Poor Rates in different Districts of the Metropolis: And that Mr. Pickersgill, Mr. Howell, Mr. James Rowlands, and Mr. Sydney Buxton do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Metropolitan Management Act, 1855," "The Metropolitan Building Act, 1855" and the Acts amending the same respectively: And that Colonel Hughes, Mr. Tatton Egerton, Mr. Whitmore, and Sir Algernon Borthwick do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Saving of Life at Sea: And that Mr. Howard Vincent, Sir Edward Birkbeck, Lord Charles Beresford, Mr. Hoare, Mr. Menzies, Captain Price, and Mr. Mallock do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered,

Public Trustee. *Ordered,* That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the appointment of a Public Trustee and Executor: And that Mr. *Howard Vincent*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Anderson*, and Mr. *Bradlaugh* do prepare, and bring it in.

Parish Vestries Reform. *Ordered,* That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform the Procedure and to increase the Powers of Parish Vestries: And that Mr. *Cobb*, Mr. *Channing*, Sir *Walter Foster*, Mr. *Seale-Hayne*, Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, Mr. *Arthur Acland*, and Mr. *Winterbotham* do prepare, and bring it in.

Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions.) *Ordered,* That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Municipal Corporations to grant Pensions to Stipendiary Magistrates: And that Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Godson*, and Mr. *Hastings* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Law (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill. Mr. *Parnell* presented a Bill to amend the Land Law (Ireland) Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next; and to be printed.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill. Mr. *Heneage* presented a Bill to alter and amend the Law as to Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Public Houses (Ireland) (Saturday Closing) Bill. Mr. *T. W. Russell* presented a Bill to close Public Houses at an earlier Hour on Saturdays in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill. Mr. *Easlemont* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the payment of the Expenses of Returning Officers at Parliamentary Elections in Scotland; and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Agricultural Tenants (Ireland) Relief Bill. Mr. *Blane* presented a Bill for the Relief of Agricultural Tenants in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next; and to be printed.

County Government (Ireland) Bill. Mr. *Carew* presented a Bill for the better Government of Counties in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of April next; and to be printed.

Oaths Bill. Mr. *Bradlaugh* presented a Bill to amend the Law as to Oaths: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Early Closing Bill. Sir *John Lubbock* presented a Bill to provide for the earlier closing of Shops, and to make further provision with respect to Trading on Sunday; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Small Holdings Bill. Mr. *Jesse Collings* presented a Bill to facilitate the creation of Small Holdings of Land: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. *Harris* presented a Bill to amend the Poor Law Law relating to the Election and Constitution of Boards of Guardians in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next; and to be printed. **Bill 10.**

Baron *Dimsdale* presented a Bill to extend the Parliamentary Franchise to Women: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next; and to be printed. **Bill 11.**

Mr. *Caine* presented a Bill to amend the Education Provisions of the Education (Scotland) Acts relating to the Payment of School Fees for Children of Poor Parents: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next; and to be printed. **Bill 12.**

Mr. *Llewellyn* presented a Bill to amend the School Fees Law relating to the Payment of School Fees of Non-Pauper Children: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next; and to be printed. **Bill 13.**

Mr. *Isaacs* presented a Bill for the better Local Government of the Metropolis, and other Matters connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed. **Bill 14.**

Mr. *Henry Campbell* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Municipal Franchise in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of March next; and to be printed. **Bill 15.**

Mr. *Howell* presented a Bill to consolidate, simplify, and amend the Law relating to Parliamentary Elections, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of April next; and to be printed. **Bill 16.**

Sir *Algernon Borthwick* presented a Bill to amend the Law of Libel: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant February; and to be printed. **Bill 17.**

Mr. *Stack* presented a Bill to amend the Labourers (Ireland) Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of June next; and to be printed. **Bill 18.**

Mr. *Foley* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Houses in Towns in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next; and to be printed. **Bill 19.**

Mr. *Seale-Hayne* presented a Bill for the purpose of amending the Law in regard to the Appointment, Qualification, and Removal of Justices of the Peace: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next; and to be printed. **Bill 20.**

Mr. *Thorburn* presented a Bill to entitle Agricultural Labourers in Scotland to certain Holidays in lieu of Fair Days and Fast Days: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed. **Bill 21.**

dered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Licensing Laws Bill.

Bill 22.

Sir *William Houldsworth* presented a Bill to amend the Licensing Laws: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Saturday the 21st day of April next; and to be printed.

National School Teachers (Ireland) Bill.

Bill 23.

Mr. *Mayne* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to National School Teachers in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of March next; and to be printed.

Bills of Exchange Registration Bill.

Bill 24.

Mr. *Hunter* presented a Bill to provide for the Registration of dishonoured Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and to allow Summary Judgment thereon: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next; and to be printed.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Ireland) Bill.

Bill 25.

Mr. *Johnston* presented a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Towns and Districts in *Ireland*, to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next; and to be printed.

Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill.

Bill 26.

Mr. *Byrne* presented a Bill to amend "The Employers' Liability Act, 1880": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of June next; and to be printed.

Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill.

Bill 27.

Mr. *James A. Campbell* presented a Bill to amend the Law as to Ecclesiastical Assessments in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next; and to be printed.

Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.

Bill 28.

Mr. *Francis Powell* presented a Bill to repeal the Provisions of the Church Building Acts relating to the Compulsory Purchase of Sites for Churches and Burial Grounds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next; and to be printed.

Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill.

Bill 29.

Mr. *Murphy* presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Representation of the People: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of March next; and to be printed.

University Education (Ireland) Bill.

Bill 30.

Mr. *Biggar* presented a Bill to amend University Education in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of April next; and to be printed.

Registration of Firms Bill.

Bill 31.

Sir *Albert Rollit* presented a Bill for the Registration of Firms: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next; and to be printed.

Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.

Bill 32.

Colonel *Nolan* presented a Bill to amend the Fishery Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

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Mr. *Kilbride* presented a Bill to promote Technical Education in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next; and to be printed. Technical Education (Ireland) Bill. Bill 33.

Mr. *Mowbray* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Occupation of Glebe Lands by Incumbents in *England*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of May next; and to be printed. Glebe Lands Occupation Bill. Bill 34.

Mr. *Tomlinson* presented a Bill to amend an Act of 26 Hen. 8, c. 14, intituled, "An Act for the Nominations of Suffragans and the Consecration of them": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next; and to be printed. Suffragans' Nomination Bill. Bill 35.

Mr. *Watt* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Poinning in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next; and to be printed. Poinning (Scotland) Bill. Bill 36.

Mr. *Dixon-Hartland* presented a Bill for the better Regulation of Theatres and Music Halls in the Metropolis: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant February; and to be printed. Theatres (Metropolis) Bill. Bill 37.

Mr. *Walter M'Laren* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Representation of the People: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next; and to be printed. Franchise Extension Bill. Bill 38.

Mr. *Lea* presented a Bill to amend "The Turbary Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1881," in relation to Turbary: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next; and to be printed. Turbary (Ireland) Bill. Bill 39.

Sir *Richard Temple* presented a Bill to enable the School Board for *London* to Guarantee Superannuation Allowances from the Funds at their disposal: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed. School Board for London (Pensions) Bill. Bill 40.

Mr. *Caldwell* presented a Bill to extend and amend the Law relating to the Recovery of Small Debts in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed. Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. Bill 41.

Mr. *Alfred Pease* presented a Bill to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Slavery: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next; and to be printed. Slavery Law Consolidation Bill. Bill 42.

Mr. *McCarten* presented a Bill to amend and extend the Law relating to Piers and Harbours in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of March next; and to be printed. Piers and Harbours (Ireland) Bill. Bill 43.

Fairs and
Markets (Ire-
land) Bill.

Bill 44.

Mr. *Crilly* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Fairs and Markets in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Meetings in
Schools) Bill.

Bill 45.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented a Bill to make provision for the Use, subject to certain Restrictions, of Rooms in Public Elementary Schools for Meetings of Parliamentary Electors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Port and
Harbour
Authorities
(Ireland) Bill.

Bill 46.

Mr. *James F. X. O'Brien* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Port and Harbour Authorities in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Building
Societies Act
(1874) Amend-
ment Bill.

Bill 47.

Mr. *O'Neill* presented a Bill to amend "The Building Societies Act, 1874": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next; and to be printed.

Churches, &c.
(Ireland) Sites
Bill.

Bill 48.

Mr. *Peter McDonald* presented a Bill to facilitate the acquiring of Sites for Churches and Schools, and for Residences for Clergymen and School Teachers in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of May next; and to be printed.

Railway and
Canal Com-
panies Charges
Bill.

Bill 49.

Sir *Bernhard Samuelson* presented a Bill for the Revision of the Charges of Railway and Canal Companies, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of March next; and to be printed.

Belfast
Government
Bill.

Bill 50.

Mr. *Tuite* presented a Bill for the better Government of *Belfast*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next; and to be printed.

Friendly
Societies
(Transmission
of Money) Bill.

Bill 51.

Viscount *Curzon* presented a Bill for the Free Transmission through the Post Office of Benefits from Friendly Societies to their Members: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next; and to be printed.

Charities
(Restitution)
Bill.

Bill 52.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to facilitate the Recovery of Rent-Charges and other Payments owing to Charities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Technical
Education Bill.

Bill 53.

Sir *Henry Roscoe* presented a Bill to provide for Technical Education in *England* and *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next; and to be printed.

School Board
Elections
(Scotland) Bill.

Bill 54.

Mr. *Shiress Will* presented a Bill to amend the Provisions of "The Education (*Scotland*) Act, 1872," with regard to voting at Elections of School Boards: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

Accumulations
Bill.

Bill 55.

Mr. *Cozens-Hardy* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Accumulations: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be

read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. *Gedge* presented a Bill to amend the Acts 41 Geo. 3, c. 63, and 1 and 2 Vic. c. 106, so far as they relate to Deacons of the Church of *England*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next; and to be printed.

Deacons
(Church of
England) Bill.
Bill 56.

Mr. *Milvain* presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law in relation to Punishment by Whipping: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next; and to be printed.

Whipping Bill.
Bill 57.

Mr. *Anderson* presented a Bill to amend the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Crofters' Hold-
ings (*Scotland*)
Act (1886)
Amendment
Bill.
Bill 58.

Mr. *Stansfeld* presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the Registration of Electors at Parliamentary and Municipal Elections in *England*, modifying, with a view to the Simplification of their Registration, the Qualification of such Electors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of April next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary
and Municipal
Electors
(Registration)
Bill.
Bill 59.

Mr. *Nolan* presented a Bill to encourage the Planting of Trees and Osiers in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of March next; and to be printed.

Trees (*Ireland*)
Bill.
Bill 60.

Mr. *Mundella* presented a Bill to promote Intermediate Education in *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next; and to be printed.

Intermediate
Education
(*Wales*) Bill.
Bill 61.

Mr. *Channing* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Agricultural Holdings in *England*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of March next; and to be printed.

Agricultural
Holdings Bill.
Bill 62.

Mr. *Haldane* presented a Bill to enlarge the Powers of Limited Owners of Land in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Limited
Owners (*Scot-
land*) Bill.
Bill 63.

Mr. *P. J. Power* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Administration of Charities in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next; and to be printed.

Charities
(*Ireland*)
Administration
Bill.
Bill 64.

Mr. *Lockwood* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Detention of Jurors on the Trial of Felonies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Jurors' Deten-
tion Bill.
Bill 65.

Mr. *Jeffreys* presented a Bill to remove the Disabilities of Soldiers and Sailors to be registered as Voters at Parliamentary Elections: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next; and to be printed.

Soldiers' and
Sailors' Dis-
abilities Re-
moval Bill.
Bill 66.

Mr.

Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill.
Bill 67.

Mr. O'Hea presented a Bill for the Repeal of Solicitors' Annual Certificate Duty: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of March next; and to be printed.

Parochial Boards (Scotland) Bill.
Bill 68.

Dr. Cameron presented a Bill to reform the Constitution of Parochial Boards in Scotland, and the Mode of electing the Members of such Boards: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Reproductive Loan Fund (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.
Bill 69.

Mr. Hayden presented a Bill to amend the Reproductive Loan Fund (Ireland) Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) Bill.
Bill 70.

Mr. Childers presented a Bill to provide for the payment of Expenses to be incurred by Returning Officers at Parliamentary Elections out of Local Rates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.
Bill 71.

Mr. Burt presented a Bill to amend "The Employers' Liability Act, 1880": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.
Bill 72.

Sir Edward Birkbeck presented a Bill to secure one uniform Scale of Rates and Charges for the Carriage of common kinds of Fish by the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next; and to be printed.

Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.
Bill 73.

Mr. Francis Stevenson presented a Bill to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.
Bill 74.

Mr. Lawson presented a Bill to enable Leaseholders of Houses to purchase the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of July next; and to be printed.

Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill.
Bill 75.

Colonel Malcolm presented a Bill to amend the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Acts, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of February next; and to be printed.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.
Bill 76.

Mr. James Stevenson presented a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next; and to be printed.

Vaccination Bill.
Bill 77.

Mr. Picton presented a Bill to repeal so much of the Law as compels, under Penalty, the Practice of Vaccination: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

School Board for London Election Bill.
Bill 78.

Colonel Hughes presented a Bill to amend "The Elementary Education Act, 1870," and "The School Boards Act, 1885," so far as relates to the Election of the School Board for London:

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And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Burdett-Coutts presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Rating Places used for Advertisements: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Jesse Collings presented a Bill for Industrial Agricultural Education in Public Elementary Schools in Rural Districts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Colonel Duncan presented a Bill to arrange for the Qualification and Registration of Architects, Engineers, and Surveyors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Staveley Hill presented a Bill to provide for the Sanitary Inspection of Dwelling Houses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. William Corbet presented a Bill to alter and amend the Law relating to Lunatic Asylums in Ireland kept for private profit, and to make other and more suitable provision for Paying Patients: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of June next; and to be printed.

Mr. Channing presented a Bill to make further Provision for the safe Working of Railways: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next; and to be printed.

Dr. Cameron presented a Bill to amend "The Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Act, 1887": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of February next; and to be printed.

Mr. Lea presented a Bill to amend "The Sale of Liquors on Sunday (Ireland) Act, 1878": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Pickersgill presented a Bill to remove the Inequalities now existing between the Poor Rates in different Districts of the Metropolis: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next; and to be printed.

Colonel Hughes presented a Bill to amend "The Metropolitan Management Act, 1855," "The Metropolitan Building Act, 1855," and the Acts amending the same respectively: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

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Mr.

Saving Life at
Sea Bill.
Bill 89.

Mr. *Howard Vincent* presented a Bill for the Saving of Life at Sea: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of February next; and to be printed.

Public Trustee
Bill.
Bill 90.

Mr. *Howard Vincent* presented a Bill for the Appointment of a Public Trustee and Executor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next; and to be printed.

Parish Vestries
Reform Bill.
Bill 91.

Mr. *Cobb* presented a Bill to reform the Procedure and to increase the Powers of Parish Vestries: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Stipendiary
Magistrates
(Pensions) Bill.
Bill 92.

Sir *Richard Temple* presented a Bill to enable Municipal Corporations to grant Pensions to Stipendiary Magistrates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 23rd day of March next; and to be printed.

Outrages (Ire-
land.)
No. 5.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of Outrages reported to the Royal Irish Constabulary Office in each month of the years 1886 and 1887, and in the month of January 1888.

Mr. *Arthur Balfour* accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Boycotting
(Ireland.)
No. 6.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return showing, by Provinces and Counties, the Number of Cases of Boycotting, and the Number of Persons wholly and partially Boycotted, throughout *Ireland*, on the 31st day of July 1887 and on the 31st day of January 1888 respectively.

Mr. *Arthur Balfour* accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 13th February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill
Petitions
(Standing
Orders not
complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Reports from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petitions for the following Bills, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway.

Blackburn Corporation Tramways.

Brighton Marine Palace and Pier.

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers).

Lambeth Vestry.

Lynmouth and Lynton Lift.

Tottenham Local Board (Division of District).

Ordered, That the Reports be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Aberdeen
District Tram-
ways.

A Petition of the *Aberdeen District Tramways Company*, for leave to introduce a Bill to authorise the *Aberdeen District Tramways Company* to construct additional Tramways; to amend the

Aberdeen District Tramways Act, 1872, and the *Aberdeen District Tramways Extension Act, 1878*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Dr. *Farquharson* and Mr. *Hunter*.

A Petition of the *Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for empowering the *Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Company* to construct a new Lock, Wharves, Railways, and other Works, and to abandon certain authorised Works, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Warmington* and Mr. *George Elliot*.

A Petition of the *Ayr and District Tramways Company*, being Promoters of the Bill thereunto annexed, and of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the *Ayr and District Tramways*, and for authorising the Repayment of the Money deposited for securing the Completion thereof, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Richard Campbell* and Mr. *Vernon*.

A Petition of the *Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for the completion of the Railway and Causeway and Pier, authorised by the *Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Act, 1883*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cavendish Bentinck* and Colonel *Saunderson*.

A Petition of the *Barnstaple Water Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Barnstaple Water Company* to construct additional Works and raise additional Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Ebrington* and Mr. *Pitt-Lewis*.

A Petition of the *Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Barry Dock and Railways Company* to purchase additional Lands, and make certain Works near *Barry Island*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Reed* and Mr. *Dillwyn*.

A Petition of the *Barry Dock and Railways (Railway Extension) Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Barry Dock and Railways Company* to construct a new Railway to join the *Rhymney Railway*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Reed* and Mr. *Dillwyn*.

A Petition of the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish of *Saint Mary, Battersea*, in the County of *Surrey*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer on the Vestry of the Parish of *Saint Mary, Battersea*, in the County of *Surrey*, further Powers of dealing with certain Parish Lands, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Gilliat* and Mr. *Octavius Morgan*.

A Petition of the *Billingham and Metherringham (Light) Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the *Billingham and Metherringham (Light) Railway*, was presented,

sented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Eyre* and Mr. *Kerans*.

Brecon and
Merthyr Tydfil
Railway.

A Petition of the *Brecon and Merthyr Tydfil* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the *Brecon and Merthyr Tydfil* Junction Railway Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Frederic Morgan* and Mr. *George Elliot*.

Bristol Port
Extension
Railways.

A Petition of the Persons whose Names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the cancelling of a Bond entered into under "The *Bristol Port Extension* Railways Act, 1864," was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Seager Hunt* and Admiral *Mayne*.

Bristol Port
Railway and
Pier.

A Petition of the *Bristol Port* Railway and Pier Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Bristol Port* Railway and Pier Company to construct additional Railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*, and Mr. *Handel Cossham*.

Bristol Water.

A Petition of the *Bristol Waterworks* Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the granting of further Powers to the *Bristol Waterworks* Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*, and Mr. *Lewis Fry*.

Brixton Park.

A Petition of Promoters of the Bill thereunto annexed, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the acquisition of a House and Grounds known as *Raleigh House*, and other Property at *Brixton Hill*, in the County of *Surrey*, and the preservation thereof for public purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Marquess of *Carmarthen*, Mr. *Gent-Davis*, and Mr. *Bristowe*.

Brymbo Water.

A Petition of the *Brymbo Water* Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Brymbo Water* Company to construct additional Waterworks in the Counties of *Denbigh* and *Flint*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Kenyon* and Mr. *Stanley Leighton*.

Bute Docks,
Cardiff.

A Petition of the *Bute Docks* Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring upon the *Bute Docks* Company additional Powers in connection with their Docks and Works at *Cardiff*; for amending the *Bute Docks* Acts, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Reed*, Mr. *Thomas*, and Mr. *Frederic Morgan*.

Cardiff,
Penarth, and
Barry Junction
Railways.

A Petition of the *Cardiff, Penarth and Barry* Junction Railways Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the *Cardiff, Penarth and Barry* Junction Railways Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Arthur Williams* and Mr. *Thomas*.

Channel
Tunnel
(Experimental
Works.)

A Petition of the *South Eastern* Railway Company and the *Sub-marine Continental* Railway Company, Limited (now called the *Channel Tunnel* Company, Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise Experimental Works for a Tunnel beneath the Straits of *Dover*,
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to be maintained and continued, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Watkin* and Mr. *Cavendish Bentinck*.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of *London* in Common Council assembled, for leave to bring in a Bill to define the Jurisdiction and to regulate the Proceedings of the Coroner of the City of *London* with regard to Inquests upon Fires within the said City, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Robert Fowler* and Mr. *Baring*.

A Petition of the *Clifton Suspension Bridge* Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for granting further Powers to the *Clifton Suspension Bridge* Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*, Mr. *Lewis Fry*, and Mr. *Llewellyn*.

A Petition of the Right Honourable *Angela Georgina*, Baroness *Burdett Coutts* and the humble Petition of *William Lehman Ashmead Bartlett Burdett Coutts*, Esquire, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for purchasing Lands and completing the Railways and Works authorised by "The *Columbia Market* Act, 1885," was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Puleston* and Mr. *Seager Hunt*.

A Petition of the *Cork and Bandon* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Cork and Bandon* Railway Company to construct a Deviation Railway in substitution for a portion of their existing Railway and new Railways at *Cork*; to raise further Capital by Debenture Stock; to consolidate their Preference Stocks, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *E. Dwyer Gray* and Dr. *Kenny*.

A Petition of the *Dore and Chinley* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the *Dore and Chinley* Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Edward Cavendish* and Mr. *Barnes*.

A Petition of the *Draycott Gas* Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill to re-incorporate with further Powers the *Draycott Gas* Company, Limited, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *T. Roe*.

A Petition of the *Eastern and Midlands* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Eastern and Midlands* Railway Company to make new Railways in the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Rutland*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Compton Laurance* and Sir *John Puleston*.

A Petition of *Robert Gardner*, of 41, *Dane Street*, in the County of the City of *Dublin*, Accountant, and *John Caldwell Bloomfield*, of *Castle Caldwell, Belleek*, in the County of *Fermanagh*, Gentleman, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Repayment of the Moneys deposited in respect of the Railways authorised to be constructed by the *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo* Railway (*Donegal Extension*).

Extension) and *Enniskillen and Bundoran Extension Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1879*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by General *Goldsworthy* and Colonel *Duncan*.

Folkestone Water.

A Petition of the *Folkestone Waterworks Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for the granting of further Powers to the *Folkestone Waterworks Company*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Watkin* and Viscount *Folkestone*.

Frodsham Gas and Water.

A Petition of the *Frodsham Gas Company, Limited*, for leave to bring in a Bill for dissolving the *Frodsham Gas Company, Limited*, and for re-incorporating the Members thereof with others, and conferring Powers on them for the supply of Gas and Water to the Town of *Frodsham* and Neighbourhood, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Tollemache* and Mr. *Brunner*.

Glenfalloch Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the Bill thereunto annexed, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the construction of certain Railways from the *Callander and Oban Railway*, in the County of *Perth*, to *Loch Lomond*, in the County of *Dumbarton*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Archibald Orr Ewing*, Mr. *Childers*, and Mr. *Asher*.

Grand Junction Water.

A Petition of the *Grand Junction Waterworks Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Grand Junction Waterworks Company* to execute further Works, to amend the Acts relating to that Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by General *Goldsworthy*, Mr. *Aird*, and Mr. *Jeffreys*.

Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway.

A Petition of Persons whose Names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of Railways between *Southall* and *Edgware*, in the County of *Middlesex*, to be called the *Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Ambrose* and Mr. *Fisher*.

Great Western Railway (No. 1.)

A Petition of the *Great Western Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *Great Western Railway Company* in connection with their own and other Undertakings, and upon them and other Companies in connection with Undertakings in which they are jointly interested, for vesting in the *Great Western Railway Company* the Undertakings of the *Leominster and Bromyard* and the *Worcester, Bromyard, and Leominster Railway Companies*, for authorising and confirming Agreements with the *Kingsbridge and Salcombe* and other Railway Companies, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Dillwyn* and Mr. *Christopher Talbot*.

Great Western Railway (No. 2.)

A Petition of the *Great Western Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *Great Western Railway Company* for the construction of new Railways in the County of *Glumorgan*, for authorising Agreements between that Company and the *Bute Docks Company*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Dillwyn* and Mr. *Christopher Talbot*.

A Petition of the *Greenwich and Millwall Subway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Powers of the *Greenwich and Millwall Subway Company* for the completion of their authorised Subway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Boord* and Mr. *Norris*.

Greenwich and Millwall Subway.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Halifax*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Corporation of *Halifax* to make additional Waterworks, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Stansfeld* and Mr. *Thomas Shaw*.

Halifax Corporation Water.

A Petition of the *Harrow and Stanmore Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Harrow and Stanmore Railway Company* to deviate a portion of their authorised Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cozens-Hardy* and Mr. *Cobb*.

Harrow and Stanmore Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the Bill thereunto annexed for leave to bring in a Bill for supplying the Borough of *Helston*, the Parish of *Sithney*, and the Town of *Porthleven* and Neighbourhood with Water, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Bolitho* and Mr. *Bickford-Smith*.

Helston and Porthleven Water.

A Petition of the *Hexham Local Board*, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Hexham Local Board* to make Waterworks and supply Water, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Matthew White Ridley* and Mr. *MacInnes*.

Hexham Local Board.

A Petition of the House and Land Investment Trust, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the making of a new Street from *Whitehall* to the *Victoria Embankment*, in the City and Liberty of the City of *Westminster*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Whittaker Ellis* and Mr. *Isaacs*.

Horse Guards Avenue.

A Petition of the Suitors for a Bill for effecting the Objects thereafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the construction of new and widening of existing Streets and the taking of Lands in the Parish of *Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Charles Lewis* and Mr. *Isaacs*.

Kensington Square Improvements.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the *Kent Waterworks*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the Company of Proprietors of the *Kent Waterworks*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Lewisham* and Mr. *Mills*.

Kent Water.

A Petition of the *Keswick Gas Light and Coke Company, Limited*, for leave to bring in a Bill to re-incorporate with further Powers the *Keswick Gas Light and Coke Company, Limited*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Muncaster* and Mr. *James W. Lowther*.

Keswick Gas.

A Petition

Kingston-upon-Thames Improvement.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Kingston-upon-Thames*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Kingston-upon-Thames* for the Improvement and good Government of the Borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Whittaker Ellis* and Sir *Trevor Lawrence*.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway.

A Petition of the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company* with relation to their Undertaking; and to enable them to acquire the Undertaking of the *Bury and Tottington District Railway Company*; and to confer further Powers on the *Halifax High Level and North and South Junction Railway Company* with respect to their Undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Green* and Mr. *Hornby*.

Lancaster Corporation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Lancaster*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Boundaries of the Borough of *Lancaster*; to confer further Powers upon the Corporation of *Lancaster* with respect to their Gas and Water Undertakings and with respect to Street Improvements; to make further provision for the good Government of the Borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Tomlinson* and Mr. *Ainslie*.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway.

A Petition of the *Latimer Road and Acton Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Powers of the *Latimer Road and Acton Railway Company*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Puleston* and Mr. *Maclure*.

Limerick Harbour.

A Petition of the *Limerick Harbour Commissioners*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Repeal of Rates and Duties now levied in the Port of *Limerick*, and to authorise other Harbour Rates to be levied in lieu thereof, and to authorise the *Limerick Harbour Commissioners* to borrow Money on the Security of the said Rates, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *William Abraham (Limerick)* and Mr. *Finucane*.

Limpfield and Oxted Water.

A Petition of the *Limpfield and Oxted Water Company (Limited)*, for leave to bring in a Bill for dissolving the *Limpfield and Oxted Water Company (Limited)*; for re-incorporating the Proprietors therein with others; and for conferring Powers on the Company so to be incorporated, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Trevor Lawrence*, Mr. *Cubitt*, and Mr. *Bonsor*.

Listowel and Ballybunion Railway.

A Petition of the *Listowel and Ballybunion Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for making Extension Railways from the *Listowel and Ballybunion Railway*, and also a Pier at *Ballybunion Bay*, in the County of *Kerry*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cavendish Bentinck* and Colonel *Saunderson*.

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A Petition of the Local Board of Health for the District of the Borough of *Llanelly*, in the County of *Carmarthen*, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Local Board of Health for the District of the Borough of *Llanelly* to sell certain Estates vested in them as Trustees; to appropriate for public purposes the Sites of certain Institutions vested in them as Trustees on reinstating such Institutions elsewhere; and to create Local Board Stock; for altering the Securities for the Repayment of certain Borrowed Moneys; making better provision for the Health and Government of the District, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Pugh* and Mr. *Walter Powell*.

A Petition of the *Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for purchasing Land and completing the *Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Laurie* and Mr. *Hankey*.

A Petition of the *London and North Western Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *London and North Western Railway Company* in relation to their own Undertaking and other Undertakings in which they are interested jointly with other Companies, and also for conferring Powers upon the *Great Western Railway Company*, the *Midland Railway Company*, and other Railway Companies in relation to such other Undertakings, for Dissolving the *North Union Railway Company* and the *Preston and Wyre Railway Harbour and Dock Company*, and for appointing a Joint Committee of the Company and the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *David Plunket*, Mr. *William Lowther*, and Mr. *MacInnes*.

A Petition of the *London and Saint Katharine Docks Company* and the *East and West India Dock Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Amalgamation or a Working Union of the Undertakings of the *London and Saint Katharine Docks Company* and the *East and West India Dock Company*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Robert Fowler*, Mr. *Norris*, and Major *Rusch*.

A Petition of the *London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Henry Fletcher* and Sir *John Puleston*.

A Petition of the *London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by General Sir *Edward Hamley* and Major *Dickson*.

A Petition of *William Clement Drake Esdaile*, of *Benley Manor, Ringwood*, in the County of *Tithes (Saint Botolph With-out, Aldgate.)* *Southampton*, Esquire, and *Henry Jeffries Budcock*, of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, Esquire, Trustees and Executors under the Will

Will of the late *Edward Jeffries Esdaile*, deceased, and *Charles Edward Jeffries Esdaile*, of *Cothelstone House*, near *Taunton*, aforesaid, Esquire, the Tenant for life under that Will, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "The *London (City) Tithes (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate) Act, 1881*," and to confer upon the Churchwardens and Tithe Owner respectively additional Powers, Rights, and Privileges, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Francis Muclean* and Mr. *Webster*.

London,
Tilbury, and
Southend Rail-
way.

A Petition of the *London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Company*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Major *Rasch* and Major *Banes*.

Manchester,
Middleton, and
District Tram-
ways.

A Petition of the *Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for the compulsory Purchase of Lands, and for completing the *Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Major *Banes* and Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*.

Manchester,
Sheffield, and
Lincolnshire
Railway
(Additional
Powers.)

A Petition of the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company*, the *Cheshire Lines Committee*, and the *Sheffield and Midland Railway Companies Committee*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company* in connection with their Undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Watkin* and Mr. *Maclure*.

Manchester,
Sheffield, and
Lincolnshire
Railway (New
Railways.)

A Petition of the *Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway Company*, and the *Liverpool, Southport, and Preston Junction Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company* to make new Railways, to confer further Powers on the Company in connection with their Undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Watkin* and Mr. *Maclure*.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works (Thea-
tres, &c.)

A Petition of the *Metropolitan Board of Works*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer Powers upon the *Metropolitan Board of Works* for inspecting Theatres, Music Halls, and Places of Entertainment, and granting Certificates, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Tatton Egerton*, Mr. *Webster*, and Captain *Colomb*.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works
(Various
Powers.)

A Petition of the *Metropolitan Board of Works*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer Powers on the *Metropolitan Board of Works* with respect to the widening of *Church Street, Fulham*, the constructing of Bridges, the providing and extending of Recreation Grounds, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Hughes* and Mr. *Tatton Egerton*.

Metropolitan
Outer Circle
Railway.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making Railways in the County of *Middlesex*, to be called "The *Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway*," and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Beach*, Sir *John Kennaway*, Sir *George Russell*, and Mr. *Hankey*.

A Petition of the *Midland Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer additional Powers upon the *Midland Railway Company* for the construction of Works and the acquisition of Lands; for raising further Capital; for amalgamating with their Undertaking the Undertaking of the *Dore and Chinley Railway Company*, and for extending the time for the acquisition of Lands for, and the construction of the *Dore and Chinley Railway*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Frederick Mappin*, Mr. *Wiggin*, and Mr. *Allison*.

A Petition of the *Milford Docks Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time limited for the completion of the Docks and Works of, and to confer further Powers upon the *Milford Docks Company*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Admiral *Mayne* and Mr. *William Davies*.

A Petition of the Local Board for the District of *Nelson*, in the County of *Lancaster*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the Local Board for the District of *Nelson*, in the County of *Lancaster*, with respect to their Waterworks and Gasworks Undertakings and works for Sewage disposal and for preventing the spread of Infectious Diseases, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Marquess of *Hartington*, Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth*, and Mr. *Addison*.

A Petition of the *Newhaven Harbour Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the construction of additional Works, and to extend the time for completing certain authorised Works at *Newhaven Harbour*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Henry Fletcher* and Sir *John Puleston*.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Monmouth*, and of the *Newport Waterworks Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Monmouth*, to purchase the Undertaking of the *Newport Waterworks Company*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Frederick Morgan* and Mr. *Thomas Price*.

A Petition of the *Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Abandonment of the Railway authorised by "The *Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Act, 1883*," and the construction of a Tramroad instead thereof, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Alexander Hall* and Mr. *Webster*.

A Petition of the *Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time limited for the compulsory purchase of Lands for and the completion of certain Railways, and to revive the Powers for the construction of other Railways; to confer further Powers upon the *Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Hussey Vivian* and Mr. *Arthur Williams*.

A. Petition

Rhymney
Railway.

A Petition of the *Rhymney* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Rhymney* Railway Company to make new Railways, to confer further Powers on the Company in connection with their Undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. Webster, Mr. Maclure, and Mr. Kenyon.

Riddings Dis-
trict Gas.

A Petition of *Thomas Haden Oakes* and *Charles Henry Oakes*, of *Alfreton*, in the County of *Derby*, Ironmasters and Owners of Collieries, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Riddings* District Gas Company; to confer Powers on them with reference to the Acquisition, Construction, and Maintenance of Works, the Supply of Gas, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. Wardle and Mr. Barnes.

Rossendale
Valley Tram-
ways.

A Petition of *Charles Courtney Cramp*, of 28, *Boscombe Road, Shepherd's Bush*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Engineer, and *William Penrose Green*, of 9, *Newton Grove, Leeds*, in the County of *York*, Engineer, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the *Rossendale Valley* Tramways Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Puleston* and Mr. *Radcliffe*.

Rotherham and
Bawtry Rail-
way.

A Petition of the *Rotherham and Bawtry* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the *Rotherham and Bawtry* Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *William Beckett* and Mr. *Beadel*.

South Eastern,
and London,
Chatham, and
Dover Railways
(Arbitration.)

A Petition of the *South Eastern* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Settlement by Arbitration of certain Claims and Differences existing between the *South Eastern* Railway Company and the *London, Chatham, and Dover* Railway Company, and for constituting a Court of Arbitration to determine those matters, and for other purposes relating thereto, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Watkin*, Viscount *Folkestone*, and Mr. *A. Gathorne-Hardy*.

South Eastern
Railway.

A Petition of the *South Eastern* Railway Company, and of the *Elham Valley* Light Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *South Eastern* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Watkin*, Viscount *Folkestone*, and Mr. *A. Gathorne-Hardy*.

South Indian
Railway.

A Petition of the *South Indian* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring additional Powers on the *South Indian* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Gorst* and Mr. *Kimber*.

Stockton and
Middlesbrough
Water Board.

A Petition of the *Stockton and Middlesbrough* Water Board, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Supply of Water by the *Stockton and Middlesbrough* Water Board, and to confer further Powers on the said Board, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Dodds* and Mr. *Isaac Wilson*.

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A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from *Sutton* to *Raynes Park*, in the County of *Surrey*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Whittaker John Ellis*, Mr. *Sidney Herbert*, and Mr. *Bonsor*.

A Petition of the *Taff Vale* Railway Company and the *Bute Docks* Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for amalgamating the Undertakings of the *Taff Vale* Railway Company and of the *Bute Docks* Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Reed*, Mr. *Frederick Morgan*, and Mr. *Thomas*.

A Petition of the *Taff Vale* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Taff Vale* Railway Company to construct new Railways in *Glamorganshire*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Hussey Vivian* and Mr. *Thomas*.

A Petition of the *Taff Vale* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Taff Vale* Railway Company to construct new Railways between *Cardiff* and the *Monmouthshire* Valleys, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Arthur Williams* and Mr. *Thomas*.

A Petition of the Metropolitan Board of Works, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize an Alteration of the Tunnel authorized by the *Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Act, 1887*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Hughes*, Mr. *Sydney Buxton*, and Mr. *Fulton*.

A Petition of Persons whose Names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the *Uckfield* Water Company, and conferring Powers on them for the Construction of Works, the Supply of Water, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Admiral *Field* and Mr. *A. Gathorne Hardy*.

A Petition of the *United Telephone* Company (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill to afford to the *United Telephone* Company (Limited) additional Facilities for Telephonic Communication, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Lubbock* and Mr. *Quilter*.

A Petition of the *Uxbridge and Rickmansworth* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the *Uxbridge and Rickmansworth* Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *W. L. Bright* and Mr. *Webster*.

A Petition of Promoters of a Bill thereunto annexed, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Acquisition of the *Lawn and Carroun House, Lambeth*, and its Utilization for public purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Gent-Davis* and Mr. *Octavius Morgan*.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *West Ham*, in the County of *Essex*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Corporation of the Borough of

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West Ham, to construct certain Improvements and other Works; to appoint Collectors of the Poor Rates, and to make Provision for the Transfer to such Corporation of the Jurisdiction within the said Borough of the Commissioners of Sewers for *Havering*, *Dagenham*, and other Levels, and for the good Government of the Borough; to enable the said Corporation to borrow Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Major *Banes* and Mr. *Fulton*.

West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.)

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *West Ham*, in the County of *Essex*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *West Ham* to create Corporation Stock, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Major *Banes* and Mr. *Fulton*.

West Surrey Water.

A Petition of the *West Surrey* Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *West Surrey* Water Company to construct Additional Works, and raise Additional Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cubitt* and Mr. *Hankey*.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway.

A Petition of the *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for the Purchase of Lands, and for the completion of the *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Kenyon* and Mr. *Stanley Leighton*.

Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway.

A Petition of the *Wrexham*, *Mold*, and *Connah's Quay* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Wrexham*, *Mold*, and *Connah's Quay* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Osborne Morgan* and Mr. *Kenyon*.

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway.

A Petition of the *Birmingham* and *Henley-in-Arden* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to revive the Powers and extend the Periods for the compulsory Purchase of Lands, and for the construction of the Railway authorised by the *Henley in-Arden* and *Great Western Junction* Railway Act, 1873, and the *Henley-in-Arden* and *Great Western Junction* Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers.)

A Petition of the *Eastern* and *Midlands* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Eastern* and *Midlands* Railway Company to abandon certain authorised Railways and Works, to make new Tramways, Railways, and other Works, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Lambeth Vestry.

A Petition of the Vestry of the Parish of *Lambeth*, in the County of *Surrey*, for leave to bring in a Bill to transfer certain Property, Powers and Duties of the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish of *Lambeth* to the Vestry of that Parish, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Petition of *Richard Elisha Farrant*, of 34, *Tottenham* *Great George Street*, in the City of *Westminster*, Managing Director of the Artizans', Labourers', and General Dwellings Company, Limited; *Alfred Durrant*, of *Brabancoune*, *Wood Green*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Merchant; *George James Row*, of *Mazes Road*, *Wood Green* aforesaid, Insurance Company's Secretary; *William Broomby Croft*, of *Noel House*, *Wood Green* aforesaid, Solicitor; *William Hopper*, of *Broadley Boys*, at *Wood Green* aforesaid; *James Roberts Rowland Fitt*, of the *Chestnuts*, *Wood Green* aforesaid, Newspaper Proprietor; the Reverend *John Thomas*, Vicar of *Wood Green* aforesaid; *William Hardy*, of *Woodhouse Eaves*, *Wood Green* aforesaid, Gentleman; and *William Henry Rice*, of *Brownslade*, *Wood Green* aforesaid, Solicitor; for leave to bring in a Bill to divide the District of the Local Board of Health of *Tottenham*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read: and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide First Report.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Judge Advocate General of an Investigation into certain Transactions in connection with the Inspection and Reception of certain Leather at the Ordnance Store Department at *Woolwich*; with Minutes of Evidence, and Appendix, dated 23rd November 1887.

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

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interests, No. 82.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

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

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Replies to Circular addressed by the Board of Trade to the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom, calling attention to the advisability of providing separate Compartments for Female Passengers.

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

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State by *Ralph Moore*, Esquire, Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines, on the Explosion which occurred at *Udston Colliery*, on 28th May 1887.

Explosions (Udston Colliery.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Presentments made by Grand Juries in *Ireland* and filed by the Court of Assizes, &c., during the year 1887.

Grand Jury Presentments (Ireland.)

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

Mr. *Jackson* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Appropriation Accounts of the Sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services, Classes I. to VII., and the Revenue Departments (including the Post Office Packet and Telegraph Services), for the year ended 31st March 1887; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon (and certain Reports upon Store Accounts).

Civil Services Departments (Appropriation Accounts.)

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Post Office
Telegraphs.

An Account showing the Gross Amount Received and Expended on account of the Telegraph Service during the year ended 31st March 1887, and the Balance of the Receipts over the Expenditure; prepared in pursuance of Section 4 of the 39th Vic. c. 5; and a Statement additional to the above Account prepared in pursuance of the same Section.

Greek Loan.

An Account of the Moneys paid out of the Consolidated Fund, under the Acts 2 & 3 Will. 4, c. 121, and 6 & 7 Will. 4, c. 94, for Interest and Sinking Fund on that part of the Greek Loan which is guaranteed by this Country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the Amount repaid by the Greek Government on account of the same, up to the 31st December 1887.

Sardinian Loan.

An Account of the Total Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund, and advanced to His Majesty the King of Sardinia, by virtue of the Acts 18 Vic. c. 17, and 19 & 20 Vic. c. 39; and also of the Sums received to the 31st December 1887, for Interest and Sinking Fund thereof.

Russian-Dutch
Loan.

An Account of the Sums which have been paid and applied within the year 1887, by virtue of the Act 55 Geo. 3, c. 115, on account of the Russian Dutch Loan.

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

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland) Act,
1882.

No. 7.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme, under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the Management of the Endowments in the Burgh of Saint Andrews and County of Fife, known as the Bell Fund, so far as applicable to Educational purposes, approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland) Act,
1882.

No. 8.

Copy of Scheme, under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the Management of the Endowment known as the Bell Residue Fund, approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland) Act,
1882.

No. 9.

Copy of Scheme, under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the Management of the Endowment in the Burgh of Saint Andrews, and County of Fife, known as the Madras College, approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland) Act,
1882.

No. 10.

Copy of Scheme, under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the Management of the Endowment in the Parish of Campbelltown, and County of Argyll, known as the Campbell Trust, approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Prisons (Scotland).

Copy of Order by the Secretary for Scotland under the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, and the Secretary for Scotland Act, 1885, closing the Prisons of Cupar, Elgin, and Dingwall.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, be printed.

Bank of
England.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of the Amount of Balances of Sums issued for the Payment of Dividends due, and not demanded, and which remained in the hands of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England on certain days, being those next before the issue from the Exchequer of Money for the Payment of Dividends on account of the National Debt, for each of the four preceding Quarters respectively of the year ending 5th January 1888:—And, an Account of the Amount of all Exchequer Bills and other Government Securities, which have been purchased by the Governor

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and Company of the Bank of England, or on which any Sum or Sums have been lent and advanced for the Public Service by the Governor and Company of the said Bank, in the year ending the 5th January 1888, showing what Amount of such Bills, before the making up of this Account, has been paid off and discharged, and the Amount of such Exchequer Bills or other Government Securities, which was in the hands of the Governor and Company of the said Bank on the 5th day of January 1888 aforesaid.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copy of Accounts showing—

1. The Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1887;
2. The Distribution of the Capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year, together with the Correspondence with the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Accountant General of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland, in respect of the Funds of Sutors in the said Court in the year to the 30th September 1887, together with a Statement of Liabilities and Assets and particulars of Securities in Court on the 30th September 1887.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Account.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Account showing the Gross Amount received and the Gross Amount expended in respect of the Telegraph Service from the Date of the Transfer of the Telegraphs to the State to the 31st day of March 1887 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 33, of Session 1887).

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received the following Letters relating to the Imprisonment and Arrest of certain Members of this House:—

Castlereagh, County of Roscommon,
9th February 1888.

Sir,
I beg leave to inform you that David Sheehy, Esq., a Member of the House of Commons, was tried before John T. Dillon, R.M., and Fras. B. Henn, R.M., constituted as a Court of Summary Jurisdiction, pursuant to the provisions of the Act 50 & 51 Vic. chap. 20, at Frenchpark, on the 14th, 15th, and 16th of December last, and was convicted of the offence following:—

“That he, on the 25th day of September 1887, at Frenchpark, in the County of Roscommon, being a proclaimed district under the provisions of ‘The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887,’ did wilfully and unlawfully incite certain persons to resist and obstruct certain other persons, to wit, sheriff’s bailiffs and other ministers of the Law while in the execution of their duty.”

And that the said David Sheehy, Esq., M.P.,

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Civil Contingencies Fund,
1886-7.

No. 11.

No. 12.

Post Office
Telegraphs.
No. 13.

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Imprisonment and
Arrest of
Members.)

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prisonment.

was sentenced by said Court to imprisonment for three calendar months, and that he is at present in Her Majesty's Prison at *Sligo*.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,
John T. Dillon, R.M.

To the Right Honourable
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. Pyne's
Arrest.

Waterford,
11th February 1888.
Sir,
I beg leave to inform you that I have this day committed to the County *Waterford* Gaol Mr. *J. D. Pyne*, a Member of the House of Commons, upon remand to appear at *Kilmacthomas* Petty Sessions on Tuesday next the 14th inst. to answer a charge of having unlawfully incited certain persons to wilfully resist and obstruct certain Sheriffs, Constables, Bailiffs, and others, Ministers of the Law, while in the execution of their duty. The charge states that the offence was committed at *Schrahan*, in the County of *Waterford*, being a proclaimed district under the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act of 1887, and on the 15th day of October 1887. Mr. *J. D. Pyne* is at present in the Prison at *Waterford*.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,
D. G. Bodkin,
Resident Magistrate.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. Pyne and
Mr. Gilhooly
(Arrest.)

13th February 1888.
Sir,
It having been officially communicated to me that Mr. *Jasper Douglas Pyne* and Mr. *James Gilhooly*, both Members of the House of Commons, have been arrested in *London* under *Irish* Warrants backed by me, I have the honour to inform you that Warrants issued by Justices for the Counties of *Waterford* and *Cork* respectively, for offences committed by those gentlemen in those respective Counties in *Ireland*, were presented to me at this Court on the 18th of January last for my Indorsement thereon, and that having satisfied myself, upon the oath of the officer who presented them, that the Warrants were respectively issued by the Justices whose signatures they bore, and that they exercised jurisdiction in the respective Counties in which the alleged offences were committed, I backed the said Warrants under the provisions of the 11 & 12 Vic. c. 42, s. 12.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,
J. Vaughan,

Metropolitan Police Magistrate, sitting at the
Police Court, *Bow Street*.

The Right Hon.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Privilege
(Wrongful
Arrest of Mr.
Patrick
O'Brien.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the wrongful arrest of Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, a Member of this House, in going from the House on Friday 10th February, was a high infringement of the Privilege of Parliament;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House regrets that an indignity should have been offered to the honourable Member for *North Monaghan*; but, considering it to have been a mistake on the part of the Police Officer, does not think it necessary to proceed further with the matter."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "this House regrets that an indignity should have been offered to the honourable Member for *North Monaghan*, but, considering it to have been a mistake on the part of the Police, does not think it necessary to proceed further with the matter," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by leaving out from the word "but" to the end of the proposed Amendment, in order to add the words "the circumstances attending his arrest be referred to the Committee of Privileges of this House, to consider whether any or what action should be taken thereupon, and what measures should be taken to prevent such occurrences in the future."

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the {Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 246.
Yeas, {Colonel *Walrond* :

Tellers for the {Mr. *Arnold Morley*, } 151.
Noes, {Mr. *Cyril Flower* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House regrets that an indignity should have been offered to the honourable Member for *North Monaghan*, but, considering it to have been a mistake on the part of the Police Officer, does not think it necessary to proceed further with the matter.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of *Russia*, have completed the demarcation of the *Afghan* Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their *Asiatic* possessions:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that, animated by a desire to prevent effusion of blood, Her Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of *Abyssinia*, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with *Italy*, and that Her Majesty deeply regrets that Her Majesty's efforts have not been successful:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at *Washington* to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of *Canada* and the *United States* are still in progress:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the *Suez Canal* have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Her Majesty and the *French Republic* are concerned:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into

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into an Agreement with the *French Republic* for the protection of life and property in the group of the *New Hebrides* by a Joint Naval Commission:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in *London* in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australasian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the measures which, at the cost of great labour, were passed during the last Session for the benefit of *Ireland* have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that the result of this legislation, so far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. That agrarian crime has diminished; and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Also, that measures tending to develop the resources of *Ireland*, and to facilitate an increase in the number of the proprietors of the soil, will be laid before us:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Her Majesty has been able to point for many years past. To assure Her Majesty that we join with Her Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. To thank Her Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which the Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish* Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland* will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

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Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's People we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out paragraphs ten and eleven, in order to insert the words "Humbly to represent to Her Majesty that the portion of the *Irish* Legislation of last Session, which was of an ameliorative character, has tended to diminish agrarian crime, whereas the repressive legislation of the Session has done much to alienate the sympathy and respect of Her Majesty's *Irish* subjects for the law; and that the administration of the Criminal Law Amendment Act, as well as much of the action of the Executive in *Ireland*, has been harsh, partial, and mischievous."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 14th February, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

The Sale of Liquors on Sunday (*Ireland*) Act (1878) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for giving further Facilities for the Acquisition of Sites for Places of Worship: And that Mr. John Ellis, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Burt, Mr. M^r Arthur, and Mr. Henry Wilson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to divide Rates between Landlord and Tenant: And that Mr. Seale-Hayne, Mr. Charles Acland, Mr. Cobb, Mr. Cossham, and Sir Bernhard Samuelson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of the thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth years of Her Majesty's reign, chapter ninety-one, intituled, "An Act to authorise the application of Funds of Municipal Corporations and other Governing Bodies in certain cases": And that Mr. Woodall, Mr. Richard Chamberlain, Mr. Picton, Sir Albert Rollit, and Mr. Woodhead do prepare, and bring it in.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of further continuing and appropriating the *London* Coal and Wine Duties:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further continue and appropriate the *London* Coal and Wine Duties.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

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Mr. Courtney accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further continue and appropriate the London Coal and Wine Duties:—And he moved the House accordingly.

London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Sir Robert Fowler, Mr. Baring, Mr. Tatton Egerton, Colonel Hughes, Mr. Webster, Colonel Duncan, Mr. Seager Hunt, and Mr. Isaacs do prepare, and bring it in.

Housing of the Working Classes.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law relating to Dwellings of the Working Classes, and the Artizans' and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1885: And that Lord Henry Bruce, General Goldsworthy, Sir William Plowden, Mr. Howell, and Mr. White do prepare, and bring it in.

Office under the Crown (Vacating of Seats.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Vacation of Seats by Members of the Commons House of Parliament accepting Office under the Crown: And that Mr. W. F. Lawrence, Mr. Arthur Elliot, Mr. Hobhouse, Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Francis Stevenson, Mr. Edmund Robertson, and Mr. Seager Hunt do prepare, and bring it in.

Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Laws existing in the United States and elsewhere on the subject of the Immigration of Destitute Aliens, and as to the extent and effect of such Immigration into the United Kingdom, and to report whether it is desirable to impose any, and, if so, what Restrictions on such Immigration; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Printing.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in all matters which relate to the Printing executed by Order of this House, and for the purpose of selecting and arranging for Printing, Returns and Papers presented in pursuance of Motions made by Members of this House.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Joseph Pease, Mr. Stansfeld, Mr. Raihes, Mr. Whitbread, Sir George Russell, Mr. Parnell, Mr. Murdoch, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Henry H. Fowler, and Mr. Jackson.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to control the Arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms, in the Department of the Serjeant-at-Arms.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Herbert, Mr. A. H. Acland, Mr. Agg-Gardner, Mr. Biggar, Mr. William Corbet, Baron Dimsdale, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Cyril Flower, General Goldsworthy, Colonel Hambro, Viscount Lewisham, Mr. Marjoribanks, Baron de Rothschild, Mr. Sheil, and Colonel Malcolm.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Life Leases Conversion.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Conversion of Leases for Lives into Leases for Years: And that Sir Edmund Lechmere, Mr. Hastings, Sir John Puleston, and Mr. Radcliffe Cooke do prepare, and bring it in.

Ecclesiastical Contumacy.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to substitute Deprivation for Imprisonment for Contumacy in proceeding under the Church Discipline Act of 1840, and "The Public Worship Regulation Act, 1874": And that Colonel Sandys, Mr. Whitley, Mr. Wardle, Mr. Joicey, and Colonel Saunderson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enact a "Close Time" for Hares: And that Colonel Daunay, Sir John Lubbock, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Dillwyn, and Mr. Lawson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sundays in the County of Cornwall: And that Mr. Charles Acland, Mr. Bickford-Smith, Mr. Bolitho, Mr. Conybeare, Mr. Courtney, and Mr. William M'Arthur do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure to the Public the Right of Access to Mountains and Moorlands in Scotland: And that Mr. Bryce, Mr. J. C. Bolton, Mr. Haldane, Mr. Donald Crawford, Sir H. Roscoe, and Mr. Samuel Smith do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Allotments Act, 1887": And that Mr. Cobb, Mr. Channing, Sir Walter Foster, Mr. Seale-Hayne, Mr. Herbert Gardner, Mr. Arthur Acland, and Mr. Winterbotham do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for better securing the Purity of Beer: And that Mr. Quilter, Sir Edward Birkbeck, Baron Dimsdale, Mr. Heneage, Viscount Wolmer, Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson, Mr. Herbert Gardner, Mr. Francis Stevenson, and Mr. Gurdon do prepare, and bring it in.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of enabling Owners and Occupiers in Burghs, Wards of Burghs, Parishes, and Districts in Scotland, to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Burghs, Wards of Burghs, Parishes, and Districts in Scotland, to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Courtney accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Burghs, Wards of Burghs, Parishes, and Districts in Scotland, to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Burghs, Wards of Burghs, Parishes, and Districts in Scotland, to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas: And that Mr. M'Lagan, Mr. Lyell, Dr. Cameron, Mr. Mackintosh, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Stewart, Dr. Clark, Mr. Monro Ferguson, and Mr. Thorburn do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered,

Friendly
Societies Act
(1875) Amend-
ment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875": And that Mr. Norton, Viscount Folkestone, Mr. Hoyle, Mr. Tomlinson, and Mr. Llewellyn do prepare, and bring it in.

University of
Glasgow (Saint
Mungo's Col-
lege.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for establishing in the East End of Glasgow a College of the University of Glasgow: And that Mr. Baird, Mr. Caldwell, and Mr. Mason do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal
Rates.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make Provision for the Making, Assessment, and Collection of Municipal Rates: And that Mr. Craig, Mr. Rowntree, Mr. Dodds, and Sir Albert Rollit do prepare, and bring it in.

Occupiers' Dis-
qualification
Removal.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to relieve Occupiers of Dwelling-houses and Lodgers from Disqualification as Voters at Parliamentary Elections by reason of Temporary Absence on Service: And that Mr. Whitmore, Mr. Jeffreys, Mr. Hozier, and Mr. Mowbray do prepare, and bring it in.

Burials.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of amending the Burial Law:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Burial Law.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Courtney accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Burial Law:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. Osborne Morgan, Mr. John Ellis, Mr. Illingworth, and Mr. Richard do prepare, and bring it in.

British and
Irish Industry.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Defence of British and Irish Industry: And that Mr. Howard Vincent, Mr. Charles Gray, Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Norris, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Farquharson, Mr. Byron Reed, and Mr. Maple do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law in regard to the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses: And that Mr. Webster, Mr. Tatton Egerton, Mr. Isaacs, and Mr. Maple do prepare, and bring it in.

Mining Leases
(Cornwall and
Devon.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Mining Leases in Cornwall and Devon: And that Mr. Charles Acland, Mr. Bickford-Smith, Mr. Bolitho, Mr. Courtney, Mr. William M^r Arthur, and Mr. Seale-Hayne do prepare, and bring it in.

Places of Wor-
ship Sites Bill.
Bill 93.

Mr. John Ellis presented a Bill for giving further Facilities for the Acquisition of Sites for Places of Worship: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of May next; and to be printed.

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Mr. Seale-Hayne presented a Bill to divide Rates between Landlord and Tenant: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next; and to be printed. Bill 94.

Mr. Woodall presented a Bill to amend an Act of the Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth years of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter Ninety-one, intituled, "An Act to authorise the Application of Funds of Municipal Corporations and other Governing Bodies in certain Cases": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant February; and to be printed. Bill 95.

Sir Robert Fowler presented a Bill to further Continue and appropriate the London Coal and Wine Duties: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant February; and to be printed. Bill 96.

Lord Henry Bruce presented a Bill to further amend the Law relating to the Dwellings of the Working Classes and the Artizans' and Labourers' Dwellings Improvements Acts, 1875 to 1885: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill 97.

Mr. W. F. Lawrence presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Vacation of Seats by Members of the Commons House of Parliament accepting Office under the Crown: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed. Bill 98.

Sir Edmund Lechmere presented a Bill to provide for the Conversion of Leases for Lives into Leases for Years: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed. Bill 99.

Colonel Sandys presented a Bill to substitute Ecclesiastical Contumacy in Contumacy Bill. Bill 100.

Colonel Dawney presented a Bill to enact a "Close Time" for Hares: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed. Bill 101.

Mr. Charles Acland presented a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sundays in the County of Cornwall: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant February; and to be printed. Bill 102.

Mr. Bryce presented a Bill to secure to the Public the Right of Access to Mountains and Moor-lands in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of April next; and to be printed. Bill 103.

Mr. Cobb presented a Bill to amend "The Allotments Act, 1887": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed. Bill 104.

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Beer Adulteration Bill.

Bill 105.

Mr. *Quilter* presented a Bill for better securing the Purity of Beer: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

Bill 106.

Mr. *M'Lagan* presented a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Burghs, Wards of Burghs, Parishes, and Districts in *Scotland* to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of April next; and to be printed.

Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment Bill.

Bill 107.

Mr. *Norton* presented a Bill to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of May next; and to be printed.

University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill.

Bill 108.

Mr. *Baird* presented a Bill for establishing in the East End of *Glasgow* a College of the University of *Glasgow*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Municipal Rates Bill.

Bill 109.

Mr. *Craig* presented a Bill to make Provision for the making, Assessment and Collection of Municipal Rates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

Bill 110.

Mr. *Whitmore* presented a Bill to relieve Occupiers of Dwelling Houses and Lodgers from Disqualification as Voters at Parliamentary Elections by reason of temporary Absence on Service: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Burials Bill.

Bill 111.

Mr. *Osborne Morgan* presented a Bill to amend the Burial Law: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of March next; and to be printed.

British and Irish Industry Bill.

Bill 112.

Mr. *Howard Vincent* presented a Bill for the Defence of *British* and *Irish* Industry: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of July next; and to be printed.

Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill.

Bill 113.

Mr. *Webster* presented a Bill to amend the Law in regard to the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 15th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mining Leases (Cornwall and Devon) Bill.

Bill 114.

Mr. *Charles Acland* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Mining Leases in *Cornwall* and *Devon*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of March next; and to be printed.

Licensing Laws Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Saturday the 21st day of April next, the Licensing Laws Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of April next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 14th February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from the Examiners of Petitions for Private [Lords.] Bills, That, in respect of the Bills comprised in the List reported by the Chairman of Ways and Means as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with in the following cases, viz.:

Aberpergum Estate (Bridges).
Airdrie and *Coatbridge* Water.
Aire and *Calder* Navigation.
Assam Company.
Barking Parish Division.
Bexley Heath Railway.
Bexley Heath Railway (Abandonment).
Bridgewater Railway.
Buenos Ayres and *Ensenada* Port Railway.
Chatham and *Brompton* Tramways (Abandonment).
Cheadle Railway Mineral and Land Company.
Chesham, *Boxmoor*, and *Hemel Hempstead* Steam Tramways.
Chingford and *Sewardstone* Lighting.
Clyde Navigation.
Collingbourne and *Avon Valley* Railway.
Colonial Bank.
Didcot, *Newbury*, and *Southampton* Railway.
Drighlington Gas.
East and *West Yorkshire* Union Railways.
Edinburgh and *Leith* Corporation Gas.
Edinburgh and *Leith* Gas.
Epping Church.
Falkirk and District Water.
Folkestone, *Sandgate*, and *Hythe* Tramways.
Forth Bridge Railway.
Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.
Fylde Water.
Glasgow and Suburban Subways.
Glasgow Central Railway.
Glasgow Corporation.
Golden Valley Railway.
Govan Burgh.
Greenock Harbour.
Hamilton Water.
Henley-on-Thames Gas.
Highland and *Dundee* (Direct) Railway.
Hinchley Local Board Water.
Holsworthy and *Bude* Railway.
Hull, *Barnsley*, and *West Riding* Junction Railway and Dock and other Companies (No. 1).
Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment).
James Lewis and Son's *Liverpool* Copper Wharf Company.
Keble College.
Lambourn Valley Railway.
Lanarkshire and *Ayrshire* Railway (Additional Powers).
Lanarkshire and *Ayrshire* Railway (Capital).
Leeds White Cloth Hall.
Life Association of Scotland.
Lincoln Corporation.
Lincolnshire Police Superannuation.
Liverpool and *Birkenhead* Subway.
Liverpool and *London* and *Globe* Insurance Company.
Liverpool Overhead Railway.
Lloyd's.
London and *Blackwall* Railway.
London Sea Water Supply.
Longton Corporation Water.
Manchester Ship Canal.
Medina Subway.
Mersey Railway (No. 1).

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Mersey Railway (No. 2).
Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath,
and Navan and Kingscourt Railways.
Newcastle-upon-Tyne (St. Mary's Hospital,
&c.).
New Zealand and Australian Land Com-
pany.
North British Railway.
North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Ex-
ension).
North Cornwall Railway.
North Sea Fisheries (East Lincolnshire Har-
bour and Dock).
North Staffordshire Water.
Perth Water and Gas.
Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway.
Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western
Junction Railway.
Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western
Junction Railway (River Tavy).
Portlindaleyn Railway.
Preston Corporation.
Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding
Junction Railways.
Seaford Dock and Railway.
Sheerness Pier.
Shropshire Railways.
South Lincolnshire Fen Water.
South Staffordshire Water.
Staffordshire Potteries Water.
Stirling and Western Direct Railway.
Surrey County Loans.
Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation.
Vale of Clyde Tramways.
Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert
Couper's Trust.
Wirral Railway.
Worcester and Broom Railway.

And that they have certified that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in the following cases, viz.:

Blackburn Corporation Tramways.
Brighton Marine Palace and Pier.
Lymington and Lynton Lift.
Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction
Railway and Dock and other Companies
(No. 2).

Private Bill
 Petitions
 (Standing
 Orders not
 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction
Railway and Dock and other Companies
(No. 2).

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Aberdeen Dis-
 trict Tramways
 Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *Aberdeen District*
Tramways Company to construct additional
Tramways; to amend "The Aberdeen District
Tramways Act, 1872," and "The Aberdeen Dis-
trict Tramways Extension Act, 1878," and for
other purposes, was read the first time; and re-
ferred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private
Bills.

Alexandra
 (Newport and
 South Wales)
 Docks and
 Railway Bill.

A Bill for empowering the *Alexandra (New-*
port and South Wales) Docks and Railway Com-
pany to construct a new Lock, Wharves, Rail-
ways, and other Works, and to abandon certain
authorised Works, and for other purposes, was
read the first time; and referred to the Exami-
ners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ayr and Dis-
 trict Tramways
 (Abandon-
 ment) Bill.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the *Ayr and*
District Tramways, and for authorising the re-
payment of the Money deposited for securing
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the Completion thereof, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to extend the Time for the Completion of the Railway and Causeway and Pier autho-
 rised by "The *Ballina and Killala Railway and*
Harbour Act, 1883," was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for
Private Bills.

A Bill to enable the *Barnstaple Water Com-*
pany to construct additional Works and raise ad-
 ditional Capital, and for other purposes, was
 read the first time; and referred to the Exami-
 ners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to enable the *Barry Dock and Rail-*
ways Company to purchase additional Lands and
 make certain Works near *Barry Island*, and for
 other purposes, was read the first time; and re-
 ferred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private
 Bills.

A Bill to enable the *Barry Dock and Railways*
Company to construct a new Railway to join the
Rhymney Railway, and for other purposes, was
 read the first time; and referred to the Exami-
 ners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to confer on the Vestry of the Parish
 of *Saint Mary, Battersea*, in the County of
Surrey, further Powers of dealing with certain
 Parish Lands, was read the first time; and ordered
 to be read a second time.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the *Billing-*
hay and Metherringham (Light) Railway, was read
 the first time; and referred to the Examiners of
 Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the
Brecon and Merthyr Tydfil Junction Railway
Company, was read the first time; and referred
 to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to provide for the cancelling of a Bond
 entered into under "The *Bristol Port Extension*
Railways Act, 1864," was read the first time; and
 ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the *Bristol Port Railway*
and Pier Company to construct additional Rail-
 ways, and for other purposes, was read the first
 time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions
 for Private Bills.

A Bill for the granting of further Powers to
 the *Bristol Waterworks Company, and for other*
 purposes, was read the first time; and referred
 to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to authorise the acquisition of a House
 and Grounds known as *Raleigh House*, and other
 Property at *Brixton Hill*, in the County of
Surrey, and the preservation thereof for public
 purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to
 be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the *Brymbo Water Com-*
pany to construct additional Waterworks in the
 Counties of *Denbigh and Flint*, and for other
 purposes, was read the first time; and referred
 to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring upon the *Bute Docks*
Company additional Powers in connection with
 their Docks and Works at *Cardiff*; for amend-
 ing the *Bute Docks Acts*, and for other purposes,
 was read the first time; and referred to the
 Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Cardiff,
Penarth, and
Barry Junction
Railways Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the *Cardiff, Penarth, and Barry Junction* Railways Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Channel
Tunnel (Ex-
perimental
Works) Bill.

A Bill to authorise Experimental Works for a Tunnel beneath the Straits of *Dover* to be maintained and continued, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

City of London
(Fire Inquests)
Bill.

A Bill to define the Jurisdiction, and to regulate the Proceedings of the Coroner of the City of *London*, with regard to Inquests upon Fires within the said City, was read the first time; ordered to be read a second time.

Clifton Sus-
pension Bridge
Bill.

A Bill for granting further Powers to the *Clifton Suspension Bridge* Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Columbia
Market and
Railways Bill.

A Bill to extend the Time for purchasing Lands and completing the Railways and Works authorised by "The *Columbia Market Act, 1885*," was read the first time; ordered to be read a second time.

Cork and
Bandon Rail-
way Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *Cork and Bandon* Railway Company to construct a deviation Railway in substitution for a portion of their existing Railway and new Railways at *Cork*; to raise further Capital by Debenture Stock; to consolidate their Preference Stocks, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Dore and
Chinley Rail-
way Bill.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the *Dore and Chinley* Railway, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Draycott Gas
Bill.

A Bill to re-incorporate with further Powers the *Draycott Gas* Company, Limited, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Eastern and
Midlands Rail-
way (Exten-
sions) Bill.

A Bill to enable the Eastern and Midlands Railway Company to make new Railways in the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Rutland*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Enniskillen,
Bundoran, and
Sligo Railway
Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Repayment of the Moneys deposited in respect of the Railways authorised to be constructed by "The *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway (Donegal Extension)*," and "The *Enniskillen and Bundoran Extension Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1879*," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Folkestone
Water Bill.

A Bill for the granting of further Powers to the *Folkestone* Waterworks Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Frodsham Gas
and Water Bill.

A Bill for dissolving the *Frodsham Gas* Company, Limited, and for re-incorporating the Members thereof with others, and conferring Powers on them for the Supply of Gas and Water to the Town of *Frodsham* and Neighbourhood, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to authorise the Construction of certain Railways from the *Callander and Oban* Railway, in the County of *Perth*, to *Loch Lomond*, in the County of *Dumbarton*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Grand Junction Water-works Company to execute further Works; to amend the Acts relating to that Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to incorporate a Company for the Construction of Railways between *Southall* and *Edgware*, in the County of *Middlesex*, to be called the Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the Great Western Railway Company in connection with their own and other Undertakings, and upon them and other Companies in connection with Undertakings in which they are jointly interested, for vesting in the Great Western Railway Company the Undertakings of the *Leominster and Bromyard* and the *Worcester, Bromyard, and Leominster* Railway Companies, for authorising and confirming Agreements with the *Kingsbridge* and *Salcombe* and other Railway Companies, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the Great Western Railway Company for the Construction of new Railways in the County of *Glamorgan*, for authorising Agreements between that Company and the *Bute Docks* Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to extend the Powers of the *Greenwich and Millwall* Subway Company for the completion of their authorised Subway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to authorise the Corporation of *Halifax* to make additional Waterworks, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the *Harrow and Stanmore* Railway Company to deviate a portion of their authorised Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for supplying the Borough of *Helston*, the Parish of *Sithney*, and the Town of *Porthleven* and Neighbourhood with Water, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the *Hexham* Local Board to make Waterworks, and supply Water, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the making of a new Street from *Whitehall* to the *Victoria Embankment*, in the City and Liberty of the City of *Westminster*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill

Kensington
Square Im-
provements
Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Construction of New and Widening of existing Streets and the taking of Lands in the Parish of *Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Kent Water
Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the Company of Proprietors of the *Kent Waterworks*, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Keswick Gas
Bill.

A Bill to re-incorporate with further Powers the *Keswick Gaslight and Coke Company* (Limited), was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Kingston-
upon-Thames
Improvement
Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Kingston-upon-Thames* for the Improvement and good Government of the Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lancashire and
Yorkshire
Railway Bill.

A Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company* with relation to their Undertaking; and to enable them to acquire the Undertaking of the *Bury and Tottington District Railway Company*; and to confer further Powers on the *Halifax High Level and North and South Junction Railway Company* with respect to their Undertaking, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lancaster
Corporation
Bill.

A Bill to extend the Boundaries of the Borough of *Lancaster*; to confer further Powers upon the Corporation of *Lancaster* with respect to their Gas and Water Undertakings and with respect to Street Improvements; to make further Provision for the good Government of the Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Latimer Road
and Acton
Railway Bill.

A Bill to extend the Powers of the *Latimer Road and Acton Railway Company* was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Limerick
Harbour Bill.

A Bill to authorise the repeal of Rates and Duties now levied in the Port of *Limerick*, and to authorise other Harbour Rates to be levied in lieu thereof; and to authorise the *Limerick Harbour Commissioners* to borrow Money on the Security of the said Rates, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Limpfield and
Oxsted Water
Bill.

A Bill for dissolving the *Limpfield and Oxsted Water Company* (Limited); for re-incorporating the Proprietors therein with others; and for conferring Powers on the Company so to be incorporated, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Listowel and
Ballybunion
Railway Bill.

A Bill for making Extension Railways from the *Listowel and Ballybunion Railway*, and also a Harbour at *Ballybunion Bay*, in the County of *Kerry*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Llanelly Local
Board Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Local Board of Health for the District of the Borough of *Llanelly* to sell certain Estates vested in them as Trustees; to appropriate for public purposes the Sites of certain Institutions vested in them as Trustees on reinstating such Institutions elsewhere; and to

create Local Board Stock; for altering the Securities for the repayment of certain Borrowed Monies; making better provision for the Health and Government of the District, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the Time for purchasing Land and completing the *Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway* was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Llangammarch
and Neath and
Brecon Junction
Railway
Bill.

A Bill for conferring further powers upon the *London and North Western Railway Company* in relation to their own Undertaking and other Undertakings in which they are interested jointly with other Companies, and also for conferring Powers upon the *Great Western Railway Company*, the *Midland Railway Company*, and other Railway Companies in relation to such other Undertakings, for dissolving the *North Union Railway Company* and the *Preston and Wyre Railway Harbour and Dock Company*, and for appointing a Joint Committee of the Company and the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London and
North Western
Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Amalgamation of a working Union of the Undertakings of the *London and Saint Katharine Docks Company* and the *East and West India Dock Company*, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London and
Saint Katharine
and East
and West India
Docks Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London,
Brighton, and
South Coast
Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London,
Chatham, and
Dover Railway
Bill.

A Bill to amend "The *London (City) Tithes (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate) Act, 1881*," and to confer upon the Churchwardens and Tithe owner respectively additional Powers, Rights, and Privileges, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London City
Tithes (Saint
Botolph With-
out, Aldgate)
Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Company*, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London,
Tilbury, and
Southend Rail-
way Bill.

A Bill to extend the Time for the compulsory Purchase of Lands, and for completing the *Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Manchester,
Middleton, and
District Tram-
ways Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company* in connection with their Undertaking, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Manchester,
Sheffield, and
Lincolnshire
Railway (Addi-
tional Powers)
Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company* to make New Railways, to confer further Powers on the Company in connection with their Undertaking, and

Manchester,
Sheffield, and
Lincolnshire
Railway (New
Railways) Bill

for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.) Bill. A Bill to confer Powers upon the Metropolitan Board of Works for Inspecting Theatres, Music Halls, and Places of Entertainment, and granting Certificates, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Bill. A Bill to confer Powers on the Metropolitan Board of Works with respect to the Widening of *Church Street, Fulham*, the constructing of Bridges, the providing and extending of Recreation Grounds, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill. A Bill for making Railways in the County of *Middlesex*, to be called "The Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Midland Railway Bill. A Bill to confer Additional Powers upon the Midland Railway Company for the Construction of Works and the Acquisition of Lands; for raising further Capital; for amalgamating with their Undertaking the Undertaking of the *Dore and Chinley* Railway Company; and for extending the Time for the Acquisition of Lands for, and the Construction of, the *Dore and Chinley* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Milford Docks Bill. A Bill to extend the Time limited for the Completion of the Docks and Works of, and to confer further Powers upon the *Milford Docks* Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Nelson Local Board Bill. A Bill to confer further Powers upon the Local Board for the District of *Nelson*, in the County of *Lancaster*, with respect to their Waterworks and Gasworks Undertakings and Works for Sewage disposal, and for preventing the spread of Infectious Diseases, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Newhaven Harbour Bill. A Bill to authorize the Construction of Additional Works, and to extend the Time for completing certain authorized Works at *Newhaven* Harbour, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill. A Bill to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Monmouth*, to purchase the Undertaking of the *Newport* Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill. A Bill to authorize the Abandonment of the Railway authorized by "The *Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction* Railway Act, 1883," and the Construction of a Tramroad instead thereof, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill. A Bill to extend the Time limited for the compulsory Purchase of Lands for and the Completion of certain Railways, and to revive the Powers for the Construction of other Railways; to confer further Powers upon the *Rhondda and Swansea Bay* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to authorize the *Rhymney* Railway Company to make new Railways; to confer further Powers on the Company in connection with their Undertaking, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to incorporate the *Riddings* District Gas Company; to confer Powers on them with reference to the Acquisition, Construction, and Maintenance of Works, the Supply of Gas, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the *Rossendale Valley* Tramways Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the *Rotherham and Bawtry* Railway, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for the Settlement by Arbitration of certain Claims and Differences existing between the South Eastern Railway Company and the *London, Chatham, and Dover* Railway Company, and for constituting a Court of Arbitration to determine those matters, and for other purposes relating thereto, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the South Eastern Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring Additional Powers on the *South Indian* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Supply of Water by the *Stockton and Middlesbrough* Water Board, and to confer further Powers on the said Board, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for making a Railway from *Sutton* to *Raynes Park*, in the County of *Surrey*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for amalgamating the Undertakings of the *Taff Vale* Railway Company, and of the *Bute Docks* Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to empower the *Taff Vale* Railway Company to construct new Railways in *Glamorganshire*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to empower the *Taff Vale* Railway Company to construct Railways between *Cardiff* and the *Monmouthshire* Valleys, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to authorize an Alteration of the Tunnel authorized by "The *Thames Tunnel (Blackwall)* Act, 1887," was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill

Uckfield Water Bill. A Bill for incorporating the *Uckfield Water Company*, and conferring Powers on them for the Construction of Works, the Supply of Water, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

United Telephone Company Bill. A Bill to afford to the United Telephone Company (Limited), additional Facilities for Telephonic Communication, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill. A Bill for the Abandonment of the *Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway*, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Vauxhall Park Bill. A Bill to authorize the Acquisition of the *Lawn and Carroun House, Lambeth*, and its Utilization for public purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill. A Bill to authorize the Corporation of the Borough of *West Ham* to construct certain Improvements and other Works; to appoint Collectors of the Poor Rate, and to make Provision for the Transfer to such Corporation of the Jurisdiction within the said Borough of the Commissioners of Sewers for *Havering, Dagenham*, and other Levels, and for the good Government of the Borough; to enable the said Corporation to borrow Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill. A Bill to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *West Ham* to create Corporation Stock, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West Surrey Water Bill. A Bill to enable the *West Surrey Water Company* to construct additional Works and raise additional Capital, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill. A Bill to extend the Time for the Purchase of Lands and for the Completion of the *Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill. A Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Company*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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East India (Loans raised in England.) *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Loans raised in *England*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 14.

East India (Loans raised in India.) *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Loans raised in *India*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 15.

Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen. *Ordered*, That the Account relative to the Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 16.

Ramsgate Harbour. *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to *Ramsgate Harbour*, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 17.

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Ordered, That the Account relative to Light-houses Abroad, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 18.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Police (Counties and Boroughs), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 19.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887 (Proclamations), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 20.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Roads and Bridges (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 21.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities of *Oxford and Cambridge* Act, 1877 (*Oxford*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 22.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Army (Courts Martial), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 23.

Ordered, That the Account relative to *Chelsea Hospital*, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 24.

Ordered, That the Military Forces Localization (Appropriation Account), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 25.

Ordered, That the Post Office Telegraphs (Capital Account), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 26.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Duchy of *Lancaster*, which were presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 27.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Law Administration (*Ireland*) (Cost), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 28.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 29.

Ordered, That the Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Appropriation Accounts), which were presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 30.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Post Office Telegraphs, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 31.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Greek Loan, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 32.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Sardinian Loan, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 33.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Russian-Dutch Loan, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 34.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 35.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Bank of *England*, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 36.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 258 and No. 259.

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

Life Assurance Companies. Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Statements of Account and of Life Assurance and Annuity Business, and Abstracts of Actuarial Reports deposited with the Board of Trade, under "The Life Assurance Companies Act, 1870," for the year ended 31st December 1887.

Railways (Certificates) (Southwold Railway Company.) Copy of Draft Certificate of the Board of Trade, under "The Railway Companies' Powers Act, 1864," authorising the *Southwold Railway Company* to raise Additional Capital.

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

Meeting of the House (Ash Wednesday.) A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House will meet To-morrow, at Two of the clock;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 161.
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Caine*, } 91.
Noes, { Mr. *Craig* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Business of the House (Queen's Speech, Motion for Address.) Ordered, That the Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Queen's Speech, Motion for Address, have precedence this day of the Notices of Motions and Orders of the Day, and To-morrow of the other Orders of the Day.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.) The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of *Russia*, have completed the demarcation of the *Afghan* Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their *Asiatic* possessions:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that, animated by a desire to prevent the effusion of blood, Her Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of *Abyssinia*, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with *Italy*, and that Her Majesty deeply regrets that Her Majesty's efforts have not been successful:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at *Washington* to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of *Canada* and the United States are still in progress:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the *Suez Canal* have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Her Majesty and the *French Republic* are concerned:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with

satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the *French Republic* for the protection of life and property in the group of the *New Hebrides* by a Joint Naval Commission:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in *London* in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australasian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the measures which, at the cost of great labour, were passed during the last Session for the benefit of *Ireland*, have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that the result of this legislation, so far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. That agrarian crime has diminished; and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Also, that measures tending to develop the resources of *Ireland*, and to facilitate an increase in the number of the proprietors of the soil, will be laid before us:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Her Majesty has been able to point for many years past. To assure Her Majesty that we join with Her Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. To thank Her Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish Universities*, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland* will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

Humbly

Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's people we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God:

Irish Legislation.

And which Amendment was, to leave out paragraphs ten and eleven, in order to insert the words, "Humbly to represent to Her Majesty that the portion of the *Irish* legislation of last Session which was of an ameliorative character has tended to diminish agrarian crime, whereas the repressive legislation of the Session has done much to alienate the sympathy and respect of Her Majesty's *Irish* subjects for the law; and that the administration of the Criminal Law Amendment Act, as well as much of the action of the Executive in *Ireland*, has been harsh, partial, and mischievous";

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 15th February, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Land Tenure (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Land in *Scotland*: And that Mr. Barclay, Mr. Mackintosh, Sir George Balfour, and Mr. William Hunter do prepare, and bring it in.

Borough Funds (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and extend to *Ireland* the Municipal Corporations (Borough Funds) Act: And that Mr. Murphy, Mr. T. D. Sullivan, Mr. T. Harrington, and Mr. E. Dwyer Gray do prepare, and bring it in.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales.)

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of enabling Owners and Occupiers in *Wales* to have effectual Control over the Liquor Traffic:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in *Wales* to have effectual Control over the Liquor Traffic.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Stuart Wortley accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in *Wales* to have effectual Control over the Liquor Traffic:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in *Wales* to have effectual Control over the Liquor Traffic: And that Mr. Bowen Rowlands, Mr. Richard, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Thomas Ellis, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Esslemont, Mr. Cossam, Mr. Bryn Roberts, and Mr. Carew do prepare, and bring it in.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for Regulating the Police and Sanitary Administration of Towns and Populous Places, and for facilitating the Union of Police and Municipal Administration in Burghs in *Scotland*;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 122.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Dr. Tanner, } 19.
Mr. Flynn:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland*, and Sir Herbert Maxwell do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of enabling Ratepayers and others in Towns and Districts to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors within the said Areas:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Ratepayers and others in Towns and Districts to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors within the said Areas.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Stuart Wortley accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Ratepayers and others in Towns and Districts to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors within the said Areas:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Ratepayers and others in Towns and Districts to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors within said Areas: And that Mr. Allison, Mr. Jacob Bright, Mr. Burt, Sir Walter Foster, Mr. Caine, Mr. Jacoby, Mr. Cossam, Mr. Henry Wilson, and Mr. Octavius V. Morgan do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for a System of National Insurance against Accidents in Mines in *Scotland*: And that Mr. Baird, Mr. Hozier, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Hugh Elliot, and Mr. Bruce do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Mr. Fenwick be discharged from the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons).

Ordered, That Mr. Cremer be added to the Committee.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Bankruptcy and Bankruptcy Proceedings in *Ireland*: And that Mr. Peter McDonald, Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Sexton, Mr. John Barry, Mr. O'Hea, and Mr. Mc Cartan do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Land in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*: And that Mr. Bryn Roberts, Mr. John Roberts, Mr. Warrington, Mr. Bowen Rowlands, and Mr. Thomas Ellis do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered,

Foreshore and Fishery Rights. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Foreshore and Fishing Rights: And that Mr. Macdonald Cameron, Mr. Angus Sutherland, Mr. Wallace, and Mr. Hunter do prepare, and bring it in.

Agricultural Tenant's Improvement Protection. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Agricultural Holdings (England) Act, 1883": And that Mr. Seale-Hayne, Mr. Cobb, Mr. Thomas Ellis, and Sir Bernhard Samuelson do prepare, and bring it in.

Vagrant Act Amendment. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Vagrant Act: And that Mr. Charles Acland, Sir Robert Fowler, Sir John Kennaway, Mr. Harry Davenport, Mr. Caine, and Mr. John Talbot do prepare, and bring it in.

Hares Preservation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Tenure (Scotland) Bill. Mr. Barclay presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Land in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Borough Funds (Ireland) Bill. Mr. Murphy presented a Bill to amend and extend to Ireland the Municipal Corporations (Borough Funds) Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill. Mr. Bowen Rowlands presented a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Wales to have effectual Control over the Liquor Traffic: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 2nd day of March next; and to be printed.

Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill. The Lord Advocate presented, a Bill for regulating the Police and Sanitary Administration of Towns and populous Places, and for facilitating the Union of Police and Municipal Administration in Burghs in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill. Mr. Allison presented a Bill to enable Rate-payers and others in Towns and Districts to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors within the said Areas: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed.

Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill. Mr. Baird presented a Bill to provide for a System of National Insurance against Accidents in Mines in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill. Mr. Peter McDonald presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Bankruptcy and Bankruptcy Proceedings in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of March next; and to be printed.

Land Law (Wales and Monmouthshire) Bill. Mr. Bryn Roberts presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Land in Wales and Monmouthshire: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Macdonald Cameron presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Foreshore and Fishing Rights: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next; and to be printed. **Bill 123.**

Mr. Seale-Hayne presented a Bill to amend "The Agricultural Holdings (England) Act, 1883": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next; and to be printed. **Bill 124.**

Mr. Charles Acland presented a Bill to amend the Vagrant Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed. **Bill 125.**

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Payment, out of Monies to be provided by Parliament, of a Salary to the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland; **Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]**

The Lord Advocate, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 15th February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Bristol (Western Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Michael Edward Hicks Beach, Baronet, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of President of the Board of Trade. **Bristol Borough (Western Division) Writ.**

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. **Public Petitions. Vide First Report.**

Ordered, That the Account relative to Life Assurance Companies, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant February, be printed. **Life Assurance Companies. No. 37.**

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Army Services for the year ended 31st March 1887, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon; also, Statement of the Surpluses and Deficits upon the Grants for Army Services, for the year ended 31st March 1887, showing all Cases in which the War Department has obtained the sanction of the Treasury to Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year, together with Copies of the Representations made to the Treasury by that Department; also the Balance Sheet, showing the Ledger Balances on the 30th September. **Army Appropriation Account.)**

September 1887, the Date on which the Account of Army Receipt and Expenditure for the Year 1886-87 was closed.

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

Army (Pensions of Soldiers and Pay and Pensions of Yeomanry.)

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Further Regulations as to Pensions of Soldiers and Pay and Pensions of Yeomanry, in accordance with 47 & 48 Vic. c. 55.

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

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of Russia, have completed the demarcation of the Afghan Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their Asiatic possessions:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that, animated by a desire to prevent effusion of blood, Her Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of Abyssinia, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with Italy, and that Her Majesty deeply regrets that Her Majesty's efforts have not been successful:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at Washington to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of Canada and the United States are still in progress:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the Suez Canal have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Her Majesty and the French Republic are concerned:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the French Republic for the protection of life and property in the group of the New Hebrides by a Joint Naval Commission:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in London in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of Australasian com-

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merce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us, that the measures which, at the cost of great labour, were passed during the last Session for the benefit of Ireland have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that the result of this legislation, so far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. That agrarian crime has diminished; and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Also, that measures tending to develop the resources of Ireland, and to facilitate an increase in the number of the proprietors of the soil, will be laid before us:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in England; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Her Majesty has been able to point for many years past. To assure Her Majesty that we join with Her Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. To thank Her Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the Scottish Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in Scotland will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's People we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God:

And which Amendment was, to leave out paragraphs ten and eleven in order to insert the words, "Humbly to represent to Her Majesty that the portion of the Irish legislation of last Session which was of an ameliorative character has tended to diminish agrarian crime, whereas the repressive legislation of the Session has done much to alienate the sympathy and respect of Her Majesty's Irish subjects for the law; and that the administration of the Criminal Law Amendment Act, as well as much of the action of the Executive in Ireland, has been harsh, partial, and mischievous," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That

the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Hares Preservation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And, it being a quarter of an hour before Six of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned till To-morrow.

Personal Property (Exemption.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt Personal Property (to a Limited Value) from Seizure and Sale under Legal Process: And that Mr. Edmund Robertson, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Picton, Mr. Cossham, Mr. Channing, Mr. M'Ewan, and Mr. Howorth do prepare, and bring it in.

Housing of Working Classes (London.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the better Housing of the Working Classes in London: And that Mr. Robert Reid, Mr. Broadhurst, Sir Walter Foster, and Mr. Lawson do prepare, and bring it in.

Personal Property (Exemption) Bill.

Mr. Edmund Robertson presented a Bill to exempt Personal Property (to a Limited Value) from Seizure and Sale under Legal Process: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Bill 126.

Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill.

Mr. Robert Reid presented a Bill to facilitate the better Housing of the Working Classes in London: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Bill 127.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 16th February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Standing Orders.

ORDERED, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders do consist of Twelve Members:—Mr. Barclay, Sir Edward Birkbeck, Mr. Cubitt, Mr. Arthur Elliott, Mr. Dwyer Gray, Mr. Halsey, Mr. William Lowther, Sir John Mowbray, Colonel Nolan, Sir Lyon Playfair, Mr. Stansfeld, and Mr. Whitbread were accordingly nominated Members of the Committee.

Selection.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection do consist of Ten Members:—Dr. Cameron, Lord Edward Cavendish, Mr. Cubitt, Sir Archibald Orr Ewing, Sir Robert Fowler, Mr. Illingworth, Mr. Justin M'Carthy, Sir Hussey Vivian, Mr. Whitbread, and the Chairman of the Select Committee on Standing Orders were accordingly nominated Members of the Committee.

Public Petitions (First Report.)

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 10th, 13th, and 14th days of this instant February, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Second Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Railways (Maximum Charges), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed.

Railways (Maximum Charges.) No. 38.

Ordered, That the Army Appropriation Account, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant February, be printed.

Army Appropriation Account. No. 39.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Annual Return of the Volunteer Corps of Great Britain, for 1887.

Army (Volunteer Corps.)

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

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Interim Report of the Commissioner appointed to inquire into the Affairs of the Trustee Savings Bank at Cardiff, with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix.

Cardiff Trustee Savings Bank Inquiry.

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account of the Gross Amount of all Moneys received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, and of the Gross Amount of Stock bought and sold by, and transferred to the said Commissioners on account of "The Fund for the Military Savings Banks," pursuant to 22 & 23 Vic. c. 20, from the 19th September 1845 to the 5th January 1888.

National Debt (Military Savings Banks.)

(1.) An Account of the Gross Amount of all Sums received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, on account of Banks for Savings and Friendly Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, from their commencement at 6th August 1817 to the 20th November 1887, inclusive:—Of the Aggregate Amount of the separate Surplus Fund of all Savings Banks at 20th November 1887, and of the Gross Amount of all Sums transferred to, or paid out of such Surplus Fund in the course of the year ended 20th November 1887:—And, of all Expenses incurred by the said Commissioners for Salaries of Clerks or other Incidental Expenses during the year ended 20th November 1887:—(2.) An Account, setting forth, in detail, the whole of the several Transactions which have taken place during the year ended 20th November 1887, in the Investment of all Moneys which came into the hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, for Savings Banks and Friendly Societies, and of all the Variations which have taken place during such year, in the Securities held by the said Commissioners for those Institutions:—(3.) An Account showing the Aggregate Amount of the Liabilities of the Government to the Trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies respectively, on 20th November 1887, and the Nature, Amount, and Value of the Assets held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to meet the same, and the Amount of the Deficiency thereon.

National Debt (Savings Banks and Friendly Societies.)

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme, under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the Management of the Endowments in the United Parishes of Daviot and Dunlichty and County of Inverness, known as Clark's Bequest and the Nairnside School, approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882. No. 40.

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

Resolved,

Hayti (Im-
prisonment of
Mr. Coles.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Correspondence in connection with the Imprisonment of Mr. Coles, a British subject, in Hayti.

Queen's Speech
(Motion for
Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of Russia, have completed the demarcation of the Afghan Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their Asiatic Possessions:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that, animated by a desire to prevent effusion of blood, Her Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of Abyssinia, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with Italy, and that Her Majesty deeply regrets that Her Majesty's efforts have not been successful:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at Washington to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of Canada and the United States are still in progress:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the Suez Canal have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Her Majesty and the French Republic are concerned:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the French Republic for the protection of life and property in the group of the New Hebrides by a Joint Naval Commission:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in London in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of Australasian commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the measures which, at the cost of great labour, were passed during the last Session for the benefit of Ireland, have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed:

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To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that the result of this legislation, so far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. That agrarian crime has diminished; and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Also, that measures tending to develop the resources of Ireland, and to facilitate an increase in the number of the proprietors of the soil, will be laid before us:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in England; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Her Majesty has been able to point for many years past. To assure Her Majesty that we join with Her Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. To thank Her Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the Scottish Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in Scotland will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's People we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God:

And which Amendment was, to leave out paragraphs ten and eleven, in order to insert the words "Humbly to represent to Her Majesty Irish Legislation." "that the portion of the Irish legislation of last Session which was of an ameliorative character has tended to diminish agrarian crime, whereas the repressive legislation of the Session has done much to alienate the sympathy and respect of Her Majesty's Irish subjects for the law; and that the administration of the Criminal Law Amendment Act, as well as much of the action of the Executive in Ireland, has been harsh, partial, and mischievous," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Ordered,

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

Land Commission. Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Land Commissioners for the year ending 31st December 1887.

Evictions (Ireland.) Return (compiled from Returns made to the Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary) of cases of Eviction from Agricultural Holdings which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary in the Quarter ended the 30th September 1887, showing the Number of Tenants and Sub-tenants evicted in each County in *Ireland* during the Quarter; the Number re-admitted as Tenants, and the Number re-admitted as Caretakers, on the day the Decree was executed.

Royal University of Ireland. Copy of Royal Warrant, approving alterations in the Statutes of Royal University of *Ireland*.

Local Government Board (Ireland.) Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Thirteen General Orders issued by the Local Government Board (*Ireland*), between 3rd February 1887 and 20th January 1888 inclusive.

Land Commission (Metropolitan Commons Acts, 1866 and 1869.) Copy of Twenty-first Annual Report of the Land Commissioners for *England*, under the Metropolitan Commons Acts, 1866 and 1869.

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

Bank of England. The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—

Copy of all Applications made by the First Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of *England*, for Advances to Government, authorised by Parliament, from the 5th January 1887 to 5th January 1888, with a Copy of the Minutes of the Court of Directors thereon, and the Answers of the said Court thereto, pursuant to Act 59 *Geo.* 3, c. 76.

Church Temporalities (Ireland.) Copy of Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General upon the Account of the *Irish* Land Commission, on account of Church Temporalities in *Ireland*, for the year ended 31st March 1887, together with the Account for the above period, and that from 26th July 1869 (the Date of the *Irish* Church Act) to the 31st March 1887.

Navy Guns. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of (1) Number of new B. L. Guns issued for Sea Service between the 1st day of January and the 24th day of December 1887; (2) Number and Names of Ships waiting for Guns; (3) Weight and Calibre of such Guns; (4) Name of Manufacturer; (5) Dates by which Guns were originally promised; (6) Dates by which Guns are expected to be delivered.

Police Orders, 17th and 21st July 1866. Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the "Police Orders," dated the 17th day of July, and issued the 21st day of July 1866.

Resistance to the Police (Foreign Countries.) Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Punishments in the various Countries of *Europe*, and in the United States of *America*, for resisting or using Violence towards the Police when acting in pursuance of their Orders.

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Ordered, That Mr. *Radcliffe Cooke* have leave of absence for two weeks, on account of ill-health.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of *Russia*, have completed the demarcation of the *Afghan* Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their *Asiatic* possessions:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that, animated by a desire to prevent effusion of blood, Her Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of *Abyssinia*, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with *Italy*, and that Her Majesty deeply regrets that Her Majesty's efforts have not been successful:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at *Washington* to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of *Canada* and the United States are still in progress:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the *Suez Canal* have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Her Majesty and the *French* Republic are concerned:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the *French* Republic for the protection of life and property in the group of the *New Hebrides* by a Joint Naval Commission:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in *London* in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australasian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the measures which, at the cost of great labour, were passed during the last Session for the benefit of *Ireland* have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that the result of this legislation, so far

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far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. That agrarian crime has diminished; and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Also, that measures tending to develop the resources of *Ireland*, and to facilitate an increase in the number of the proprietors of the soil, will be laid before us:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Her Majesty has been able to point for many years past. To assure Her Majesty that we join with Her Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. To thank Her Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which the Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish* Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland* will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's people we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God:

Irish
Legislation.

And which Amendment was, to leave out paragraphs 10 and 11, in order to insert the words, "Humbly to represent to Her Majesty that the portion of the *Irish* legislation of last Session which was of an ameliorative character has tended to diminish agrarian crime, whereas the repressive legislation of the Session has done much to alienate the sympathy and respect of Her Majesty's *Irish* subjects for the law; and that the administration of the Criminal Law Amendment Act, as well as much of the action of the Executive in *Ireland*, has been harsh, partial, and mischievous," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 18th February, 1888:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.

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

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 317.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 229.
Noes, { Mr. Flower: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill; Hares Preservation Bill.

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure to the Public the Right of Access to Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill. Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill. Lands, also ancient or disused Pathways, in the Principality of *Wales*: And that Mr. Thomas Ellis, Mr. William Abraham, and Mr. Bowen Rowlands do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to legalise certain Colonial Marriages: And that Mr. Octavius V. Morgan, Mr. Alexander M^r Arthur, and Sir John Puleston do prepare, and bring it in. Colonial Marriages.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Saving Life at Sea Bill, was read, and discharged. Saving Life at Sea Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of April next.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next. Adjournment.

Mr. Thomas Ellis presented a Bill to secure to the Public the Right of Access to Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill. Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill. Lands, also ancient or disused Pathways, in the Principality of *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed. Bill 129.

Mr. Octavius Morgan presented a Bill to legalise certain Colonial Marriages: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed. Colonial Marriages. Bill 130.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 20th February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

M^r. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, (Standing Order 62 complied with.) viz:

Barnstaple Water Bill.

Billinghay and Metherringham (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Brymbo Water Bill.

Folkestone Water Bill.

Grand Junction Water Bill.

Kent Water Bill.

London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill.

London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill. Midland

Midland Railway Bill.
 Newhaven Harbour Bill.
 Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills
 (Standing
 Order 63 com-
 plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, viz.:

Draycott Gas Bill.
 Limpsfield and Oxted Water Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

University of
 Glasgow (Saint
 Mungo's
 College) Bill
 (Standing
 Orders not
 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 16th day of February, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, viz.:

University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Battersea
 Vestry (Parish
 Lands) Bill.

Ordered, That the Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next.

Bristol Port
 Extension
 Railways Bill.

The Bristol Port Extension Railways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Brixton Park
 Bill.

Ordered, That the Brixton Park Bill be read a second time, upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant February.

City of London
 (Fire Inquests)
 Bill.

The City of London (Fire Inquests) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Columbia
 Market and
 Railways Bill.

The Columbia Market and Railways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Glenfalloch
 Railway Bill.

The Glenfalloch Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Halifax Cor-
 poration Water
 Bill.

The Halifax Corporation Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Helston and
 Porthleven
 Water Bill.

The Helston and Porthleven Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Hexham Local
 Board Bill.

The Hexham Local Board Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Kensington
 Square
 Improvements
 Bill.

The Kensington Square Improvements Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Kingston-upon-
 Thames Im-
 provement Bill.

The Kingston-upon-Thames Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lancaster Cor-
 poration Bill.

The Lancaster Corporation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Limerick
 Harbour Bill.

The Limerick Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Llanelly Local
 Board Bill.

The Llanelly Local Board Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London City
 Tithes (St.
 Botolph With-
 out, Aldgate)
 Bill.

Ordered, That the London City Tithes (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Metropolitan
 Board of Works
 (Various
 Powers) Bill.

The Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

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Ordered, That the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant February.

The Riddings District Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Rossendale Valley Tramways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Uckfield Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Vauxhall Park Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Admiralty (Secretary's Department) (Appointments and Retirements), which was presented upon the 7th day of September, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Bank of England, which was presented upon the 7th day of February, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Bank of England, which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Thames Bridges, which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Church Temporalities (Ireland), which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant February, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into the recent Changes in the relative Values of the Precious Metals, with Notes of Evidence and Appendices.

Copy of Report on certain Statistics of Banking in Ireland, and Investments in Government and India Stocks on which Dividends are payable at the Bank of Ireland.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Police Orders, 17th and 21st July 1866.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 6th February 1888, granting Compensation Allowances to Mr. Patrick Carey and Mr. George William Kell Drewett, Chief Clerk and First Class Clerk respectively in the Consolidated Office of the Queen's

Queen's Bench Division (late of the Common Pleas Division) of the Supreme Court of Judicature in *Ireland*.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 9th February 1888, declaring that the following Person in the under-mentioned Department was appointed to the Office set against her name without the Grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of Her Department, viz., in the Post Office, *Mary Ann Simco*, Postmistress, *Towcester*.

Superannuation Act, 1887.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 26th November 1887, granting a Retired Allowance to Major *Arthur George Wyse*, Resident Magistrate in *Ireland*.

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

Education (New Code), 1888.

Sir William Hart Dyke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations, with Schedules, by the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education, 1888.

Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts.

Sir William Hart Dyke also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Two Schemes under the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts; (1) For the Management of the Foundation known as the Grammar School, in the Parish of *Hitchin*, in the County of *Hertford*, and the Endowments thereof or attached thereto, or held in Trust for such School, or for any purposes of such School; and (2) for the Management of *Rand's* Foundation, in the Parish of *Holwell*, in the County of *Bedford*.

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

Endowed Schools Acts (Schemes.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Schemes submitted to the Education Department by the Charity Commissioners, under the Endowed Schools Acts during the year 1883, and subsequent years, including 1888, up to the Date of the Return, with the Dates at which such Scheme was (1) sent to; and (2) approved by the Department, or otherwise dealt with (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 45, of Session 1887).

Savings Banks (1887.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return from each Savings Bank in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*, containing, in Columns, the Names of the Officers, their respective Salaries, and other Allowances, if any; the Amount of Security each gives; the Number of Accounts remaining open; the Total Amount owing to Depositors; the Total Amount invested with the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; the Rate of Interest paid to Depositors on the various Amounts of Deposit, and the Average Rate of Interest on all Accounts; the Total Amount of Government Stock standing to the credit of Depositors; and the Total Amount of the separate Surplus Fund, on the 20th day of November 1887; the Rate *per centum per annum* on the Capital of the Bank for the Expenses of Management; the Annual Number of Receipts from Depositors; the Annual Number of Payments; the Average Amount of Receipts; the Average Amount of Payments; the Number and Amount of Annuities granted; the Annual Expenses of Management, inclusive of all Payments and Salaries, for the year ended the 20th day of November 1887; also the Year in which Business commenced in each Bank, and the Name of the Day or Days, and the Number of Hours in the Week, on which the Banks

are open for the deposit and withdrawal of Moneys; including in such Return a List of all such Savings Banks as, under the provisions of the Act 26 *Vic.* c. 14, or otherwise, have been closed and have transferred their Funds, or any part thereof, to the Post Office Savings Banks; showing, in each case, the Number of such Banks, as well as the Number and Amount of Depositors' Accounts so transferred, and the Amount of Compensation, if any, made to all or any of the Officers of such Banks respectively; and showing also the years in which such Banks were respectively opened and closed, and the Number and Amount of their Depositors' Balances, and the Number of Days and Hours in each week on which the same Banks were open for Public Business at the close of the year next preceding the date of such closing; distinguishing the same, as in the form of the Return, for each separate County, as well as collectively, for *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, and for the United Kingdom (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 233, of Session 1887).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Royal *Irish* Constabulary Charges Constabulary. in 1887, similar in form to and in continuation of the Return for 1886, presented on the 23rd day of June 1887.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received the following Letter relating to the Remand in Custody of a Member of this House:—

Clonmel, Ireland,
16th February 1888.

Sir,

I beg leave to inform you that late last night Mr. Pyne. I remanded *Douglas Pyne*, Esq., a Member of the House of Commons, until Wednesday next the 22nd February, when he is to be brought up for trial, under the Criminal Law and Procedure Act, at *Clonmel*. He is now, and will remain until that day, in *Clonmel* Prison.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,
S. T. Carew,
Resident Magistrate.

To the Right Honble.

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the Hares Preservation Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of *Russia*, have completed the demarcation of the *Afghan* Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their *Asiatic* possessions:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing

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us that, animated by a desire to prevent effusion of blood, Her Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of *Abyssinia*, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with *Italy*, and that Her Majesty deeply regrets that Her Majesty's efforts have not been successful:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at *Washington* to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of *Canada* and the United States are still in progress:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the *Suez Canal* have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Her Majesty and the *French Republic* are concerned:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the *French Republic* for the protection of life and property in the group of the *New Hebrides* by a Joint Naval Commission:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in *London* in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

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To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Her Majesty has been able to point for many years past. To assure Her Majesty that we join with Her Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. To thank Her Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours:

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Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish Universities*, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland* will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

Humbly to assure Her Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Her Majesty's people we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God;

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

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "But this House humbly expresses to Her Majesty its regret that another deficit is threatened in the *Indian Budget*, and that it has been deemed necessary to raise the Salt Tax in order to meet the same:

"That it views with anxiety these recurring deficits in the *Indian Revenue Accounts*, and urges greater economy in the Administration: "That it calls upon the Government of *India* to meet the wishes of the Native population, both in respect of finance and administration, so far as it can do so consistently with prudence and sound policy, and that it urges Her Majesty's Government to redeem the promise made in the Queen's Speech two years ago, that an inquiry should be made into the Government of *India* by the appointment of a Royal Commission for that purpose."

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

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The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant February, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair [for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]]

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

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

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877," so far as relates to certain Judges, and to the Office of the Accountant General, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. Arthur Balfour, Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland, and Colonel King-Harman do prepare, and bring it in.

Criminal Evidence.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Evidence in Criminal Cases: And that Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Secretary Matthews, and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring it in.

Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854": And that Mr. King, Sir Edward Birkbeck, Mr. White, Sir John Puleston, Lord Claud Hamilton, Admiral Field, and Mr. Bond do prepare, and bring it in.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (India.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Law as to Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister in *British India*: And that Sir William Plowden, Dr. Farquharson, and Viscount Baring do prepare, and bring it in.

Lighthouse Illuminants.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Correspondence on the subject of Lighthouse Illuminants (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 282, of Session 1887).

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Superannuation of Officers and Servants of Pauper Lunatic Asylums in *Ireland*: And that Mr. Johnston and Mr. Chance do prepare, and bring it in.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

Mr. Solicitor General for *Ireland*, presented a Bill to amend "The Supreme Court of Judicature Act (*Ireland*), 1877," so far as relates to certain Judges and to the Office of Accountant General, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Bill 131.

Criminal Evidence Bill.

Mr. Attorney General presented a Bill to amend the Law of Evidence in Criminal Cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Bill 132.

Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill.

Mr. King presented a Bill to amend "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next; and to be printed.

Bill 133.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (India) Bill.

Sir William Plowden presented a Bill to alter and amend the Law as to Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister in *British India*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Bill 134.

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Superannuation) Bill.

Mr. Johnston presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Superannuation of Officers and Servants of Pauper Lunatic Asylums in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time;

Bill 135.

and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the *London, Camberwell, London, and Dulwich Tramways Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers on the *London, Camberwell, and Dulwich Tramways Company*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was brought in accordingly, by Mr. Kelly and Major Rasch.

A Petition of the *London Street Tramways Company*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *London Street Tramways Company* to construct additional Tramways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The *Nelson Local Board Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *London City Tithes (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate) Bill* was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order, No. 62, has been complied with, viz.:

Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill.

South Indian Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in respect of the Bills comprised in the List reported by the Chairman of Ways and Means as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with in the case of the following Bill, viz.:

Southampton Street Tramways Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London Street Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 50.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 261.

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

Mr.

Army (Fever
at Royal
Barracks,
Dublin.)

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Prevalence of Enteric Fever in the Royal Barracks, *Dublin*.

Army
(Reserve.)

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Further Regulations relating to the Army Reserve.

Army
(Militia.)

Copy of Further Regulations relating to the Militia.

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

Royal Parks
and Pleasure
Gardens.

No. 51.

Mr. *Jackson* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return in respect of each Royal Park and Pleasure Garden, of—

- (1.) The Total Area;
- (2.) The Area from which the Public are excluded;
- (3.) To what Use or Uses the latter Area is applied;
- (4.) What Public Revenue, if any, is derived from the said Area.

Consolidated
Fund.

Mr. *Jackson* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract Account, showing the Issues made from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, in the Financial Year ended 31st March 1887, for the Interest and Management of the Public Funded and Unfunded Debt, for the Civil List, and all other Issues in the Financial Year, for Services charged directly on the said Fund; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Woods, Forests,
and Land
Revenues.

Abstract Accounts of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, for the year ended on 31st March 1887, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return relative to Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens be printed.

Augmentation
of Benefices.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return of Proceedings under the Lord Chancellor's Augmentation of Benefices Act, 1863, from the 1st February 1887 to February 1888.

Deptford
Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Deptford*, in the room of *William John Evelyn*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke*, *Desborough*, and *Bonenham*.

Business of
the House
(Queen's
Speech)
(Motion for
Address.)

Ordered, That the Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Address have precedence this day of the Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day, and To-morrow of the other Orders of the Day.

Queen's Speech
(Motion for
Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with

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satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of *Russia*, have completed the demarcation of the *Afghan* Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their *Asiatic* possessions:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that, animated by a desire to prevent effusion of blood, Her Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of *Abyssinia*, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with *Italy*, and that Her Majesty deeply regrets that Her Majesty's efforts have not been successful:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at *Washington* to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of *Canada* and the United States are still in progress:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the *Suez Canal* have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Her Majesty and the *French Republic* are concerned:

To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the *French Republic* for the protection of life and property in the group of the *New Hebrides* by a Joint Naval Commission:

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Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australasian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

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To thank Her Majesty for informing us that our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers:

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To thank Her Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the Scottish Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in Scotland will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation:

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

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "Humbly to express to Your Majesty our regret that no reference is made in Your Most Gracious Speech to the acute distress which prevails in many parts of the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, to the disturbances which have arisen out of that distress, or to any projected remedial legislation intended to put an end to the critical state of matters which at present exists in the North of Scotland."

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 22nd February, 1888:

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "Humbly to express to Your Majesty our regret that no reference is made in Your Most Gracious Speech to the acute distress which prevails in many parts of the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, to the disturbances which have arisen out of that distress, or to any projected remedial legislation intended to put an end to the critical state of matters which at present exists in the North of Scotland," be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Dr. Cameron, 133.
Mr. Angus Sutherland: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, 194.
Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Promotion of Intermediate Education in Wales: And that Mr. Kenyon, Sir John Puleston, Mr. Swetenham, Mr. Walsh, and Admiral Mayne do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Examination of Persons having Charge of Steam Engines and Boilers on Land: And that Mr. Fenwick, Mr. William Crawford, Mr. Burt, Mr. William Abraham (Glamorgan), Mr. Pickard, and Mr. Arthur Acland do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to assimilate the Rating Qualification of the Municipal and Parliamentary Franchise of the Borough of Belfast: And that Mr. De Cobain, Mr. Esslemont, Mr. O'Neill, and Mr. Fenwick do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Payment of Wages weekly in Ireland: And that Mr. De Cobain, Mr. Fenwick, and Mr. Howell do prepare, and bring it in.

A Motion was made, and Question being put, That there be laid before this House, Return of Cases tried under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," up to the 18th day of February, under the following Heads:—Date of Trial; Place of Trial; Names of Magistrates presiding; Name and Age of Accused; Date when Offence was Committed; Place where offence was Committed; Nature of Offence; Result of Trial; Sentence (if Convicted); Whether appealed against; Date when Appeal heard; Place where Appeal heard; Name of Judge by whom Appeal heard; Result of Appeal;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Dillwyn, 92.
Sir John Ellis: }

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Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law for the Regulation of the Profession of Solicitors in Ireland: And that Mr. Maurice Healy, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. O'Hea, Mr. M'Cartan, and Mr. O'Doherty do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant February, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair [for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.];

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Mr. Kenyon presented a Bill for the Promotion of Intermediate Education in Wales: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

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(No. 2.)

Steam Engines
and Boilers.

Municipal
Franchise
(Belfast.)

Wages
(Ireland.)

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Cases
Tried.)

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Parliamentary
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the Lord
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of Ireland
[Salary, &c.]

Intermediate
Education
(Wales)
(No. 2.) Bill
Bill 136.

Steam Engines
and Boilers
Bill.

Bill 137.

Mr. *Fenwick* presented a Bill to provide for the Examination of Persons having charge of Steam Engines and Boilers on Land: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Municipal
Franchise
(Belfast) Bill.

Bill 138.

Mr. *De Cobain* presented a Bill to assimilate the Rating Qualification of the Municipal and Parliamentary Franchise of the Borough of *Belfast*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Wages
(Ireland) Bill.

Bill 139.

Mr. *De Cobain* presented a Bill to provide for the Payment of Wages weekly in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Solicitors
(Ireland) Bill.

Bill 140.

Mr. *Maurice Healy* presented a Bill to amend the Law for the Regulation of the Profession of Solicitors in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Three of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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PRAYERS.

Great Western
and Great
Northern
Junction
Railway Bill.

THE Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Metropolitan
Board of Works
(Theatres, &c.)
Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sutton and
Wimbledon
Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Sutton and Wimbledon Railway Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of March next.

Thames Tunnel
(Blackwall)
Bill.

Ordered, That the Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next.

Police and
Sanitary
Regulations.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection do appoint a Committee, not exceeding Nine Members, to whom shall be referred all Private Bills promoted by Municipal and other Local Authorities, by which it is proposed to create Powers relating to Police and Sanitary Regulations which deviate from, or are in extension of, or are repugnant to, the general Law.

Ordered, That Standing Order 173A. be applicable to all Bills referred to the said Committee.

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

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Third
Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Consolidated
Fund.

No. 52.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Consolidated Fund, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Woods,
Forests, and
Land Revenues.

No. 53.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, which were presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Augmentation of Benefices, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed. No. 54.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Proceedings under the Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887, the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885–86, and "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885," during the Months of September, October, November, December 1887, and January 1888, both in the Land Commission and Civil Bill Courts.

Copy of Returns according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Sub-Commissions and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the Irish Land Commission during the Months of September, October, November, and December 1887, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent where ascertained; also, Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the Irish Land Commission on the Joint Applications of Landlords and Tenants.

Copy of Rules issued under the Land Law (Ireland) Acts in relation to the Acquisition of Land by Tenants, dated 5th December 1887.

Copy of Special Report of the Irish Land Commissioners with respect to their discharge of the Duties imposed on them by the 29th Section of "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887."

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

Lord *George Hamilton* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure of the Capital and of the Income derived from the Lands and other Property held for the benefit of *Greenwich Hospital*, for the year ended on the 31st March 1887, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Account of the Irish Land Commission under the provisions of "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881" (44 & 45 Vic. c. 49), for the period from 22nd August 1881 to 31st March 1887, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, for the year ended 31st March 1887.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

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To assure Her Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Her Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of *Russia*, have completed the demarcation of the *Afghan* Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Her Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their *Asiatic* possessions:

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Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in *London* in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Her Majesty's Empire which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of military science. That we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of *Australian* commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves:

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

Another Amendment was proposed, at the end of the Question, to add the words, "Humbly to represent to Her Majesty that, owing to the great fall in the value of agricultural produce, the payment of rents in *Scotland* fixed before such fall has in many cases become impossible, and that, by reason of many landlords not having made any reduction of rents or having made reductions wholly inadequate, great loss, in some cases amounting to ruin, is being incurred by occupiers of land, and to pray that, by the creation of some competent tribunal or otherwise, steps may be taken to relieve the occupiers of agricultural land from the serious consequences above mentioned."

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Anderson, } 77.

Yeas, { Dr. Farquharson: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 190.

Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to thank Her Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Her Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the information that Her Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world:

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Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address to be presented to Her Majesty upon the said Resolution:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Wharton, Colonel Duncan, Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Secretary Matthews, Secretary Sir Henry Holland, Mr. Secretary Stanhope, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Lord John Manners, Sir Michael Hicks Beach, Mr. Arthur Balfour, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Ahers-Douglas, or any Three of them:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament be referred to the Committee.

Mr. Wharton reported from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to be presented to Her Majesty, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; and the same was read, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

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We thank Your Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish* Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland* will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation.

We humbly assure Your Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Your Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the Measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Your Majesty's people we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God.

The said Address being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by inserting, at the end of the seventh paragraph, the words, "Humbly to represent to Your Majesty that it will conduce to our proper appreciation of certain of the subjects which Your Majesty has recommended to our consideration, if we can be informed that no Correspondence has been exchanged between Your Majesty's Ministers and the Government of His Majesty the King of *Italy*, containing any assurances of a contractual character, which would constitute a binding pact upon Your Majesty's actual Ministers in the unfortunate event of a war breaking out during their tenure of office between the *French Republic* and the Kingdom of *Italy*, or, if such assurances have been given, that they should be brought to our knowledge."

Foreign Policy
(Great Britain,
France, and
Italy.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Further Proceeding on the Report of the Address be deferred till Tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fishery Acts Amendment (*Ireland*) Bill;

Fishery Acts
Amendment
(*Ireland*) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act, 1886, Amendment Bill;

Crofters' Holdings
(*Scotland*)
Act (1886)
Amendment
Bill.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Anderson, } 102.
 { Mr. Fisslemont: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 190.
 { Colonel Waltrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Boards (*Scotland*) Bill;

Parochial
Boards (*Scotland*)
Bill.

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

The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Dr. Cameron, } 91.
Yeas, Mr. Barclay: }
Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 168.
Noes, Colonel Walrond: }
So it passed in the Negative.

Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 1st day of March next.

Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Municipal Rates Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 2nd day of March next.

Rating and Valuation (Scotland.) *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Law relating to the Rating and Valuation of the various kinds of Property subject to Assessment in Scotland, and to report what Amendments may be necessary therein.

Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Habitual Drunkards Act, 1879": And that Dr. Cameron, Sir Lyon Playfair, Sir Trevor Lawrence, and Sir Walter Foster do prepare, and bring it in.

Official Trustee. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to constitute the Office of Official Trustee, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. Warmington, Mr. Haldane, and Mr. Bowen Rowlands do prepare, and bring it in.

Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill. Dr. Cameron presented a Bill to amend "The Habitual Drunkards Act, 1879": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.
Bill 141.

Official Trustee Bill. Mr. Warmington presented a Bill to constitute the Office of Official Trustee, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of April next; and to be printed.
Bill 142.

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House till To-morrow, without putting the Question.

Thursday, 23rd February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz:

London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill.

West Surrey Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 15th, 16th, 17th, 20th, and 21st days of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

A Petition of the Suitors for a Bill for effecting the objects thereafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making Tramways in the Parishes of Lewisham and Greenwich, in the County of Kent, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. Isaacs and Mr. Warmington.

A Bill for conferring further Powers on the London, London, Camberwell, and Dulwich Tramways Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Fines, &c. &c. (Ireland), which were presented upon the 7th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Greenwich Hospital, which was presented upon the 22nd day of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Irish Land Commission (Account, with Report of Comptroller and Auditor General), which was presented upon the 22nd day of this instant February, be printed.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Constitution and Administration of Malta (in continuation of [H.L. 84] May 1887).

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

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing by Provinces and Counties the Number of Persons specially protected by the Royal Irish Constabulary on 31st July 1887 and the 31st January 1888 respectively.

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

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Tables relating to the Progress of the Foreign Trade of the United Kingdom and of other Countries in recent years, with Report to the Board of Trade thereon.

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

Sugar Bounties (International Conference) (Commercial, No. 2, 1888.) Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relative to the Conference on Sugar Bounties held in London in 1887.

Sugar Bounties (International Conference) (Commercial, No. 3, 1888.) Copy of Minutes of Proceedings and Papers laid before the Conference on Sugar Bounties.

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

Railway Companies (Charges for Conveyance of Fish.) Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return by the principal Railway Companies of the United Kingdom, showing the Rates charged by them for the Carriage and Conveyance of Fish for the year ending 31st day of December 1887, in the following Form:—

Return made by the _____ Railway Company.							
Names of the principal Ports at which Fish is received on their Railway.	Names of the Places to which such Fish is principally consigned.	Distances by Railway between the Stations and Places enumerated.	Terminal Charges at the Stations and Places enumerated in excess of the authorized Rate.	Total Weight of Fish received at each of the Stations enumerated.	Rates Charged by Fast Trains for the Distances given.	Rates Charged by Slow or Goods Trains for the Distances given.	Special Rates for large Quantities. Conditions under which Fish is received for Carriage and Conveyance.
				Tons, cwt., qrs. lbs.	Prime. Common.	Prime. Common.	

Hydrophobia. Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Deaths from Hydrophobia during the Ten years ending in 1886 in the United Kingdom.

Parliamentary Constituencies. Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing with regard to each Parliamentary Constituency in the United Kingdom the Number of Electors on the Register now in Force (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 124, of Session 1887).

Supplementary Estimates. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Supplementary Estimates presented on account of the Army and Navy and Civil Service Supply Services (exclusive of Votes of Credit) in each Year since 1868 to 1887, inclusive.

Hampstead Borough Writ. Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Hampstead, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Henry Thurstan Holland, Bart., G.C.M.G., now Baron Knutsford, called up to the House of Peers.

Queen's Speech (Report of Address.) The House according to Order, resumed the further Proceeding on the Report which, upon the 22nd day of this instant February, was made by the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to be presented to Her Majesty, of Thanks for Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech at the Opening of the Session; and the same was again read, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom

of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for the information that Your Majesty continues to receive from all other Powers cordial assurances of their friendly sentiments, as well as of their earnest desire to maintain the peace of the world.

We assure Your Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Your Majesty's Officers, in conjunction with those of the Emperor of Russia, have completed the demarcation of the Afghan Boundary in conformity with the terms of the Convention of last year. That Your Majesty trusts that the work which has thus been brought to a conclusion may tend to remove the possibility of misunderstanding between the two Powers in regard to their Asiatic possessions.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us that, animated by a desire to prevent effusion of blood, Your Majesty despatched a Mission to the King of Abyssinia, with the hope of dissuading him from engaging in a war with Italy, and that Your Majesty deeply regrets that Your Majesty's efforts have not been successful.

We thank Your Majesty for informing us that the deliberations of the Conference assembled at Washington to adjust questions which have arisen between the Dominion of Canada and the United States are still in progress.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us that the negotiations which were commenced in 1885 with respect to the regulation of the Suez Canal have been brought to a conclusion so far as points of difference between Your Majesty and the French Republic are concerned.

We assure Your Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that Your Majesty has also entered into an Agreement with the French Republic for the protection of life and property in the group of the New Hebrides by a Joint Naval Commission.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us that a Conference of Delegates from the Powers interested in the sugar industry was summoned in London in the autumn to consider the possibility of putting an end to the injurious system of bounties; and that they have made considerable progress towards the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us that the Estimates for the Services of this year, which will be laid before us, have been framed with due regard to economy. That we shall be asked to make provision for the improvements in the defences of the ports and coaling stations of Your Majesty's Empire, which have been rendered urgently necessary by the advance of Military science, and that we shall also be asked to sanction an arrangement for providing a special squadron for the protection of Australasian commerce, the cost of which will be partially borne by the Colonies themselves.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us that the measures which, at the cost of great labour, were passed during the last Session for the benefit of Ireland have been carefully carried into effect during the period which has since elapsed.

We assure Your Majesty that we learn with satisfaction that the result of this Legislation, so far as it has been tested by a short experience, has been satisfactory. That agrarian crime has diminished, and the power of coercive conspiracies has sensibly abated. Also, that measures tending to develop the resources of Ireland, and to facilitate an increase in the number of proprietors of the soil, will be laid before us.

We thank Your Majesty for informing us that our

our attention will be invited to the subject of Local Government in *England*; and that measures will be submitted to us for dealing with it, in combination with proposals for adjusting the relations between Local and Imperial Finance, and for mitigating the burdens at present imposed upon the ratepayers.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us that the prospects of commerce are more hopeful than any to which Your Majesty has been able to point for many years past. We assure Your Majesty that we join with Your Majesty in deeply regretting that no corresponding improvement is observable in the condition of agriculture. We thank Your Majesty for commending the interests of that great industry to our attentive care, in the hope that means may be discovered for enabling it to meet more effectively the difficulties under which it labours.

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us that we shall be invited to consider legislative proposals for cheapening the Transfer of Land; for modifying the procedure by which Tithe Rent-charge is collected; for the promotion of Technical Education; for preventing undue preferences in the Rates charged by Railway Companies on Foreign and Domestic Produce; for remedying abuses in the formation of Companies under Limited Liability; and for amending the Law as to the Liability of Employers in case of Accidents.

We thank Your Majesty for informing us that Measures for improving the position of the *Scottish* Universities, and for regulating the Borough Police in *Scotland* will be laid before us; and that proposals will be submitted to us for diminishing the cost of Private Bill Legislation.

We humbly assure Your Majesty that our careful consideration shall be given to the subjects which Your Majesty has recommended to our attention, and to the measures which may be submitted to us; and that we earnestly trust that in these and all other efforts which we may make to promote the well-being of Your Majesty's people we may be guided by the hand of Almighty God.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting, after paragraph 11, the words, "That this House humbly expresses to Your Majesty its regret that no reference is made in Your Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to any measure for *Ireland* which shall deal with the arrears of excessive and unjust rents which have accumulated in many cases during the last two years of agricultural depression from the inability of tenants to pay them, and which shall prevent the wholesale eviction of tenants which is threatened in the district of *Loughrea* and *Woodford*."

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 24th February, 1888:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Mr. Arnold Morley, } 186.
 {Mr. Flower: }

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 261.
 {Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Address to be presented to Her Majesty.

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of March next.

The Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (*Ireland*) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;

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

The Committee of Public Accounts was nominated of Sir John Lubbock, Mr. Barran, Sir Waller Barttelot, Sir George Baden-Powell, Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lane, Mr. Mason, Mr. Arthur O'Connor, Mr. Salt, Sir Richard Temple, and Mr. Wodehouse.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Secretary of State in Council of *India* to raise Money in the United Kingdom for the purchase of the *Oudh* and *Rohilkund* Railway, and for the construction, extension, and equipment of Railways in *India* through the agency of Companies;

Mr. *Raihes*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the Sums required to be voted for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1888, in addition to the Sums already provided in the Estimates presented for that year.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 24th February, 1888.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the *London, Brighton, and South Coast* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *London, Brighton, and South Coast* Railway Bill for Power to the Company to enter into agreement to subscribe Capital for Construction of Seawall, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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Private Bills
(Standing
Order 62 com-
plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill.

Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Lambeth
Vestry.

Ordered, That the Order made upon the 13th day of this instant February, referring the Report from the Examiner in the case of the Petition for the Lambeth Vestry Bill to the Select Committee on Standing Orders be read, and discharged.

South Eastern
Metropolitan
(Lewisham,
Greenwich,
and District)
Tramways Bill.

A Bill for making Tramways in the Parishes of *Lewisham* and *Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third
Report.

British
Museum.

A Petition of the Trustees of the *British Museum* being offered to be presented;

Lord *John Manners*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, that Her Majesty, having been informed of the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the said Petition was brought up, and read; setting forth, That the only Funds belonging to the Petitioners for the support of the *British Museum* consist of Thirty thousand pounds Three per cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, the annual dividend whereof amounts to Nine hundred pounds; of a Bequest of the late Earl of *Bridgewater*, the annual proceeds of which amount to about Four hundred and twenty-five pounds, and of a Bequest of the late Lord *Farnborough*, the annual proceeds of which amount to Eighty-six pounds three shillings and fivepence; that the Establishment is necessarily attended with an Expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned Sums, and the Trust cannot, with benefit to the Public, be carried on without the aid of Parliament; and praying the House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the Trust reposed in them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge, as to the House shall seem meet.

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

Navy
(Appropriation
Account.)

Mr. *Jackson* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Navy Services for the year ended 31st March 1887, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon; also, Statement of the Surpluses and Deficits upon the Grants for Navy Services, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1887, showing all cases in which the Navy Department has obtained the sanction of the Treasury to Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year, together with Copies of the Representations made to the Treasury by the Board of Admiralty; also the Balance Sheet, showing the Ledger Balances on the 30th September 1887, the Date on which the Account of Naval Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1886-87 was closed.

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

Loch Long
and Loch Gail
(Pollution of
Waters.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports to Her Majesty's Secretary for *Scotland* on the alleged

Pollution of the Waters of *Loch Long* and *Loch Gail*, together with Report and Tracings showing the Result of the Re-soundings of a portion of *Loch Long*.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copy of Rule made by the Secretary for *Scotland* as to the constitution of the Visiting Committees to Her Majesty's Prisons at *Aberdeen*, *Dundee*, *Edinburgh*, *Glasgow*, *Inverness*, and *Maxwelltown*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Prisons (Scotland), be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return giving the Names, Date of Appointment, and Qualification of Assistant Commissioners under "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881" (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 324, of Session 1887).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of Statistical Tables and Memorandum relating to the Sea Fisheries of the United Kingdom, including Return of the Quantity of Fish conveyed Inland by Railway from each of the Principal Ports of England and Wales, Scotland, and Ireland, during each of the years from 1882 to 1887, inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 36, of Session 1887).

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the consideration of the proposed Rules of Procedure have precedence of all Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion on every day on which the consideration of those Rules may be set down by the Government;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting, after the second word "day," the words "except Wednesdays";

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Bradlaugh*, } 150.
Yeas, { Mr. *Burt*;

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 247.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*;

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the consideration of the proposed Rules of Procedure have precedence of all Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion on every day on which the consideration of those Rules may be set down by the Government.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, unless the House otherwise order, the House shall meet every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, at Three of the clock, and shall, unless previously adjourned, sit till One of the clock a.m., when the Speaker shall adjourn the House without Question put, unless a Bill originating in Committee of Ways and Means, or unless proceedings made in pursuance of any Act of Parliament or Standing Order, or otherwise exempted from the operation of this Standing Order, be then under consideration:

That at Eight of the clock the Speaker or Chairman, as the case may be, shall suspend the sitting

sitting by leaving the Chair until Nine of the clock. If, after the resumption of business, at Nine of the clock, and before a quarter-past Nine, notice be taken that Forty Members are not present, the Speaker or Chairman shall, unless Forty Members are sooner present, suspend the sitting until a quarter-past Nine, when he shall count the House or Committee.

That at half an hour after midnight on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, except as aforesaid, and at half-past Five of the clock on Wednesdays, the proceedings on any business then under consideration shall be interrupted: and, if the House be in Committee, the Chairman shall leave the Chair, and make his report to the House; and if a Motion has been proposed for the Adjournment of the House, or of the Debate, or in Committee That the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, every such dilatory Motion shall lapse without Question put; and the business then under consideration, and any business subsequently appointed, shall be appointed for the next day on which the House shall sit, unless the Speaker ascertains by the preponderance of voices that a Majority of the House desires that such business should be deferred until a later day:

Provided always, That on the interruption of business the Closure may be moved, and if moved, or if proceedings under the Closure Rule be then in progress, the Speaker or Chairman shall not leave the Chair until the Questions consequent thereon, as provided in the Rule "Closure of Debate," have been decided:

That after the business under consideration at half-past Twelve and half-past Five respectively, has been disposed of, no opposed business shall be taken, and the Orders of the Day not disposed of at the close of the sitting shall stand for the next day on which the House shall sit:

That a Motion may be made by a Minister of the Crown at the commencement of Public Business, to be decided without Amendment or Debate, to the following effect: "That the proceedings on any specified business, if under discussion at half-past Twelve this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order 'Sittings of the House:'"

Provided always, That after any business exempted from the operation of this Resolution is disposed of, the remaining business of the sitting shall be dealt with according to the provisions applicable to business taken after half-past Twelve o'clock;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by inserting, after the words "otherwise order," the words "the Standing Orders relating to Wednesday sittings shall no longer apply to the sittings on Wednesday, but shall apply to the sittings on Friday, and the Standing Orders relating to Fridays shall no longer apply to the sittings on Friday, but shall apply to the sittings on Wednesday, and."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 105.
Yeas, { Mr. Ernest Spencer: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 167.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "at," the words "half-past."

And the Question being put, That the words "half-past" be there inserted;

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The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 100.
Yeas, { Mr. Dillwyn: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 214.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by leaving out the words "One of the clock a.m.," and inserting the words "half-past Eleven of the clock p.m."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 6, by inserting, after the word "exempted," the words "as hereinafter provided."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 7, by leaving out from the word "That" to the word "Committee," in l. 13, both inclusive.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in l. 16, by leaving out from the word "interrupted," to the word "day," in l. 25, inclusive, and inserting the words "And the Question then under consideration shall be put, unless at the times before mentioned a Motion shall be made 'That the Debate be now adjourned,' which Motion shall be decided without Amendment or Debate. If such Motion be resolved in the affirmative, the business under consideration shall stand adjourned until the next day on which the House shall sit. If the Motion be resolved in the negative, the Question under consideration shall be put forthwith."

And the Question being proposed, That the words "and, if the House be in Committee, the Chairman shall leave the Chair, and make his report to the House; and if a Motion has been proposed for the Adjournment of the House, or of the Debate, or in Committee, That the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, every such dilatory Motion shall lapse without Question put; and the business then under consideration, and any business subsequently appointed, shall be appointed for the next day on which the House shall sit" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 23, by leaving out from the word "sit" to the word "day," in l. 25, inclusive.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 29, by inserting after the word "thereon," the words "and on any further Motion."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 31, by leaving out the words "half-past."

And the Question being proposed, That the words "half-past" stand part of the Question:

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And

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 25th February, 1888:

And the Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 35, by leaving out the words "by a Minister of the Crown."

And the Question being proposed, That the words "by a Minister of the Crown" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 38, by leaving out the words "half-past."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 43, by leaving out the words "half-past."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words, "That whenever the House is in Committee at half-past Twelve of the clock a.m., the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means may, at the request of Mr. Speaker, take the Chair as Deputy Speaker, for the purpose of concluding the business of the sitting."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "That the Chairman of Ways and Means do take the Chair as Deputy Speaker when requested so to do by Mr. Speaker without any formal communication to the House. And that Mr. Speaker do nominate, at the commencement of every Session, a panel of not more than Five Members to act as temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Main Question, as amended, by adding at the end thereof the words, "That if, during the first quarter of an hour after the Speaker or Chairman has returned to the Chair, notice be taken that Forty Members are not present, the Speaker or Chairman shall, unless Forty Members are sooner present, suspend the sitting until the termination of the said quarter of an hour, when he shall count the House or the Committee."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Main Question, as amended, being put;

Resolved, That, unless the House otherwise order, the House shall meet every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, at Three of the clock, and shall, unless previously adjourned, sit till One of the clock a.m. when the Speaker shall adjourn the House without Question put, unless a Bill originating in Committee of Ways and Means, or unless proceedings made in pursuance of any Act of Parliament or Standing Order, or otherwise exempted, as hereinafter provided, from the operation of this Standing Order, be then under consideration.

That at midnight on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, except as aforesaid, and at half-past Five of the clock on Wednesdays, the proceedings on any business then under consideration shall be interrupted: and, if the House be in Committee, the Chairman shall leave the Chair, and make his report to the House; and if a Motion has been proposed for the Adjournment of the House, or of the Debate, or in Committee that the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, every such dilatory Motion shall lapse without Question put; and the business then under consideration, and any business subsequently appointed, shall be appointed for the next day on which the House shall sit, unless the Speaker ascertains by the preponderance of voices that a Majority of the House desires that such business should be deferred until a later day.

Provided always, That on the interruption of business the Closure may be moved, and if moved, or if proceedings under the Closure Rule be then in progress, the Speaker or Chairman shall not leave the Chair, until the Questions consequent thereon and on any further Motion, as provided in the Rule "Closure of Debate," have been decided.

That after the business under consideration at Twelve, and half-past Five respectively, has been disposed of, no opposed business shall be taken; and the Orders of the Day not disposed of at the close of the sitting shall stand for the next day on which the House shall sit.

That a Motion may be made by a Minister of the Crown at the commencement of Public Business, to be decided without Amendment or Debate, to the following effect. "That the proceedings on any specified business if under discussion at Twelve this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order 'Sittings of the House.'"

Provided always, That after any business exempted from the operation of this Resolution is disposed of, the remaining business of the sitting shall be dealt with according to the provisions applicable to business taken after Twelve o'clock.

Provided also, That the Chairman of Ways and Means do take the Chair as Deputy Speaker when requested so to do by Mr. Speaker without any formal communication to the House. And that Mr. Speaker do nominate, at the commencement of every Session, a panel of not more than Five Members to act as temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means.

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

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

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on *East India* [Purchase and Construction of Railways].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorize the Secretary of State in Council of *India* to raise in the United Kingdom a Sum not exceeding £. 10,336,048. 16s. 8d. for the purchase of the *Oude* and *Rohilkund* Railway.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and

and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorize the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise in the United Kingdom a Sum not exceeding £. 10,000,000, for the purpose of constructing, extending, and equipping Railways in India through the agency of Companies.

3. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provisions for raising the said sums, and to charge the same on the Revenues of India.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Hares Preservation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

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

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of March next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 27th February, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill.

Harrow and Stanmore Railway Bill.

Milford Docks Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Barnstaple Water Bill.

The *Barnstaple* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Billinghay and Metherringham (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The *Billinghay and Metherringham* (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Brymbo Water Bill.

The *Brymbo* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill.

The *Clifton* Suspension Bridge Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Draycott Gas Bill.

The *Draycott* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

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The *Folkestone* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Folkestone Water Bill.

Ordered, That the *Grand Junction* Water Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Grand Junction Water Bill.

The *Kent* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Kent Water Bill.

The *Limpsfield and Oxted* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Limpsfield and Oxted Water Bill.

The *London, Brighton, and South Coast* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill.

The *London, Tilbury, and Southend* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill.

The *Midland* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Midland Railway Bill.

The *Newhaven* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Newhaven Harbour Bill.

The *South Indian* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Indian Railway Bill.

The *Uxbridge and Rickmansworth* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

The Order made upon the 13th day of this instant February, for referring the Petition for the *Lambeth* Vestry Bill to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, was read, and discharged.

Lambeth Vestry Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Third Report.

Ordered, That the Navy (Appropriation Account), which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant February, be printed.

Navy (Appropriation Account.)
No. 61.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Army Estimates of Effective and Non-Effective Services, for 1888-9.

No. 62.

Copy of Memorandum of the Secretary of Army, State for War, relating to the Army Estimates, 1888-9.

Copy of Statements showing, approximately, Army, the Sums provided in the Army Estimates for 1888-9 for each Arm of the Service, and for various Miscellaneous Establishments.

Copy of the Annual Report by the Inspector Army General of Recruiting, being for 1887.

(Recruiting.)

Statement showing the Amounts included in Army the Army Estimates, 1888-9, for Military Purposes in the Colonies, and in *Egypt*.

(Colonies.)

Statement showing the Variation of the Numbers of Her Majesty's *British* Forces in the Army Estimates for 1888-9.

(Variation of Numbers.)

Copy of Orders in Council relative to the War Department, with Statement of Duties assigned to certain Officers under such Orders.

Army (War Department.)

Copy of Report of a Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for War to consider with him the Plans proposed for the Fortification and Armaments of our Military and Mercantile Ports.

Army (Fortifications.)

Copy of Estimate of Charge for the Ordnance Factories, for the year 1888-9.

Army (Ordnance Factories.)

Ordered, That the Estimates relative to the Army be referred to the Committee of Supply, and

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and be printed; and that the other Papers do lie upon the Table.

Exeter Theatre
(Fire.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Report by Colonel *E. M. Shaw*, C.B., to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, concerning the Fire which occurred at the Theatre Royal, *Exeter*, on 5th September 1887.

Emigration
Statistics (Ireland.)
Committals
(Ireland.)

Copy of Emigration Statistics of *Ireland* for the year 1887.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Returns, from the Clerks of the Crown and the Clerks of the Peace for the several Counties in *Ireland*, of the Number of Persons committed for Trial in the year 1887.

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

Superannua-
tion Act, 1887.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 21st October 1887, granting a Retired Allowance to Mr. *George MacAvoy*, Head Master of the Dockyard School at *Portsmouth*.

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

Soane's
Museum.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House, — Statement of the Funds of the Museum of the late Sir *John Soane* on the 5th January 1888.

Ecclesiastical
Commissioners
(Amounts
Due.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Gross Amounts that became due and payable to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England*, during each of the years 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, and 1887, in respect of Rents, Royalties, Wayleaves, &c., in the County of *Durham*, under the following Heads, viz.: (1) Coal; (2) Ironstone; (3) Fire-clay; (4) Limestone; (5) Freestone; (6) Lead Ore, and other Products of Lead Mines; (7) Wayleave and Watercourse Rents; (8) Instroke, Outstroke, and Shaft Rents (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 47, of Session 2, 1886).

Deaths (Metro-
politan Dis-
trict.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of all Deaths in the Metropolitan District, in the year 1887, upon which a Coroner's Jury have returned a Verdict of Death from Starvation, or Death accelerated by Privation (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 117, of Session 1887).

Trustee
Savings Banks.
No. 63.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, in the following Form, from each Trustee Savings Bank in the United Kingdom, showing the whole of the Transactions which took place in the year ended the 20th day of November 1887, so far as regards Moneys placed in the hands of the Trustees of such Savings Banks for Investment other than with the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, pursuant to the 16th Section of the Act 26 and 27 Vic. c. 87; also showing, at the 20th day of November 1887, the Liability of the Trustees of such Savings Banks to Depositors in respect of Moneys received for Investment pursuant to the said 16th Section of the Act 26 and 27 Vic. c. 87, and the Nature and Amount, in detail, of all Assets, including the Reserve Fund (if any) held to meet the same:—

Return of Transactions pursuant to the 16th Section of the Act 26 & 27 Vic. c. 87, and the Rule of the Savings Bank.

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			Sums Received.		
			£.	s.	d.
Uninvested Balance in hands of the Treasurer at 20th November 1886 - - - - -					
Sums received from Depositors for Investment in the year ended 20th November 1887 - - - - -					
Interest received from Investments in the year ended 20th November 1887 - - - - -					
Sums received for Securities Sold or Paid off in the year ended 20th November 1887, viz.:—					
Amount.	Nature of Security.	Sums Received.			
for £.					
£.					
£.					
£.					
£.					
£.					
Other Receipts (in detail) - - - - -					

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			Sums Paid.		
			£.	s.	d.
Sums paid to Depositors in respect of Investments in year ended 20th November 1887 - - - - -					
Sums paid to Depositors for Interest on Investments in year ended 20th November 1887 - - - - -					
Sums paid for Management - - - - -					
Sums paid for Commission on Purchases and Sales of Securities, year ended 20th November 1887 - - - - -					
Sums paid for Securities bought in the year ended 20th November 1887, viz.:—					
Amount.	Nature of Security.	Sums Paid.			
for £.					
£.					
£.					
£.					
£.					
£.					
Uninvested Balance in the hands of the Treasurer at the 20th November 1887 - - - - -			£.		

Liability to Depositors at the 20th day of November 1887, in respect of Moneys received for Investment pursuant to the 16th Section of the Act 26 & 27 Vic. c. 87 - - - - - £.

Nature and Amount, in detail, of all Assets, including the Reserve Fund (if any) held to meet above Liability to Depositors, pursuant to the 16th Section of the Act 26 & 27 Vic. c. 87:—

Nature of Assets.	Amount of Assets.
	£.
	£.
	£.
	£.
Uninvested Balance in Treasurer's Hands - - - - -	£.
	£.

We do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Account
Witness our hands this day of 188 .

Two Trustees (or) Two Managers
(or) a Trustee and a Manager of
the said Savings Bank. Witness Secretary
or
Actuary.

in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 189, of Session 1887).

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Queen's Speech
(Answer to
Address.)

The Comptroller of the Household reported to the House, That Her Majesty, having been attended with their Address of the 23rd day of this instant February, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received with much satisfaction your loyal and dutiful Address.

I rely with confidence on your assurance that you will give careful consideration to the Measures that will be submitted to you; and I trust that the result of your deliberations will be effectual in promoting prosperity and concord amongst all classes of My People.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works (Answer
to Address.)

The Comptroller of the Household also reported to the House, That their Address of the 16th day of this instant February, relative to the Metropolitan Board of Works had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that a Royal Commission may be issued to inquire and report upon the working of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and into the irregularities which are alleged to have taken place in connection therewith, and assuring Me that you will concur in empowering such Commission to take Evidence on Oath, to compel Attendance of Witnesses, to grant Certificates of Indemnity to Witnesses in such cases as may be desirable and proper, and to call for all necessary records and documents. And I have given directions that a Commission shall issue for the purposes which you request, and that a Bill shall be submitted to Parliament for conferring on such Commission the powers recommended by you as expedient for the purposes of the Inquiry.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 13,000 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for Grants for Ordinary Literary School Buildings.

2. £. 12,000 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for Expenses preparatory to and of the Erection of the Museum of Science and Art National Library, and of the School of Art and Lecture Theatre in Dublin.

3. £. 1,100 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Expenses in connection with the Maintenance of Lighthouses in the Bahamas.

4. £. 1 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for meeting the Deficiency of Income from Fees, &c., for the Requirements of the Board of Trade, under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883."

5. £. 481 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain Expenses connected with Emigration.

6. £. 2,277 (Supplementary Sum), year ending—
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ng on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Endowed Schools Commission.

7. £. 7,100 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Loss on Withdrawal of Foreign Bronze Coin from Circulation in the United Kingdom.

8. £. 38,073 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

9. £. 7,300 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Expenses connected with the Police in Counties and Boroughs in England and Wales.

10. £. 1,963 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in Scotland, and other Legal Charges.

11. £. 400 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Expenses connected with the Police in Scotland.

12. Motion made, and Question put, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 6,550, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers, and of Magistrates in Ireland, and of the Revising Barristers;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 195.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Dillon, } 124.
Noes, { Mr. Hoyle: }

13. £. 676 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery.

Resolutions to be reported.

And it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

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

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on East India [Purchase and Construction of Railways], several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:—

1. That it is expedient to authorise the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise in the United Kingdom a Sum not exceeding £. 10,336,048 16 s. 8 d. for the purchase of the Oude and Rohilkund Railway.

2. That it is expedient to authorise the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise in the United Kingdom a Sum not exceeding £. 10,000,000, for the purpose of constructing, extending, and equipping Railways in India through the agency of Companies.

3. That it is expedient to make provisions for raising the said Sums, and to charge the same on the Revenues of India.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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Ordered,

East India
(Purchase and
Construction of
Railways.)

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Sir John Gorst and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

**Criminal
Evidence Bill.**

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

**Parliamentary
Under
Secretary to
the Lord
Lieutenant of
Ireland
[Salary, &c.]**

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant February, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair [for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland] [Salary, &c.]; *Ordered*, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

**Companies'
Acts Consolida-
tion and
Amendment.**

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of amending the Companies' Acts Consolidation and Amendment Acts:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Companies' Acts.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Courtney accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Companies' Acts:—And he moved the House accordingly.

**Companies'
Acts Consolida-
tion and
Amendment.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. James Maclean, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Mowbray, and Mr. Lees do prepare, and bring it in.

**Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Liability of Employers for Injuries to their Workmen: And that Mr. Secretary Matthews, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Forwood, and Mr. Stuart-Wortley do prepare, and bring it in.

**Sunday Closing
Acts (Ireland.)**

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Operation of the Sunday Closing Acts (Ireland).

**Metalliferous
Mines.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend "The Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887," to the Iron Ore Mines of Cumberland and Lancashire: And that Mr. Cuningham Graham, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Bradlaugh, Mr. Stanhope, Mr. Angus Sutherland, Mr. Arthur O'Connor, and Mr. Burt do prepare, and bring it in.

**Land Law
(Ireland) Act
(1887)
Amendment
(Arrears of
Rent.)**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," with respect to Arrears of Rent: And that Mr. T. W. Russell, Mr. Lea, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Jesse Collings, Mr. Hobhouse, and Mr. Sinclair do prepare, and bring it in.

**Sheriff Courts
(Scotland)
Extracts.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to simplify the Forms of Extracts of Decrees in the Sheriff Courts of Scotland: And that Mr. Caldwell, Sir Archibald Orr-Ewing, Sir Archibald Campbell, Mr. Edmund Robertson, Mr. Mackintosh, Mr. Anstruther, and Mr. Cuningham Graham do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir John Gorst presented a Bill to empower the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise Money in the United Kingdom for the Purchase of the Oude and Rohilkund Railway, and for the Construction, Extension, and Equipment of Railways in India, through the Agency of Companies, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. James Maclean presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Companies' Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Liability of Employers for Injuries to their Workmen: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 26th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Cuningham Graham presented a Bill to extend "The Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887," to the Iron Ore Mines of Cumberland and Lancashire: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. T. W. Russell presented a Bill to amend "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," with respect to Arrears of Rent: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Caldwell presented a Bill to simplify the Forms of Extracts of Decrees in the Sheriff Courts of Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of March next; and to be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 28th February, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SIR John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, in the case of the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that Clauses 11 to 51 inclusive be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

2. That, in the case of the Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided

provided that Clauses 15 and 37 be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

United States and South American Investment Trust Company (Limited.)

3. That, in the case of the United States and South American Investment Trust Company (Limited), Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for a Bill.

London Street Tramways.

4. That, in the case of the London Street Tramways Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that the power to construct Tramways Nos. 1, 1 A, 4, 5, and 6 be struck out of the Bill; that the committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill [Lords.]

5. That, in the case of the Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that the power to construct and maintain Tramways Nos. 10, 10 A, and 10 B, and Street Improvements numbered 3, 4, 5, and 6, in Clause 6 of the Bill, being the Street Improvements proposed to be made in connection with the said Tramways No. 10, 10 A, and 10 B be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill [Lords.]

6. That, in the case of the Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that notices of the objects of the Bill be published in three successive weeks in two newspapers of the Town of Brighton; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Alabama Great Southern Railway Company (Limited.)

7. That, in the case of the Alabama Great Southern Railway Company (Limited), Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for a Bill.

Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill [Lords.]

8. That, in the case of the Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Selection.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers.)

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Eastern and Midlands Railway Company to abandon certain authorised Railways and Works; to make new Tramways, Railways, and other Works, and for other purposes: And that Lord Henry Bentinck and Sir John Puleston do prepare, and bring it in.

London Street Tramways.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the London Street Tramways Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the London Street Tramways Company to construct additional Tramways, and for

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other purposes: And that Mr. Bartley and Mr. Atherley-Jones do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Bristol Water Bill.
Cork and Bandon Railway Bill.
Rhymney Railway Bill.
Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill.
Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The West Surrey Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Brixton Park Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Aird, } 104.
 { General Goldsworthy: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Dixon-Hartland, } 188.
 { Mr. Labouchere: }

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

The Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Army (Colonies), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 67.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Army (Variation of Numbers), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 64.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Army, which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 65.

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Ordered,

Army
(Ordnance
Factories.)
No. 66.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Army (Ordnance Factories), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant February, be printed.

Treasury Chest.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account showing all the Sums which have been received into the Treasury Chest, and which have been paid out of the same, between the 1st April 1886 and the 31st March 1887, and of the Liabilities and Assets of the Treasury Chest on the latter day; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Militia Act,
1882.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Descriptions of Qualifications lodged with the Clerks of the Peace or Clerks of Lieutenancy in *Ireland* by Deputy Lieutenants, during the year 1887, and furnished to the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

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

Aliens and
Foreign Com-
panies (United
States) (Com-
mercial, No. 4,
1888.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports respecting the Status of Aliens and Foreign Companies in the United States (in continuation of Commercial, No. 17, 1887).

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

Piers and
Harbours
(Provisional
Orders.)

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their proceedings under "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861," and "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, Amendment Act."

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

Court of
Bankruptcy
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Cases in the *Irish* Court of Bankruptcy, in the following Form:—

	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.
1. Number of Adjudications.								
2. Total Amount of Liabilities scheduled.	Secured.							
	Partly secured.							
	Unsecured.							
3. Total Amount of Assets scheduled.								
4. Total Amount of Assets realised.								
5. Total Amount of Costs or Legal Charges.								
6. Allowance paid to Official Assignees.								
7. Total Amount paid to unsecured Creditors (Non-preferential).								
8. Average per cent. of Assets to Liabilities unsecured.								
9. Average per cent. of Composition to Assets scheduled.								
10. Average per cent. of Costs and Charges of all kinds to Assets realised.								
11. Average time of Realisation.								
12. Average time of Final Distribution from Date of Adjudication.								
13. Total Number of Cases now pending and not included in Columns 4 to 12, both inclusive.								
14. Total Amount of Unclaimed Dividends.								
15. Total Amount of all unclaimed Dividends transferred to National Fund from the first to present date.								

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter relating to the Imprisonment of Mr. *Flynn*, a Member of this House:

Limerick, Ireland,
28th February 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that on yesterday, the 25th instant, at *Kanturk*, County *Cork*, *James C. Flynn*, Esq., Member of Parliament for the North Division of the County of *Cork*, was convicted of an offence against the 2nd Section, Sub-section 1, of the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, and sentenced by a Court of Summary Jurisdiction, constituted under the said Act, to be imprisoned in Her Majesty's Male Prison at *Cork* for the period of twenty-one days, without hard labour.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. B. Irwin,

Resident Magistrate,
and Chairman of the said Court.

To the Right Honourable The Speaker
of the House of Commons, *London*.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Questions for the Closure of Debate under Standing Order XIV A. shall be decided in the Affirmative, if, when a Division be taken, it appears by the numbers declared from the Chair that not less than One Hundred Members voted in the Majority in support of the Motion;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof, the words, "Provided always, that should the Question for the Closure of Debate be decided in the Negative, no similar Motion shall be made on the same Question until after the time of two hours has elapsed."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 256.
Colonel *Walrond*;

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Chaplin*, } 134.
Mr. *Osborne Morgan*;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That Questions for the Closure of Debate under Standing Order XIV A. shall be decided in the Affirmative, if, when a Division be taken, it appears by the numbers declared from the Chair that not less than One Hundred Members voted in the Majority in support of the Motion.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman do order Members, whose conduct is grossly disorderly, to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of that day's sitting; and that the Serjeant-at-Arms do act on such orders as he may receive from the Chair, in pursuance of this Resolution. But if, on any occasion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman deems that his powers under this Standing Order are inadequate, he may name such Member or Members in pursuance of the Standing Order (Order in Debate), or he may call upon the House to adjudge upon the conduct of such Member or Members.

Provided always, That Members who are ordered to withdraw under this Standing Order, or who are suspended from the service of the House under the Standing Order (Order in Debate), shall forthwith withdraw from the precincts of the House, subject, however, in the case of

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Im-
prisonment of
Mr. *James C.*
Flynn.)

Business of the
House (Rules
of Procedure.)
II.—Closure of
Debate.

III.—Dis-
orderly Con-
duct.

of such suspended Members, to the proviso in that Standing Order regarding their service on Private Bill Committees.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 8, by leaving out from the words "(Order in Debate)," to the end of the Question.

And the Question being put, That the words "or he may call upon the House to adjudge upon the conduct of such Member or Members."

Provided always, That Members who are ordered to withdraw under this Standing Order, or who are suspended from the Service of the House under the Standing Order (Order in Debate), shall, stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 135.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Sir Lyon Playfair, } 85.
Noes, { Mr. Whitbread:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 12, by inserting after the word "shall," the words "if Mr. Speaker or the Chairman so direct."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Whitbread, } 89.
Yeas, { Mr. Heneage:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 117.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 13, by leaving out from the word "House," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "and shall, *ipso facto*, be exempted for the same period from service on Committees."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers Douglas, } 134.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 74.
Noes, { Mr. Gourley:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman do order Members whose conduct is grossly disorderly to withdraw immediately from the House, during the remainder of that day's sitting; and that the Serjeant-at-Arms do act on such orders as he may receive from the Chair, in pursuance of this Resolution. But if, on any occasion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman deems that his powers under this Standing Order are inadequate, he may name such Member or Members in pursuance of the Standing Order (Order in Debate), or he may call upon the House to adjudge upon the conduct of such Member or Members.

Provided always, That Members who are ordered to withdraw under this Standing Order, or who are suspended from the Service of the House under the Standing Order (Order in Debate), shall forthwith withdraw from the precincts of the House, subject, however, in the case of such suspended Members, to the proviso in that Standing Order regarding their service on Private Bill Committees.

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A Motion was made, and Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman, after having called the attention of the House or of the Committee to the conduct of a Member who persists in irrelevance or tedious repetition either of his own arguments, or of the arguments used by other Members in Debate, may direct him to discontinue his Speech;

IV.—Irrelevance or Repetition.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "if it shall appear to Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of Committees, that a Member is addressing the House with continued irrelevance, or tedious repetition, or that he is unduly and unnecessarily prolonging Debate and arresting the Progress of Public Business, Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of Committees, may so inform the House or the Committee."

"Thereupon any Member, rising in his place, may claim to move, That the Member in possession of the House be no longer heard."

"Such Motion shall be put forthwith without Amendment or Debate, unless the Member in possession of the House elects to discontinue his Speech, in which case he may so inform the Speaker, or Chairman of Committees, and the Question shall not be put."

"A Member who is put to silence under this Rule by order of the House or the Committee is thereby prevented, on the first occasion, from taking part in any Debate during the remainder of that sitting; on the second occasion during a week; and on the third, or any subsequent occasion, during a month from the time when such Order of the House, or of the Committee has been made."

And the Question being put, That the words "That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman, after having called the attention of the House or of the Committee to the conduct of a Member who persists in irrelevance or tedious repetition," stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "either."

And the Question being put, That the word "either" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 170.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 94.
Noes, { Mr. Warrington:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman, after having called the attention of the House or of the Committee to the conduct of a Member who persists in irrelevance or tedious repetition either of his own arguments, or of the arguments used by other Members in Debate, may direct him to discontinue his Speech.

A Motion was made and the Question being proposed, That, if Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of a Committee of the whole House, shall be of opinion that a Motion for the adjournment of a Debate, or of the House, during any Debate, or that the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, is an abuse of the Rules of the House, he may forthwith put the Question thereupon from the Chair, or he may decline to propose the Question thereupon to the House;

V.—Motions for Adjournment in Abuse of the Rules of the House.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 6, by leaving out from the word "Chair," to the end of the Question.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed

proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 214.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Cremer, } 112.
Mr. James Rowlands:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That, if Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of a Committee of the whole House, shall be of opinion that a Motion for the Adjournment of a Debate, or of the House, during any Debate, or that the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, is an abuse of the Rules of the House, he may forthwith put the Question thereupon from the Chair, or he may decline to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

VI.—Government Business. *Resolved*, That, on days on which Government business has priority, the Government may arrange such Government business, whether Orders of the Day or Notices of Motions, in such order as they may think fit.

VII.—Committees of the whole House. *Resolved*, That whenever an Order of the Day is read for the House to resolve itself into Committee (not being a Committee to consider a Message from the Crown, or the Committee of Supply, or of Ways and Means), Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair without putting any Question, and the House shall thereupon resolve itself into such Committee, unless Notice of an Instruction thereto has been given, when such Instruction shall be first disposed of.

VIII.—Amendments on Report. *Resolved*, That upon the Report stage of any Bill no Amendment may be proposed, which could not have been proposed in Committee without an Instruction from the House.

IX.—Divisions. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, at his discretion, take the Vote of the House or Committee, by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge his decision, successively to rise in their places; and he shall thereupon, as he thinks fit, either declare the determination of the House or Committee, or name Tellers for a Division;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it be in the discretion of Mr. Speaker or the Chairman to take the Vote of the House in the following manner:—He shall, on his decision being challenged, forthwith order the doors to be closed, whereupon he shall call upon the Members who support and who challenge his decision successively to rise in their places, and he shall proceed to count them one by one in an audible voice. At the conclusion of such count he shall declare the determination of the House or Committee."

And the Question being proposed, That the words "Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, at his discretion, take the Vote of the House or Committee by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge, his decision, successively to rise in their places; and," stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

East India
(Telegraph
Department.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Despatch to the Government of India, dated the 25th day of August 1887, on the subject of the Reorganisation of the Indian Telegraph Department.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to limit the Duration of Speeches in Parliament: And that Mr. Atkinson, Sir John Kennaway, Mr. Maclure, and Mr. Howard Vincent do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Master Mariners, Marine Engineers serving afloat, Seamen and Fishermen to vote at Parliamentary Elections by Papers, in a similar manner to that in which Members of Universities vote at present: And that Mr. Atkinson, Sir George Baden-Powell, Sir Edward Birkbeck, Mr. Brookfield, Marquess of Carmarthen, Sir James Corry, Sir Donald Currie, Colonel Duncan, Mr. Donkin, Sir Robert Fowler, Mr. Grotrian, Mr. Gourley, Mr. Heneage, Mr. King, Sir Charles Palmer, Sir John Puleston, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Thomas Sutherland, Mr. Whitley, Sir Samuel Wilson, and Mr. Cavendish Bentinck do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Distribution of the Estates of such Intestates as shall die leaving a Widow, but no Issue: And that Mr. Ambrose, Mr. Howard, and Mr. Addison do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 20th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 2nd day of March next.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [27th February.] several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 13,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for Grants for Ordinary Literary School Buildings.

2. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 12,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for Expenses preparatory to, and of the Erection of, the Museum of Science and Art National Library, and of the School of Art and Lecture Theatre in Dublin.

3. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 1,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Expenses in connection with the Maintenance of Lighthouses in the Bahamas.

4. That

Deficiency of
Income from
Fees, Board of
Trade (Bank-
ruptcy Act)
(Supple-
mentary.)

Colonial Office
(Supple-
mentary.)

Endowed
Schools Com-
mission
(Supplemen-
tary.)

Foreign Bronze
Coin (Sup-
plementary.)

County Courts
(Supplemen-
tary.)

Police in
Counties and
Boroughs
(England and
Wales (Sup-
plementary.)

Courts of Law
and Justice
(Scotland)
(Supplemen-
tary.)

Police
(Scotland)
(Supplemen-
tary.)

County Court
Officers, &c.
(Ireland)
(Supplemen-
tary.)

National
Gallery
(Supplemen-
tary.)

Speeches in
Parliament
Bill.

Bill 149.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Seamen's
Votes) Bill.
Bill 150.

4. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 1, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for meeting the Deficiency of Income from Fees, &c. for the requirements of the Board of Trade, under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883."

5. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 481, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain Expenses connected with Emigration.

6. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 2,277, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Endowed Schools Commission.

7. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 7,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the loss on withdrawal of Foreign Bronze Coin from circulation in the United Kingdom.

8. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 38,073, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

9. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 7,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Expenses connected with the Police in Counties and Boroughs in *England and Wales*.

10. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 1,963, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in *Scotland*, and other Legal Charges.

11. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Expenses connected with the Police in *Scotland*.

12. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 6,550, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers, and of Magistrates in *Ireland*, and of the Revising Barristers.

13. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 676, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Atkinson presented a Bill to limit the Duration of Speeches in Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Atkinson presented a Bill to enable Master Mariners, Engineers serving Afloat, Seamen, and Fishermen, to vote at Parliamentary Elec-
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tions by Papers in a similar manner to that in which Members of Universities vote at present: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Ambrose presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Distribution of the Estates of such Intestates as shall die leaving a Widow, but no Issue: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

And it being Midnight, the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 29th February, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of March next.

A Bill to authorise the London Street Tramways Company to construct additional Tramways, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order made upon the 20th day of this instant February, That the City of London (Fire Inquests) Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Nine Members, Five to be nominated by the House, and Four by the Committee of Selection.

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

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to divide the District of the Local Board of Health of Tottenham, in the County of Middlesex, and for other purposes: And that Sir John Puleston and Viscount Folkestone do prepare, and bring it in.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Treasury Chest, which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 68.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant February, be printed. No. 69.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of this instant February,

Intestates
Estates Bill.
Bill 151.

Brecon and
Merthyr
Railway Bill.

Newport
(Monmouth-
shire) Corpora-
tion Water
Bill.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works (Thea-
tres, &c.) Bill.

London Street
Tramways Bill.

City of London
(Fire Inquests)
Bill.

Tottenham
Local Board
(Division of
District.)

Public
Petitions.

Vide Fourth
Report.

Treasury
Chest.

Piers and
Harbours
(Provisional
Orders.)

Lighthouse
Illuminants.

February, for a Return relative to Lighthouse Illuminants.

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

Parochial
Boards (Scot-
land) Bill.

Ordered, That the Parochial Boards (Scotland) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of April next.

Business of
the House
(Rules of
Procedure.)
IX.—Divi-
sions.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 28th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, at his discretion, take the Vote of the House or Committee by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge his decision, successively to rise in their places; and he shall thereupon, as he thinks fit, either declare the determination of the House or Committee, or name Tellers for a Division;

And which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it be in the discretion of Mr. Speaker or Chairman to take the Vote of the House in the following manner:—He shall, on his decision being challenged, forthwith order the doors to be closed, whereupon he shall call upon the Members who support and who challenge his decision successively to rise in their places, and he shall proceed to count them one by one in an audible voice. At the conclusion of such count he shall declare the determination of the House or Committee";

And the Question being again proposed, That the words "Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, at his discretion, take the Vote of the House or Committee by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge his decision, successively to rise in their places; and," stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting, after the word "may," the words "after the lapse of two minutes as indicated by the sand-glass."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out the words, "at his discretion," and inserting the words "if in his opinion the Division is frivolously or vexatiously claimed," instead thereof.

And the Question being put that the words "at his discretion" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "if in his opinion the Division is frivolously or vexatiously claimed" be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Main Question, as amended, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "And, in case there is no Division, the Speaker or Chairman shall declare to the House, or the Committee, the number of the Minority who had challenged his decision, and their names shall be thereupon taken down in the House, and printed with the lists of Divisions."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, as amended, being put;

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 236.
Colonel Walrond :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Dillon, } 93.
Mr. Fenwick :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, after the lapse of two minutes as indicated by the sand-glass, if in his opinion the Division is frivolously or vexatiously claimed, take the Vote of the House or Committee, by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge his decision, successively to rise in their places; and he shall thereupon, as he thinks fit, either declare the determination of the House or Committee, or name Tellers for a Division. And, in case there is no Division, the Speaker or Chairman shall declare to the House, or the Committee, the number of the Minority who had challenged his decision, and their names shall be thereupon taken down in the House, and printed with the lists of Divisions.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the stages of Committee and Report on the Address to Her Majesty to convey the thanks of the House for Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, at the opening of the Session, be discontinued;

X.—Address
in Answer to
the Queen's
Speech.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words, "the Address to Her Majesty be restricted to a Motion conveying the thanks of the House for Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech, and promising the careful attention of the House to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to their consideration, and such Motion shall be put without Amendment not later than the third day of the Debate thereon, unless the House shall otherwise order."

And the Question being proposed, That the words to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That the stages of Committee and Report on the Address to Her Majesty to convey the thanks of the House for Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, at the opening of the Session, be discontinued.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That after Whitsuntide, Public Bills

XI.—Public
Bills.

other than Government Bills, be arranged on the Order Book so as to give priority to the Bills most advanced, and that Lords' Amendments to Public Bills appointed to be considered, be placed first, to be followed by Third Readings, Considerations of Report, Bills in Progress in Committee, Bills appointed for Committee, and Second Readings;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, after the first word "That," by inserting the words "all Public Bills (other than Government Bills) introduced on or before the first Monday of the Session shall be set down in the Order Book for Second Reading in a list to be called 'The Second Reading List for Wednesdays up to Whitsuntide,' in an order to be determined by the number of signatures which shall have been subscribed to each such Bill at the close of the Sitting on the following Tuesday, each Member being entitled to subscribe his own name to three such Bills and no more; those Bills which have received most signatures being placed first, and the priority in the case of Bills which have received an equal number of signatures, being determined

"determined by lot, in a manner to be prescribed by Mr. Speaker; and that."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That after Whitsuntide, Public Bills other than Government Bills be arranged on the Order Book so as to give priority to the Bills most advanced, and that Lords' Amendments to Public Bills appointed to be considered, be placed first, to be followed by Third Readings, Considerations of Report, Bills in Progress in Committee, Bills appointed for Committee, and Second Readings.

XII.—Bills relating to Religion and Trade.

XIII.—Standing Committees.

Resolved, That the Standing Order of the 9th and 30th of April 1772, concerning Bills relating to Religion and Trade, be repealed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Resolutions of the House of the 1st December 1882, relating to the Constitution and Proceedings of Standing Committees for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, and to Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures, be revived.

Provided always, That the Committees shall consist of not more than Sixty nor less than Forty Members, subject to the Power of addition to the said Committees by the Committee of Selection, as provided by the said Resolutions;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by inserting, after the word "Shipping," the word "Agriculture."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "Agriculture" be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday next.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

Theatres (Metropolis) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

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

Borough Funds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of March next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill;

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

Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.

The Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 9th day of March next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Public Houses, Second Reading of the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Rates Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant February, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and declare the Law relating to Fishing in Rivers; And that Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Arnold Morley, and Mr. Coleridge do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to render unnecessary the Attendance of Registrars at Nonconformist Marriages: And that Mr. Atkinson, Captain Colomb, Sir John Simon, Mr. Grotrian, Sir Richard Temple, Mr. Gourley, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. William Abraham (Glamorgan), Mr. Thomas, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Ambrose, Mr. Aird, Mr. J. M. Maclean, Mr. Howard Vincent, and Mr. Sinclair do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Factory and Workshops Act, 1878": And that Sir George Trevelyan, Mr. Campbell-Bannerman, Dr. Cameron, and Mr. Baird do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Town Holdings do consist of Twenty-five Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Lewis Fry, Mr. Arthur Acland, Mr. Amherst, Mr. Robert Reid, Mr. Bartley, Mr. Baumann, Mr. Beadel, Mr. Biggar, Mr. Conybeare, Sir John Ellis, Mr. Thomas Ellis, Mr. Elton, Viscount Folkestone, Dr. Fox, Mr. Heath, Sir Henry James, Mr. Knowles, Mr. Compton Lawrance, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Madden, Mr. Marriott, Mr. James Rowlands, Mr. Channing, Viscount Wolmer, and Colonel Nolan; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Mr. Broadhurst presented a Bill to amend and declare the Law relating to Fishing in Rivers: And the same was read the first time; and *ordered* to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of March next; and to be printed.

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Nonconformist
Marriages
(Attendance
of Registrars)
Bill.

Bill 153.

Mr. *Atkinson* presented a Bill to render unnecessary the Attendance of Registrars at Nonconformist Marriages: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Factory and
Workshops
Act (1878)
Amendment
Bill.

Bill 154.

Sir *George Trevelyan* presented a Bill to amend "The Factory and Workshops Act, 1878": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Tomorrow.

Thursday, 1st March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Standing
Orders and
Selection.

ORDERED, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders and the Committee of Selection have leave to sit during this Session notwithstanding the sitting of the House.

Tottenham
Local Board
(Division of
District) Bill.

A Bill to divide the District of the Local Board of Health of *Tottenham*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Eastern and
Midlands Rail-
way (Further
Powers) Bill.

A Bill to enable the Eastern and Midlands Railway Company to abandon certain authorised Railways and Works, to make new Tramways, Railways, and other Works, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public
Petitions
(Third Report.)

Sir *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 27th, and 28th days of February last, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 62 com-
plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 63 not
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has not been complied with, viz.:

Keswick Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

London,
Brighton, and
South Coast
Railway
(Petition for
additional
Provision.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Fourth
Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Light-house Illuminants, which was presented upon the 29th day of February last, be printed.

Lighthouse
Illuminants.
No. 70.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of further Correspondence relative to *North American Fisheries*, 1887-8, with Despatch enclosing Treaty signed at *Washington* on the 15th February 1888 (in continuation of United States, No. 2, 1887, C. 4995).

United States
(No. 1, 1888.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 262 and 264.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Copy of Report on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 84.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

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

Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Navy Estimates for the Year 1888-89, with Statement by the Financial Secretary, descriptive of the re-arrangement of the Votes, and Explanation of Differences.

No. 71.

Copy of Statement of the First Lord of the Admiralty explanatory of the Navy Estimates 1888-89, and of the Policy embodied therein.

Navy
(Statement
Explanatory of
Estimates.)

Ordered, That the Navy Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the Paper relative to Navy (Statement Explanatory of Estimates), do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return describing the Position and stating the Capacity (greatest Weight capable of being Melted) of every Steel Melting Furnace in the Royal Arsenal, *Woolwich*, stating Dates and Circumstances under which each Furnace in the Royal Arsenal, *Woolwich*, was built, the Votes under which the Money appears in the Estimates, and the Total Approximate Cost of each Furnace and its Appurtenances, giving a List of every Hammer used for forging Steel, specifying in which Department each Hammer is, and whether it is in Work or in course of Construction.

Woolwich
Arsenal (Steel
Manufacture.)

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

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return for the year 1887-88, under the Prevention of Crime (*Ireland*) Act, 1882, of the Sums collected in respect of Compensations awarded under Section 19 of that Act, the Districts off which the said Amounts were levied, and the manner in which the same have been disposed of.

Prevention of
Crime
(Ireland) Act,
1882 (Charges.)

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifth Report of the Educational Endowments (*Scotland*) Commission, with Evidence and Appendix.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland)
Commission.

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

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on the *Billinghay* and *Metheringham* (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill, and the Objects thereof.

Railways
Abandonment.

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

Ordered,

Journal.

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index to the 143rd Volume, be printed.

Ordered, That 750 Copies of the said Journal and Index be printed by the Appointment and under the direction of *Reginald Francis Douce Palgrave*, Esquire, C.B., the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such Person as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker, and that no other Person do presume to print the same.

Business of the House (Public Meetings, Metropolis.)

Ordered, That the Orders of the day subsequent to Supply be postponed until after the Notice of Motion relating to Public Meetings in the Metropolis.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 130 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the University of London.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 6,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Expenses of Special Missions Abroad:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 2,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Expenses of Special Missions Abroad;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { *Mr. Labouchere*,
Yeas, { *Mr. Thomas O'Connor* : } 68.

Tellers for the { *Mr. Akers-Douglas*,
Noes, { *Colonel Watrond* : } 314.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 18,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, in aid of Colonial Local Revenue, and for the Salaries and Allowances of Governors, &c., and for other Charges connected with the Colonies, including Expenses incurred under "The Pacific Islanders Protection Act, 1875":

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a reduced Sum, not exceeding £. 300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, in aid of Colonial Local Revenue, and for the Salaries and Allowances of Governors, &c., and for other Charges connected with the Colonies, including Expenses incurred under "The Pacific Islanders Protection Act, 1875"—put, and agreed to.

4. £. 7,500 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Incidental Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 6,240, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Miscellaneous Expenses:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a reduced Sum, not exceeding £. 582, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the

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year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Miscellaneous Expenses;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { *Mr. Labouchere*,
Yeas, { *Mr. Picton* : } 151.

Tellers for the { *Mr. Akers-Douglas*,
Noes, { *Colonel Watrond* : } 238.

Original Question put, and agreed to.
Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, having regard to the importance of preserving and protecting the right of open air public meetings for Her Majesty's subjects in the Metropolis, and with a view to prevent ill-will and disorder, it is desirable that an inquiry should be instituted by a Committee of this House into the conditions subject to which such meetings may be held, and the limits of the right of interference therewith by the Executive Government:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Friday, 2nd March, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of February last, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Herring Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill; Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill; Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Hares Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill; Hares Preservation Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Law Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Arrears of Rent) Bill; Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Arrears of Rent) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Theatres
(Metropolis)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Trawling
(Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit Trawling in Scotland, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Hunter, Mr. Macdonald Cameron, Mr. Barclay, and Mr. Esslemont do prepare, and bring it in.

Trawling
(Scotland) Bill.
Bill 155.

Mr. Hunter accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit Trawling in Scotland, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Liquor Traffic
Local Veto
(Wales) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 9th day of this instant March.

Mountains,
Rivers, and
Pathways
(Wales) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 9th day of this instant March.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 2nd March, 1888.

The House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 62 com-
plied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

London, Camberwell, and Dulwich Tramways Bill.

South Eastern Railway Bill.

South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways (Arbitration) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

South Eastern
Metropolitan
(Lewisham,
Greenwich,
and District)
Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the South Eastern Metropolitan (Lewisham, Greenwich, and District) Tramways Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of this instant March.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth
Report.

Railways
Abandonment

Ordered, That the Report by the Board of Trade, pursuant to Standing Order 158A., on the Billingham and Metheringham (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill, which was presented on the 1st day of this instant March, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Civil Services
and Revenue
Departments,
1888-9.
No. 72.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for Civil Services and Revenue Departments, for the year ending 31st March 1889.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the Liquor Traffic in the North Sea. *Ordered*, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final Report of Departmental Commission on Agricultural and Dairy Schools, 1888.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the Home Secretary, under the Prisons Act, 1877, constituting the Visiting Committee of Bodmin and Strangeways Prisons.

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

Sir John Gorst presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 28th day of February last, for a Return relative to East India (Telegraph Department).

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

Ordered, That the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 23rd day of this instant March.

Ordered, That the Standing Order No. 20, appointing the Committee of Supply to be first Order on Fridays, be read, and suspended for this day, and that the Committee of Supply be deferred until after the Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on Public Meetings in the Metropolis.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant March, That, having regard to the importance of preserving and protecting the right of open air public meetings for Her Majesty's subjects in the Metropolis, and with a view to prevent ill-will and disorder, it is desirable that an inquiry should be instituted by a Committee of this House into the conditions subject to which such meetings may be held, and the limits of the rights of interference therewith by the Executive Government;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And that, in the opinion of this House, it would ensure much greater confidence in the administration of the Law if a full and public inquiry were granted into the alleged unlawful assembly in Trafalgar Square on Sunday, November 13th, 1887, and the conduct of the Police in connection therewith."

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

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put accordingly, That the Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That those words be there added;
The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the { Mr. Bradlaugh,
Yeas, { Mr. Hunter: } 207.
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas,
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } 322.
So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 3rd March, 1888:

Mr. William Henry Smith claimed, "That the Main Question be now put."

And the Main Question being put accordingly;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Arnold Morley,
Yeas, { Mr. Cyril Flower: } 224.
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas,
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } 316.
So it passed in the Negative.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [1st March.] Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

University of London. 1. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 130, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Expenses of the University of London.

Special Missions Abroad. 2. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 6,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Expenses of Special Missions Abroad.

Colonies (Grants in Aid.) 3. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, in Aid of Colonial Local Revenue, and for the Salaries and Allowances of Governors, &c., and for other Charges connected with the Colonies, including Expenses incurred under "The Pacific Islanders Protection Act, 1875."

Temporary Commissions. 4. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 7,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for the Salaries and Incidental Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries.

Miscellaneous Expenses. 5. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 6,240, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1888, for certain Miscellaneous Expenses.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors Second Reading of the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hares Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Elections Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Theatres Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the position of the Pilotage System of the United Kingdom.

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

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill, was read, and discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 15th day of this instant March.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 5th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Aberdeen District Tramways Bill.

Bristol Port Railway and Pier Bill.

London Street Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London Tramways (Various Powers).

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Courtney reported the Billingham and Metheringham (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill, with Amendments.

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

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South Indian Railway Bill. Mr. Courtney reported the *South Indian Railway Bill*, with Amendments.

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

Columbia Market and Railways Bill. Mr. Courtney reported the *Columbia Market and Railways Bill*, with Amendments.

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

Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill. The *Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Bristol Water Bill. Ordered, That the *Bristol Water Bill* be read a second time To-morrow.

Cork and Bandon Railway Bill. Ordered, That the *Cork and Bandon Railway Bill* be read a second time upon Monday next.

Harrow and Stanmore Railway Bill. The *Harrow and Stanmore Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Milford Docks Bill. The *Milford Docks Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Rhymney Railway Bill. The *Rhymney Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill. The *Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill. The *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth Report.

Woolwich Arsenal (Steel Manufacture) No. 73. Ordered, That the Return relative to *Woolwich Arsenal (Steel Manufacture)*, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.) Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 263.

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

Colonial Possessions. Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Registrar General on the Statistics of the Colony of *New Zealand* for 1886.

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

Prisons (Scotland.) The Lord Advocate, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Rules by the Secretary for *Scotland*, under the *Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877*,—

1. Appointing the Police Cells in the Burgh of *Kirkcaldy* to be a Legal Prison; and

2. As to the Appointment of a Visiting Committee to the said Police Cells Prison.

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

Duchy of Cornwall. Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the *Duchy of Cornwall*, in the year ended on the 31st December 1887.

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

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of February last, for a Return relative to the *Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881 (Assistant Commissioners.)*

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

Sir John Gorst presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the *India Public Service Commission, 1886-7*.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the South Western or *Chichester* Division of the County of *Sussex*, in the room of the Honourable *Charles Henry Gordon Lennox*, commonly called Earl of *March*, who, since his election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenharn*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words, "an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that, in order accurately to ascertain our position, She may be graciously pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the requirements for the protection of the Empire," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill*;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill*;

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

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 6th March, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of February last, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* [Salary, &c.]);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

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Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Parish Vestries Reform Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Vestries Reform Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of this instant March.

Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of this instant March.

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

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

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Theatres (Metropolis) Bill. The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Copyright (Musical Compositions.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Recovery of Penalties for the unauthorised performance of Copyright Musical Compositions: And that Mr. Addison, Mr. Bartley, Mr. Dilwyn, and Mr. Lawson do prepare, and bring it in.

Religious Prosecutions Abolition. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish Prosecutions against Laymen for the expression of Opinion on matters of Religion: And that Mr. Courtney Kenny, Mr. Coleridge,
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Mr. Crossley, and Mr. Illingworth do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Planting of Timber Trees in Ireland: And that Mr. Arthur Balfour, Colonel King-Harman, and Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Addison presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Recovery of Penalties for the unauthorised performance of Copyright Musical Compositions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Planting of Timber Trees in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Courtney Kenny presented a Bill to abolish Prosecutions against Laymen for the expression of Opinion on matters of Religion: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of Monthly Comparative Statements of the Number of Paupers of all Classes (except Lunatics in Asylums, and Vagrants) in Receipt of Relief in England and Wales on the last day of every week in each month of the several years from 1857 to 1888, both inclusive:—Statement of the Number of Paupers (Lunatics and Vagrants included) distinguishing the Number of Adult Able-bodied Paupers relieved on the 1st day of January 1888:—And, similar Statement for the 1st day of July 1888.

Mr. Ritchie accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 6th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SIR John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, in the case of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Bill be permitted to proceed, provided that Clause 14 be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

2. That, in the case of the Keswick Gas Bill, Standing Order 63 ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that the approval of the Bill by the Shareholders be proved before the Committee on the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

3. That, in the case of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly.

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accordingly if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 62
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order, No. 62, has been complied with, viz.:

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extensions) Bill.

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Keswick Gas
Bill.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the *Keswick Gas Bill*, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

London
Tramways
(Various
Powers.)

A Petition of the *London Tramways' Company* (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *London Tramways Company* (Limited), to extend their existing Tramway System to *Tooting and Streatham*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Battersea
Vestry
(Parish Lands)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Battersea Vestry* (Parish Lands) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant March.

Bristol Water
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bristol Water Bill*;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Lewis Fry,

Yeas, { Colonel Hill: } 148.

Tellers for the { Mr. Llewellyn,

Noes, { Sir Richard Paget: } 130.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Brixton Park
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Brixton Park Bill*;

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

Public
Petitions

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth
Report.

Prisons (Scot-
land.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (Scotland), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant March, be printed.

No. 75.

Duchy of
Cornwall.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Duchy of *Cornwall*, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant March, be printed.

No. 76.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881 (Assistant Commissioners), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant March, be printed.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act,
1881 (Assistant
Commissioners.)

No. 77.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return of Number of Persons proceeded against for each Class of Offences. (1) under the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887, from 19th July 1887 (the date on which the Act came into force), to 31st December 1887; and (2) under the Prevention of Crime (Ireland) Act, 1882, from 12th July 1882 (the date on which the Act came into force) to 31st December 1882, and the Result of the Proceedings.

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887, and
Prevention of
Crime (Ireland)
Act, 1882
(Offences.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of February last, for a Return relative to the Endowed Schools Acts (Schemes).

Endowed
Schools Acts
(Schemes.)

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

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 265 to 268.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Copy of Report on subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 85.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations, with Appendices, by the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education in Scotland, 1888.

Education
(Scotland)
(New Code.)

Copy of Circular from the Scotch Education Department to School Boards in Scotland relative to Technical Schools.

Education
(Scotland)
(Technical
Schools.)

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report by the Board of Trade, on the following Harbour, &c. Bills:—

Harbour, &c.
Bills.
No. 78.

1. *Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction* Railway and Dock and other Companies (No. 1) Bill;

2. *Taff Vale Railways and Bute Docks Amalgamation* (No. 2) Bill.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* accordingly presented the said Report.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Date of the establishment of the Military Intelligence Department of the War Office; the Date of the establishment of the Naval Intelligence Department of the Admiralty; the actual Expenditure incurred for the Military and Naval Intelligence Departments respectively since their establishment down to the end of the Financial Year, 1886-7; the actual Expenditure incurred for our Military Attachés Abroad between the Date of the establishment of the Military Intelligence Department and the end of the Financial Year, 1886-7; and the actual Expenditure incurred for our Naval Attachés Abroad between the Date of the establishment of the Naval Intelligence Department and the end of the Financial Year, 1886-7.

Army (Military
Intelligence
Department.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of February last, That the Resolutions of the House of the 1st December 1882

Business of the
House (Rules
of Procedure.)
XIII.—Stand-
ing Commit-
tees.

1882 relating to the Constitution and Proceedings of Standing Committees for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, and to Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures, be revived.

Provided always, That the Committees shall consist of not more than Sixty nor less than Forty Members, subject to the power of addition to the said Committees by the Committee of Selection, as provided by the said Resolutions;

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

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by inserting, after the word "revived," the words "Provided, that 'Trade' shall include Agricultural and Fishing interests, and that those interests shall be entitled to due consideration in the constitution of such Standing Committee."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Main Question, by inserting after the word "Fishing," the words "and that Trade shall include Agriculture and Fishing."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Main Question, as amended, by leaving out from the word "Fishing" to the end of the Question.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made at the end of the Main Question, as amended, by adding at the end thereof the words "That there be added another Standing Committee for the consideration of all Bills relating to Scotland only."

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Sir George Campbell, } 137.
Yeas, { Mr. Donald Crawford: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 214.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

And, it being Midnight, the Debate on the Main Question, as amended, stood adjourned.

Wednesday, 7th March, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Prisoners for Contempt of Court (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Prisoners for Contempt of Court (Ireland) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 149, of Session 1887).

Distress for Rent (Dublin.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the levying of Distress for Rent, and for the execution of Small Debts, in the City of Dublin: And that Mr. Murphy, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Dwyer Gray, Mr. T. D. Sullivan, Captain M. Calmont, and Mr. T. Harrington do prepare, and bring it in.

Steam Boilers.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to, and provide for the compulsory examination of Steam Boilers: And that Mr. Provand, Mr. Octavius V. Morgan, and Mr. William Abraham do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Reformatory Schools Act, 1866": And that Mr. Dugdale, Mr. Whitmore, Mr. Wharton, Mr. Curzon, Mr. Dixon, and Mr. Mark Stewart do prepare, and bring it in.

Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill;

Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Engines and Boilers Bill;

Steam Engines and Boilers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wages (Ireland) Bill;

Wages (Ireland) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Libel Law Amendment Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill;

University of Glasgow (St. Mungo's College) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill;

Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant March, That the East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill be now read a second time;

East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of February last, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]);

Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

Theatres (Metropolis) Bill.

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

Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.

Bill 159.

Mr. *Murphy* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the levying of Distress for Rent, and for the execution of Small Debts, in the City of *Dublin*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March; and be printed.

Steam Boilers Bill.

Bill 160.

Mr. *Provand* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to, and provide for the compulsory examination of, Steam Boilers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.

Bill 161.

Mr. *Dugdale* presented a Bill to amend "The Reformatory Schools Act, 1866": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Temporary Chairman of Committees.

IN pursuance of a Resolution of this House, 24th February 1888, "Sittings of the House;"

I hereby nominate—

The Right Honourable *Henry Hartley*

Fowler,

Sir *John Eldon Gorst*,

Mr. *Alfred Hingworth*,

Mr. *Alexander Craig Sellar*, and

Mr. *James William Lowther*,

to act during this Session as temporary Chairmen of Committees, when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means.

ARTHUR W. PEEL,
Speaker.

6th March 1888.

Wednesday, 7th March, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway.

THE *Oxford, Aylesbury*, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways (Arbitration) Bill.

Ordered, That the South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways (Arbitration) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

South Eastern Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the South Eastern Railway Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sutton and Wimbledon Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Sutton and Wimbledon* Railway Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March.

Public Petitions.
Vide Fifth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

East India (Telegraph Department).

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Telegraph Department), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant March, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Endowed Schools Acts (Schemes), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant March, be printed. Endowed Schools Acts (Schemes.) No. 80.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question, as amended, proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That the Resolutions of the House of the 1st December 1882 relating to the Constitution and Proceedings of Standing Committees for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, and to Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures, be revived, and that Trade shall include Agriculture and Fishing;

And the Main Question, as amended, being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Main Question as amended, by adding at the end thereof the words, "That there be another Grand Committee, similarly constituted, and subject to the same rules, the Members for *Wales* and *Monmouthshire* being Members of such Committee, for the consideration of all Bills relating to *Wales* which may, by order of the House in each case, be committed to it."

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. *Rathbone*,
Yeas, (Mr. *Osborne Morgan*: } 113.

Tellers for the (Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,
Noes, (Colonel *Walrond*: } 135.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Main Question, as amended, by adding at the end thereof the words, "That there be another Committee, similarly constituted, and subject to the same Rules, for the consideration of all questions of a Foreign or Colonial nature, and the ratification of Treaties with Foreign Powers."

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. *Cremier*,
Yeas, (Mr. *Richard*: } 44.

Tellers for the (Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,
Noes, (Colonel *Walrond*: } 219.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That the Resolutions of the House of the 1st December 1882 relating to the Constitution and Proceedings of Standing Committees for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, and to Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures, be revived, and that Trade shall include Agriculture and Fishing.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That on Tuesdays and Fridays, and if set down by the Government, on Mondays and Thursdays, Motions for leave to bring in Bills, and for the Nomination of Select Committees, may be set down for consideration at the commencement of Public Business. If such Motions be opposed, Mr. Speaker, after permitting, if he thinks fit, a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves and from the Member who opposes any such Motion respectively, shall put the Question thereon without further Debate;

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An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "Motions for leave to bring in Bills, and for the nomination of Standing and Select Committees, shall be exempted from the operation of the Resolution of 24th February 1888 (Sittings of the House)," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "respectively," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "may without further Debate put the Question thereon, or the Question, 'That the Debate be now adjourned,'" instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "may, without further Debate, put the Question thereon, or the Question, 'That the Debate be now adjourned,'" be added after the word "respectively" in the Main Question, as amended:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That on Tuesdays and Fridays, and, if set down by the Government, on Mondays and Thursdays, Motions for leave to bring in Bills, and for the Nomination of Select Committees, may be set down for consideration at the commencement of Public Business. If such Motions be opposed, Mr. Speaker, after permitting, if he thinks fit, a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves and from the Member who opposes any such Motion respectively, may, without further Debate, put the Question thereon, or the Question, that the Debate be now adjourned.

Morning
Sittings at Two
o'clock.

The House was moved, That the Resolutions of the House of the 30th day of April 1869 relative to the Business of the House (Morning Sittings at Two of the clock), might be read; and the same were read, as follow:

That, unless the House shall otherwise order, whenever the House shall meet at Two o'clock, the House will proceed with Private Business, Petitions, Motions for unopposed Returns, and leave of absence to Members, giving Notices of Motions, Questions to Ministers, and such Orders of the Day as shall have been appointed for the Morning Sitting.

Suspension of
Sitting at Seven
o'clock.

That on such days, if the business be not sooner disposed of, the House will suspend its sitting at Seven o'clock; and at Ten minutes before Seven o'clock, unless the House shall otherwise order, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Debate on any business then under discussion, or the Chairman shall report Progress, as the case may be, and no opposed business shall then be proceeded with.

Sitting re-
sumed at Nine
o'clock.

That when such business has not been disposed of at Seven o'clock, unless the House shall otherwise order, Mr. Speaker (or the Chairman, in case the House shall be in Committee) do leave the Chair, and the House will resume its sitting at Nine o'clock, when the Orders of the Day not disposed of at the Morning Sitting, and any Motion which was under discussion at Ten minutes to Seven o'clock, shall be set down in the Order Book after the other Orders of the Day.

When Chair-
man reports
Progress at
Nine o'clock.
Resolutions to
be Standing
Orders.

That, whenever the House shall be in Committee at Seven o'clock, the Chairman do report Progress when the House resumes its sitting.

Resolved, That the said Resolutions be Standing Orders of this House.

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Resolved, That the House shall, unless Adjournment previously adjourned, sit until One o'clock, a.m., when the Speaker shall adjourn the House without Question put, unless a Bill or Proceeding exempted from the operation of Standing Order "Sittings of the House" be then under consideration. That the Business under discussion, and any Orders of the Day not disposed of at One o'clock, a.m., do stand for the next day on which the House shall sit.

The House was moved, That the Resolution of Withdrawal of the House of the 31st day of May 1875, relative to the Withdrawal of Strangers, might be read; and the same was read, as followeth:—

That if at any sitting of the House, or in Committee, any Member shall take notice that Strangers are present, Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman (as the case may be), shall forthwith put the Question, "That Strangers be ordered to withdraw," without permitting any Debate or Amendment: Provided that the Speaker, or the Chairman, may, whenever he thinks fit, order the withdrawal of Strangers from any part of the House.

Resolved, That the said Resolution be a Standing Order of this House.

Resolution to
be a Standing
Order.

The House was moved, That the Resolution of the House of the 12th day of March 1886, relative to Notices of Questions to Members to be in writing, might be read; and the same was read, as followeth:—

That Notices of Questions be given by Members in writing to the Clerk at the Table, without reading them *viva voce* in the House, unless the consent of the Speaker to any particular Question has been previously obtained.

Resolved, That the said Resolution be a Standing Order of this House.

Resolution to
be a Standing
Order.

Standing Order XIV A. (Closure of Debate) was read, and amended, by leaving out the first Proviso, in ls. 17 to 21 inclusive.

Standing
Order XIV A.
(Closure of
Debate.)

Standing Order XXI. (Notices on going into Committee of Supply) was read, and amended by leaving out, in l. 1, the words "the first," and inserting the word "an."

Standing
Order XXI.
(Notices on
going into
Committee of
Supply.)

Standing Order XXII. (Select Committees) was read, and amended by leaving out, in ls. 1 and 2, the words "on Wednesdays and other" "Morning Sittings of the House."

Standing
Order XXII.
(Select Com-
mittees.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the said Standing Order, by leaving out the words "except while the House is at prayers."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said Standing Order:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Standing Order XXXVI. (Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion) was read, and amended by leaving out the second word "Orders," and inserting the words "Business, whether Orders" "or Motions."

Standing
Order XXXVI.
(Orders of
the Day and
Notices of
Motion.)

Standing Order XXXVIII. (Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion) was read, and amended by inserting, in l. 3, after the word "Orders," the words "or Motions."

Standing Order
XXXVIII.
(Orders of
the Day and
Notices of
Motion.)

Resolved, That the Resolutions of this House of the 24th, 28th, and 29th days of February, and of the 7th day of March, relative to the Business of the House (Rules of Procedure), with the exception of Resolution No. XII, be Standing Orders of this House.

Resolutions to
be Standing
Orders.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Standing Orders Nos. III., IV., V. (Wednesday Sittings), VI., VII., VIII. (Morning Sittings), XI. (Debates on Motions for Adjournment), XIII. (Irrelevance or Repetition), XIV. (Putting the Question), XXXIX. (Dropped Orders),

Standing
Orders III., &c.

	Orders), XLI. (The half-past Twelve o'clock Rule), and XLIV. (Divisions), be repealed. An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out "XLI. (The half-past Twelve o'clock Rule.)" And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn. And the Main Question being put; <i>Resolved</i> , That Standing Orders Nos. III., IV., V. (Wednesday Sittings), VI., VII., VIII. (Morning Sittings), XI. (Debates on Motions for Adjournment), XIII. (Irrelevance or Repetition), XIV. (Putting the Question), XXXIX. (Dropped Orders), XLI. (The half-past Twelve o'clock Rule), and XLIV. (Divisions), be repealed.	
Standing Orders repealed.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Standing Orders of this House relative to Public Business, as amended, be printed. <i>Ordered</i> , That the further consideration of the New Rules of Procedure be adjourned till Monday the 19th day of this instant March.	
Standing Orders relative to Public Business.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March.	
Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	
Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	
Trees (Ireland) Bill.	The Mining Leases (Cornwall and Devon) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March.	
Mining Leases (Cornwall and Devon) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	
Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	
Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	
Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March.	
Municipal Rates Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fishing in Rivers Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March.	
Fishing in Rivers Bill.	The Solicitors (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 5th day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for Committee of Supply; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant March, That the East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of February last, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]); <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Select Committee on Rating and Valuation (Scotland) do consist of Seventeen Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Baird, Mr. John Blair Baird, Mr. Barbour, Mr. Joseph Bolton, Mr. Caldwell, Dr. Cameron, Sir Archibald Campbell, Sir Charles Dalrymple, Mr. Hugh Elliot, Sir Archibald Orr Ewing, Mr. Hunter, Colonel Malcolm, Mr. McEwan, Mr. James Robertson, Mr. Shaw-Stewart, Mr. Mark Stewart, and Mr. Edmund Robertson; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records. <i>Ordered</i> , That Five be the Quorum. <i>Ordered</i> , That a Committee of Six Members of this House be appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords to inquire and report as to the cost and method of the publication of the Debates and Proceedings in Parliament. <i>Ordered</i> , That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint their Lordships, That this House hath appointed a Committee of Six Members to join with a Committee of the Lords to inquire and report as to the cost and method of the publication of the Debates and Proceedings in Parliament: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message. <i>Ordered</i> , That Mr. Childers, Viscount Lynton, Sir Algernon Borthwick, Mr. Labouchere, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, and Mr. Jackson be Members of the said Committee. A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of amending the Acts relating to the National Debt; Mr. William Henry Smith, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty,	Solicitors (Ireland) Bill. Ways and Means. East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill. Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.] Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill. Rating and Valuation (Scotland). Debates and Proceedings in Parliament. National Debt Acts.

Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned till Tomorrow.

Thursday, 8th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Fourth Report.)
SIR Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 29th day of February last and the 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 6th days of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Private Bills (Standing Order 63 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, viz.:

Frodsham Gas and Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Public Petitions. (Vide Fifth Report.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Africa (No. 1, 1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of further Correspondence relating to Zanzibar (in continuation of Africa (No. 3, 1887).

Persia (No. 1, 1888.)

Copy of Agreements between the British and Persian Governments for prolonging the Conventions between Her Majesty and the Shah of Persia until 31st January 1906, relative to Telegraphic Communication between Europe and India. Signed at Tehran, 3rd July 1887.

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

Factories and Workshops.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, and Workshops to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for the year ending 31st October 1887.

Elementary Education Acts (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Digest of Evidence (with Index thereto) taken before the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the working of the Elementary Education Acts, England and Wales.

Union Workhouses (Ireland) (Scale of Dietary.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Scale of Dietary in force in each Union Workhouse in Ireland on the 25th day of March 1887.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules for Examiners for 1888, made by the intermediate Education Board for Ireland, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

Ecclesiastical Commission.

Copy of the Fortieth Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with an Appendix.

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

Prisons (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

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Copy of Order by the Secretary for Scotland under the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, and the Secretary for Scotland Act, 1885, discontinuing the Prison of Stirling.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, as regards each of Her Majesty's Home Dockyards, the following Particulars for each of the years 1886-7, 1885-6, 1884-5, 1883-4, and 1882-3; Number of Men employed; Amount of Wages paid; Amount of Salaries; Value of Work produced in new Construction, Repairs and Alteration, Refits for Commission.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Total Number of Men employed in Woolwich Arsenal, and also in the Small Arms Factory at Enfield; the Number employed in each Department and in each Branch of Trade; the extent to which Overtime (not including Night Shifts) has been worked during the Twelve Months ending the 29th day of February (the 1st day of March 1887 to the 29th day of February 1888, inclusive); and the Number of Men working Overtime (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 180, of Session 1887).

The Order made upon the 7th day of this instant March, That the further consideration of the New Rules of Procedure be adjourned till Monday the 19th day of this instant March, was read, and discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 5th day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee of Supply);

And which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that, in order accurately to ascertain our position, She may be graciously pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the requirements for the protection of the Empire," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

And the Main Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

And the Question being put accordingly, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 250.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Murphy, } 75.
Mr. Pickersgill:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 268.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Murphy, } 63.
Noes, { Mr. Pickersgill: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Land Forces, not exceeding 149,667, all ranks, for the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland at Home and Abroad, excluding Her Majesty's Indian Possessions.

2. £. 4,977,000, for the Pay, Allowances, and other Charges of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad (exclusive of India).
Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill;

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

Criminal Evidence Bill.

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

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

East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant March, That the East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]

The Order of the day, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of February last, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]), was read.

Mr. Speaker leaves the Chair without putting the Question (pursuant to S.O. 51, 1888.)

And, in pursuance of the Standing Order of the 28th day of February last, Mr. Speaker left the Chair without putting the Question.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a Salary to the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sheriff Courts Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling Second Reading of the Trawling (Scotland) Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Friday, 9th March, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Debts Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Herring Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Hares Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Factory and Second Reading of the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Theatres Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the procedure by which the House annually grants the Supplies to Her Majesty.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Thirty-fourth Section of "The Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886": And that Dr. Clark, Colonel Malcolm, Mr. Mackintosh, Dr. M'Donald, Mr. Angus Sutherland, and Mr. Lyell do prepare, and bring it in.

Dr. Clark accordingly presented a Bill to alter and amend the Thirty-fourth Section of "The Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be Bill 162.

be read a second time upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Mountains,
Rivers, and
Pathways
(Wales) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Intestates
Estates Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Intestates Estates Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant March.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 9th March, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

London,
Camberwell,
and Dulwich
Tramways Bill.

THE London, Camberwell, and Dulwich Tramways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Tottenham
Local Board
(Division of
District) Bill.

Ordered, That the Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifth
Report.

Prisons (Scot-
land.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (Scotland), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant March, be printed.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 269, No. 270, and No. 271.

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

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887
(Offences.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing, by Counties and Provinces, the Number of Persons proceeded against for each Class of Offences, under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," from 19th July 1887 (the date on which the Act came into force) to 31st December 1887, and the Result of the Proceedings.

Prisons
(England and
Wales.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the Secretary of State on 5th March 1888, as to Prisoners awaiting trial.

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

Civil Services
and Revenue
Departments,
1888-9.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum of the Secretary to the Treasury relating to the Civil Service Estimates, 1888-9.

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

Ordnance
Survey.

Mr. Plunket presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Progress of the Ordnance Survey to the 31st December 1887.

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

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, pursuant to Standing Order, 158A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill, and the objects thereof.

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Rating of Hereditaments containing Machinery: And that Sir William Houldsworth, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Sir Frederick Mappin, Mr. Tomlinson, and Mr. Mowbray do prepare, and bring it in.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, showing the Constitution of the Executive in each Colony, and, in the case of Colonies having Representative Assemblies, the Constitution of those Assemblies, the Number of Members, the Number of Electors, and the Qualifications requisite for Members and for Electors.

Sir William Houldsworth presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Rating of Hereditaments containing Machinery: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of May next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Merthyr Tydvil, in the room of Charles Herbert James, Esquire, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Debt Acts.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the conversion of the New Three per Cent. Annuities, the Consolidated Three per Cent. Annuities, and the Reduced Three per Cent. Annuities into certain other Annuities, and to provide for the Redemption of the New Three per Cent. Annuities.

2. Resolved, That the sums required in connection with such Conversion and Redemption be raised by the creation of new Stock, or by the issue of Exchequer Bonds, Exchequer Bills, or Treasury Bills, or by temporary Loans, and that the principal moneys so borrowed, and all interest from time to time due thereon, be charged on the Consolidated Fund.

3. Resolved, That such new Stock be created, bearing interest for the year ending on the 5th day of April 1889 at the rate of three pounds per cent. and thereafter until the 5th day of April 1903, at the rate of two pounds fifteen shillings per cent., and thereafter at the rate of two pounds ten shillings per cent. and that the dividends thereon be paid quarterly.

4. Resolved, That all sums for defraying expenses incurred in carrying out such Conversion and Redemption, including such sums as may be required for facilitating such Conversion, and additional

additional remuneration to the Banks of *England* and *Ireland*, be charged on the Consolidated Fund.

5. *Resolved*, That provision be made for carrying out the arrangements necessary for such Conversion of Stocks and Redemption of Annuities.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Supply
[8th March.] Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Land Forces. A. That a number of Land Forces, not exceeding 149,667, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and *Ireland* at Home and Abroad, excluding Her Majesty's *Indian* Possessions, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Pay, Allowances, &c. 1. That a sum, not exceeding £. 4,977,000 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Pay, Allowances, and other Charges of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad (exclusive of *India*), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant March, That the *East India* (Purchase and Construction of Railways) 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;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* [Salary, &c.] The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* [Salary, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a Salary to the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*;

After Debate thereon;

Question put, pursuant to S. O. (Closure of Debate.) Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put accordingly, "That the Question be now put;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 190.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond; }

Tellers for the { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 130.
Noes, { Mr. Robert Spencer; }

Question put, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a Salary to the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 182.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond; }

Tellers for the { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 132.
Noes, { Mr. Robert Spencer; }

And, it being after ten minutes to Seven o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair, to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have appointed a Committee, to consist of Six Lords, to join with a Committee of the Commons (pursuant to a Message of this House) to inquire and report as to the Cost and Method of the Publication of the Debates and Proceedings in Parliament.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Incorporation of *Keble College*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The *Keble College* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Railway and Canal Companies' Charges Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of this instant March.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, it is contrary to the true principles of Representative Government, and injurious to their efficiency, that any person should be a Member of one House of the Legislature by right of birth, and it is therefore desirable to put an end to any such existing rights," instead thereof.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 10th March, 1888:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 223.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond; }

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 162.
Noes, { Mr. Macdonald Cameron; }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

And it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 12th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill
Petitions
(Standing
Orders not
complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

United States and South American Investment Trust Company.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Taff Vale Rail-
way and Butte
Docks Amalgama-
tion Bill.

The Order made upon the 14th day of February last, That the *Taff Vale* Railway and *Butte Docks* Amalgamation Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

United States
and South
American
Investment
Trust Company
(Limited.)

A Petition of the United States and South American Investment Trust Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Alteration and Amendment of the Memorandum of Association of the United States and South American Investment Trust Company, Limited, with reference to the Investment of Funds, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Columbia
Market and
Railways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Columbia Market and Railways* Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Billinghay and
Metheringham
(Light) Rail-
way (Abandon-
ment) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Billinghay and Metheringham* (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Aberdeen Dis-
trict Tramways
Bill.

The *Aberdeen District Tramways* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Bristol Port
Railway and
Pier Bill.

The *Bristol Port Railway and Pier* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Eastern and
Midlands Rail-
way (Exten-
sions) Bill.

The Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extensions) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Eastern and
Midlands Rail-
way (Further
Powers) Bill.

The Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Keswick Gas
Bill.

The *Keswick Gas* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London Street
Tramways Bill.

The *London Street Tramways* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Cork and
Bandon Rail-
way Bill.

The *Cork and Bandon Railway* Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Tottenham
Local Board
(Division of
District) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Tottenham Local Board* (Division of District) Bill;

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

London,
Chatham, and
Dover Railway
Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *London, Chatham, and Dover Railway* Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out of the recital relating to the Bridges over the River *Medway* so much as

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relates to the Bridge across the River *Medway* authorised by the *Rochester Bridge Act*, 1846, in order to make it consistent with the Bill, as amended, and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Fifth
Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Union Workhouses (*Ireland*) (Scale of Dietary), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant March, be printed.

Union Work-
houses (Ire-
land) (Scale of
Dietary.)

No. 83.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1888-9, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant March, be printed.

Civil Services
and Revenue
Departments,
1888-9.

No. 82.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158 A,—Copies of Reports by the Board of Trade respecting the following Bills, and their objects, viz.:

Railways
Abandonment.

(1.) *Isle of Axholme Railway* (Abandonment) Bill;

(2.) *Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway* Bill.

Ordered, That the said Reports be referred to the respective Committees on the Bills.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Thirty-seventh Report from the Church Estates Commissioners; with an Appendix for the year preceding 1st March 1888.

Church Estates
Commission

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

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 272 and 273.

Trade Reports
(Annua
Series.)

Copy of further Correspondence respecting Egypt (No. 2, the Affairs of Egypt (in continuation of Egypt, 1886.) No. 2, 1887).

Copy of further Correspondence respecting Egypt (No. 3, the Finances of Egypt (in continuation of Egypt, 1886.) No. 11, 1887).

Copy of Reports by Sir E. Baring on the Finances of Egypt. (No. 4, 1886.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Settlement of the Claims of the Ex-Khedive Ismail Pasha and his Family. (No. 5, 1886.)

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Report made to the Lord Chancellor under the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1862, by the Visitors of Lunatics, of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the said Visitors, between the 1st day of July and the 31st day of December 1887; and, Return of all Sums received by the Visitors of Lunatics for Travelling Expenses, or upon any other account, from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December 1887.

Lunacy.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Cost of Police

Police
Expenses.

Police in Boroughs of *Great Britain* over 100,000 Inhabitants, and in *Dublin* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 284, of Session 1887), with Particulars, for *Dublin* only, of any Local or Incidental Charge paid over to the Exchequer as an Extra Receipt beyond the Amount of the Police Rate given in Column 24.

Bankruptcy and Arrangement Petitions.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Bankruptcy and Arrangement Petitions, Numbers filed in *Ireland*, for the Years 1883 to 1887, inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 296, of Session 1883).

Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Experiments on Living Animals.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report from the Inspector, showing the Number of Experiments performed on Living Animals during the year 1887, under Licences granted under the Act 39 & 40 Vic. c. 77, distinguishing Painless from Painful Experiments (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 136, of Session 1887).

Glamorgan (Western or Gower Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament, for the County of Glamorgan, Western or Gower Division, in the room of *Frank Ash Yeo*, Esquire, deceased.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

County Courts Consolidation Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the County Courts Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Fylde Water Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers upon the Fylde Waterworks Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Fylde Water Bill [Lords.]

The Fylde Water Bill was read the first time. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

National Debt Acts.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on the National Debt Acts, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That it is expedient to authorise the Conversion of the New Three per Cent. Annuities, the Consolidated Three per Cent. Annuities, and the Reduced Three per Cent. Annuities into certain other Annuities, and to provide for the Redemption of the New Three per Cent. Annuities.

2. That the Sums required in connection with such Conversion and Redemption be raised by the creation of new Stock, or by the issue of Exchequer Bonds, Exchequer Bills, or Treasury

Bills, or by temporary Loans, and that the principal moneys so borrowed, and all interest from time to time due thereon, be charged on the Consolidated Fund.

3. That such new Stock be created, bearing interest for the year ending on the 5th day of April 1889 at the rate of three pounds per cent., and thereafter until the 5th day of April 1903, at the rate of two pounds fifteen shillings per cent., and thereafter at the rate of two pounds ten shillings per cent., and that the dividends thereon be paid quarterly.

4. That all Sums for defraying expenses incurred in carrying out such Conversion and Redemption, including such Sums as may be required for facilitating such conversion, and additional remuneration to the Banks of *England* and *Ireland*, be charged on the Consolidated Fund.

5. That provision be made for carrying out the arrangements necessary for such Conversion of Stocks and Redemption of Annuities.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the National Debt said Resolutions: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill for reducing the Rate of Interest on the National Debt: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock; and to be printed. National Debt (Conversion) Bill. Bill 164.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the allocation of authority in the administrative system of the Admiralty requires entire reform," instead thereof. Administrative system of the Admiralty.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 13th March, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

The Timber Acts (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next. Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burgh Police and Health (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

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

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

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

Resolved,

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

Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.];

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

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill;

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

Vagrant Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vagrant Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Municipal Franchise (Belfast) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Belfast) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill.

The Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

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

Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Occupiers Disqualification Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant March, That the Occupiers Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Hares Preservation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

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

Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill;

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

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

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

Libel Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

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

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant March, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

Ordered, That a Committee of Six Members of this House be appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords to examine into the present system of Private Bill Legislation, and to report how far and in what manner, without prejudice to public interests, that system may be modified, with a view to the interests of suitors, the economy of the time of Parliament, and the reduction of costs and charges.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint their Lordships, That this House hath appointed a Committee of Six Members to join with a Committee of the Lords to examine into the present system of Private Bill Legislation, and to report how far and in what manner, without prejudice to public interests, that system may be modified, with a view to the interests of suitors, the economy of the time of Parliament, and the reduction of costs and charges: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the Restoration and Repair of Westminster Abbey: And that Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Secretary Matthews, and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Committee of Public Accounts do consist of Twelve Members.

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the County Courts (Ireland) Acts, and to improve the Administration of the Law in Ireland: And that Mr. T. M. Healy, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Chance, and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her consent from the Scheme for the Management of the Endowment in the Burgh of Saint Andrew's, and County of Fife, known as the Madras College, now lying upon the Table of the House:—It passed in the Negative.

Mr. Jackson presented a Bill to make further provision for the Restoration and Repair of Westminster Abbey: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Timothy Healy presented a Bill to amend the County Courts (Ireland) Acts, and to improve the Administration of the Law in Ireland:

And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next, the Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment (No. 2) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill, instead thereof, to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875": And that Mr. Francis Stevenson, Mr. Picton, Mr. Channing, Mr. Burt, Mr. Caldwell, and Mr. Mason do prepare, and bring it in.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Beer Adulteration Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of April next.

Wages (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Wages (Ireland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 13th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Standing Orders.

SIR John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction Railway and Dock and other Companies (No. 2) Bill.

1. That, in the case of the Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction Railway and Dock and other Companies (No. 2) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

London Tramways (Various Powers.)

2. That, in the case of the London Tramways (Various Powers) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that the powers to construct Tramways Nos. 2, 2A, and 2B be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Bristol Water Bill.

3. That, in the case of the Bristol Water Bill, Petition of William Henry Wills for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of his Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Barry Dock and Railways (Railway Extension) Bill.

Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Keble College Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the London Tramways (Various Powers) Bill, might be read, and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the London Tramways Company (Limited) to extend their existing Tramway System to Tooling and Streatham, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Penrose Fitzgerald and Mr. Smith Barry do prepare, and bring it in.

The Frodsham Gas and Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Brixton Park Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the Bristol District Water Bill in Session 1877, the West Gloucestershire Water Bill in Session 1884, and the West Gloucestershire Water Bill in Session 1887, be referred to the Committee on the Bristol Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the Halifax Water and Gas Extension Bill in Session 1876 be referred to the Committee on the Halifax Corporation Water Bill.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of Zululand and adjacent Territories (in continuation of [C. 5143] of August 1887).

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

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate showing the several Services for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1889.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Table showing, according to Counties in Munster, the Number of Loans applied for, the Number of Estates, and the Total Acreage, Tenement Valuation, and Net Rental of the Holdings embraced in the Applications, also the Total Purchase Money agreed upon, and the Amount of

of Loans applied for during the Six Months ending the 21st day of February 1888:—

Counties in Munster.	Number of Loans applied for.	Number of Estates embraced in Application.	Acreege in Statute Measure.	Tenement Valuation.	Net Rent.	Purchase Money agreed upon.	Amount of Loans applied for.
Clare -							
Cork -							
Kerry -							
Limerick -							
Tipperary -							
Waterford -							

Land Purchase (Ireland) Act (Loans sanctioned.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, according to Counties in Munster, the Number of Loans provisionally sanctioned, and the Net Rent of the Holdings in respect of which the Loans have been sanctioned, also the Total Purchase Money agreed upon, and the Amount of Loans sanctioned during the Six Months ending the 21st day of February 1888:—

Counties in Munster.	Number of Loans sanctioned.	Net Rent of Holdings.	Purchase Money finally agreed upon.	Amount of Loans sanctioned.
Clare -				
Cork -				
Kerry -				
Limerick -				
Tipperary -				
Waterford -				

Committee of Selection (Special Report.)

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had selected the following Six Members to be the Chairman's Panel, and to serve as Chairmen of the two Standing Committees to be appointed under the Standing Order of the 7th March:—

Mr. Campbell-Bannerman,
Sir Henry James.
Mr. Osborne Morgan.
Mr. Arthur O'Connor,
Sir Matthew White Ridley,
Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill.

Bill 167.

Mr. Francis Stevenson presented a Bill to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove the Disqualification of certain Burgesses of the City of Winchester to vote at Municipal Elections: And that Mr. Moss, Viscount Baring, and Mr. Bramston Beach do prepare, and bring it in.

Assizes Relief.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to relieve the Courts of Assize from the Trial of Offenders committed to the Quarter Sessions: And that Mr. Addison, Mr. Gully, Mr. Wharton, and Mr. Whitley do prepare, and bring it in.

Vexatious Indictments (Amendment.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to compel a Prosecutor to find Security for Costs in cases arising under Section Two of the Thirtieth and Thirty-first years of Victoria, Chapter Thirty-five: And that Mr. Addison, Mr. Vol. 143.

Whitley, Mr. Dugdale, and Mr. Fulton do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Moss presented a Bill to remove the Disqualification of certain Burgesses of the City of Winchester to vote at Municipal Elections: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed. Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill. Bill 168.

Mr. Addison presented a Bill to relieve the Courts of Assize from the Trial of Offenders committed to the Quarter Sessions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed. Assizes Relief Bill. Bill 169.

Mr. Addison presented a Bill to compel a Prosecutor to find Security for Costs in cases arising under Section Two of the Thirtieth and Thirty-first years of Victoria, Chapter Thirty-five: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed. Vexatious Indictments (Amendment) Bill. Bill 170.

Mr. Woodall reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That, there being no business ready for their consideration, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday the 22nd day of this instant March, at Eleven of the clock. Railway Bills (Group 1.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the unwise Frontier Policy of the Government of India is producing grave Financial difficulties in that Country, leading not only to increased burdens of Taxation, but to the extension of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors for Revenue purposes, with serious results to the moral and material welfare of the People:—And a Debate arising thereupon; Government of India (Frontier Policy.)

Mr. Caine rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put:—"

And the Question, "That the Question be now put," being put accordingly:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That, in the opinion of this House, the unwise Frontier Policy of the Government of India is producing grave Financial difficulties in that Country, leading not only to increased burdens of Taxation, but to the extension of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors for Revenue purposes, with serious results to the moral and material welfare of the People;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Slagg, } 72.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Caine: } 122.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 122.

Noes, { Colonel Watford: } 122.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, 14th March, 1888:

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the Army Estimates, and to report their Observations thereon to the House. Army Estimates.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the Navy Estimates, and to report their Observations thereon to the House. Navy Estimates.

Revenue
Departments
Estimates.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the Estimates for the Revenue Departments, and to report their Observations thereon to the House.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Meetings in
Schools) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Office under
the Crown
(Vacating of
Seats) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Office under the Crown (Vacating of Seats) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of May next.

Mining
Accidents
Insurance
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill;

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

Herring
Fishery (Scot-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

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

Pauper Lunatics'
Asylums
(Ireland)
(Officers' Superannuation)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

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

Fishery Acts
Amendment
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill;

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

Housing of
the Working
Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

Personal
Property
(Exemption)
Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant March.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 14th March, 1888.

PRAYERS.

West Surrey
Water Bill.

MR. Wodehouse reported the West Surrey Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

South Indian
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Indian Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways (Arbitration) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the South Eastern Second Reading of the South Eastern Railway Bill;

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

The Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Sixth
Report.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of an Index to the Reports from the Committees of Public Accounts, prepared by the Comptroller and Auditor General.

Public
Accounts.
No. 83.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Oaths Bill.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "having regard to the fact that the Bill for the Amendment of the Law as to Oaths relates not only to the Parliamentary Oath, but involves grave questions of Constitutional usage affecting every class of persons within these Realms, this House declines to make any alteration in the present Law until the whole subject has been investigated by a Royal Commission," instead thereof.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 247.
Yeas, { Mr. Kelly: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Stanley Leighton, } 137.
Noes, { Mr. De Lisle: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Mr. Bradlaugh rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

Question put
(pursuant to
S.O. Closure
of Debate.)

And the Question being put accordingly, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 334.
Yeas, { Mr. Kelly: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Chaplin, } 50.
Noes, { Mr. Hubbard: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

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

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 250.
 { Mr. Kelly: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Norris, } 150.
 { Colonel Waring: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Metropolis Local Government Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolis Local Government Bill;

And it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Further Proceedings on the Second Reading stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Further Proceedings on the Second Reading of the Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Accumulations Bill.

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

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

Jurors' Detention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill;

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

Industrial Agricultural Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;

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

Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill;

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

Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of this instant March.

Trees (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;

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

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant March, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee of Supply);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Ways and Means.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification and Registration of Parliamentary Voters, and the Conduct of Parliamentary Elections: And that Mr. Cremer, Mr. William Crawford, Mr. Abraham (Glamorgan), Mr. Burt, Mr. Pickard, and Mr. James Rowlands do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence in the case of Mr. A. Vesey Stoney, J.P., viz.:—

- (1.) Letter from the Rev. M. Coen, C.C., to Mr. T. M. Healy, M.P., containing Charges of alleged Improper Administration of Public Funds in connection with State-aided Emigration from the County of Mayo;
- (2.) Report by Mr. Micks, Local Government Board Inspector, in regard to such Charges;
- (3.) Letter from Mr. Stoney, J.P., to the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, dated the 5th day of September 1887;
- (4.) Letter from the Lord Chancellor of Ireland to Mr. Stoney, J.P., dated the 9th day of November 1887.

Sir John Lubbock reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

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

Mr. Cremer presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification and Registration of Parliamentary Voters, and the conduct of Parliamentary Elections: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to the Magistracy (Ireland).

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

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Mr.

Civil Services
(Excesses,
1886-87.)
No. 85.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of Sums required to be Voted in order to make good Excesses on certain Grants, for the year ended on 31st March 1887.

Ordered, That the said Paper be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Tomorrow.

Thursday, 15th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill
Petitions
(Standing
Orders not
complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Alabama Great Southern Railway.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public
Petitions
(Fifth Report.)

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 7th, 8th, 9th, 12th, and 13th days of this instant March; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Billinghay and
Metheringham
(Light)
Railway
(Abandonment)
Bill.

The *Billinghay and Metheringham* (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Columbia
Market and
Railways Bill.

The *Columbia Market and Railways* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

London
Tramways
(Various
Powers) Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *London Tramways* Company, Limited, to extend their existing Tramway system to *Tooting* and *Streatham*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Belfast Street
Tramways.

A Petition of the *Belfast Street Tramways* Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Belfast Street Tramways* Company to construct additional Tramways, to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir William Ewart and Sir John Puleston.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Report.

Irish Land

Commission.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Proceedings under the Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, 1881 and 1887, Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, 1885 and 1886, and Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1885, during February 1888.

Medical
Councils.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Returns of Receipts and Expenditure of the General Medical Council, and of the Branch Councils for *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*; and Apportionment of the Amounts payable to the General Council by branch Councils; also, Re-

turns of Receipts and Expenditure of the Dental Registration Fund of the General Medical Council; for the year 1887.

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

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on the *Rotherham and Bawtry* Railway Bill, and the Objects thereof.

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Number of Cases tried in County Courts in 1886 and 1887; Amount of Compensation claimed; the Amount awarded; the Number of Cases in which application has been made to remove the Case for trial from the County Court to the Superior Court; the Number of Cases in which the application has been granted; and the ground of the application in those Cases in which it has been granted (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper No. 226, of Session 1886).

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; (Group 4.) That, there being no business for their consideration, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; That the Parties promoting the *Glenfalloch* Railway Bill had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Eastern or Melton Division of *Leicestershire*, in the room of the Right Honourable John James Robert Manners, G.C.B., commonly called Lord John Manners, now Duke of Rutland, called up to the House of Peers.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Bail in *Scotland*: And that the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland* do prepare, and bring it in.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law of Bail in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.] and to the disposition of Land for Charitable Uses; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee appointed to inquire and report as to the Cost of Debates and Proceedings in Parliament.

and method of the publication of the Debates and Proceedings in Parliament do meet in Room No. 1, Upper Corridor, on Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant March, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee of Supply);

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

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. 62,400 Men and Boys for the Sea, and Coast Guard Services, including 12,900 Royal Marines.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,112,700, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c., to Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, and the Half-Pay of Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,112,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c., to Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, and the Half-Pay of Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,614,903, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charge for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, viz.:

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

<i>Great Britain:—</i>	£.
Royal Palaces - - - - -	5,000
Marlborough House - - - - -	500
Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens - - - - -	12,000
Houses of Parliament - - - - -	6,000
Gordon Monument - - - - -	—
Public Buildings - - - - -	20,000
Admiralty, Extension of Buildings - - - - -	800
Furniture of Public Offices - - - - -	3,000
Revenue Department Buildings - - - - -	35,000
County Court Buildings - - - - -	5,000
Metropolitan Police Courts - - - - -	3,000
Sheriff Court Houses, <i>Scotland</i> - - - - -	5,000
Surveys of the United Kingdom - - - - -	40,000
Science and Art Department Buildings - - - - -	2,000
British Museum Buildings - - - - -	2,000
Edinburgh University Buildings - - - - -	—
Diplomatic and Consular Buildings - - - - -	3,000
Harbours, &c., under Board of Trade - - - - -	2,000
Lighthouses Abroad - - - - -	1,000
Peterhead Harbour - - - - -	1,000
Rates on Government Property (<i>Great Britain and Ireland</i>) - - - - -	80,000
Metropolitan Fire Brigade - - - - -	2,500
Disturnpiked and Main Roads (<i>England and Wales</i>) - - - - -	10,000
Disturnpiked Roads (<i>Scotland</i>) - - - - -	5,000

Ireland:—

Public Buildings - - - - -	35,000
Science and Art Buildings, <i>Dublin</i> - - - - -	7,000

CLASS II.

England:—

House of Lords, Offices - - - - -	6,000
House of Commons, Offices - - - - -	6,000
Treasury, including Parliamentary Counsel - - - - -	10,000
Home Office and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	15,000
Foreign Office - - - - -	10,000

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Colonial Office - - - - -	£. 6,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	7,000
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	20,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade - - - - -	3
Charity Commission (including Endowed Schools Department) - - - - -	6,000
Civil Service Commission - - - - -	9,000
Exchequer and Audit Department - - - - -	9,000
Friendly Societies, Registry - - - - -	1,500
Land Commission for <i>England</i> - - - - -	2,000
Local Government Board - - - - -	40,000
Lunacy Commission - - - - -	2,000
Mint (including Coinage) - - - - -	20,000
National Debt Office - - - - -	2,500
Patent Office - - - - -	9,000
Paymaster General's Office - - - - -	4,500
Public Works Loan Commission - - - - -	1,500
Record Office - - - - -	4,000
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	8,000
Stationery Office and Printing - - - - -	70,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of - - - - -	6,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of - - - - -	8,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid - - - - -	15,000
Secret Service - - - - -	8,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for <i>Scotland</i> - - - - -	2,000
Exchequer and other Offices - - - - -	500
Fishery Board - - - - -	3,000
Lunacy Commission - - - - -	1,000
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	1,000
Board of Supervision - - - - -	3,000

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household - - - - -	1,000
Chief Secretary's Office - - - - -	6,500
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office - - - - -	300
Local Government Board - - - - -	15,000
Public Works Office - - - - -	10,000
Record Office - - - - -	1,000
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	3,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey - - - - -	4,500

CLASS III.

England:—

Law Charges - - - - -	12,000
Criminal Prosecutions - - - - -	30,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - - - -	65,000
Wreck Commission - - - - -	2,000
County Courts - - - - -	20,000
Land Registry - - - - -	1,000
Revising Barristers, <i>England</i> - - - - -	—
Police Courts (<i>London and Sheerness</i>) - - - - -	3,000
Metropolitan Police - - - - -	125,000
Special Police - - - - -	9,000
County and Borough Police, <i>Great Britain</i> - - - - -	1,000
Prisons, <i>England</i> and the Colonies - - - - -	120,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, <i>Great Britain</i> - - - - -	80,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - - - -	6,000

Scotland:—

Lord Advocate and Criminal Proceedings - - - - -	10,000
Courts of Law and Justice - - - - -	5,000
Register House Departments - - - - -	6,000
Crofters' Commission - - - - -	1,000
Police, Counties and Burghs (<i>Scotland</i>) - - - - -	1,000
Prisons, <i>Scotland</i> - - - - -	15,000

Ireland:—

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions - - - - -	15,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - - - -	12,000
Court of Bankruptcy - - - - -	1,500
Admiralty Court Registry - - - - -	200
Registry of Deeds - - - - -	3,000
Registry of Judgments - - - - -	400
Land Commission - - - - -	20,000
County Court Officers, &c. - - - - -	18,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police (including Police Courts) - - - - -	30,000
Constabulary - - - - -	250,000
Prisons, <i>Ireland</i> - - - - -	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools - - - - -	25,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - - - -	1,500

CLASS IV.

England:—

Public Education - - - - -	640,000
Science and Art Department - - - - -	40,000
British Museum - - - - -	25,000
National Gallery - - - - -	2,500
National Portrait Gallery - - - - -	400
Learned Societies, &c. - - - - -	6,500
London University - - - - -	2,000
Universities and Colleges, Grants in Aid - - - - -	1,000
Deep Sea Exploring Expedition (Report) - - - - -	500

<i>Scotland:—</i>				£.
Public Education	-	-	-	140,000
Universities, &c.	-	-	-	2,000
National Gallery	-	-	-	400

<i>Ireland:—</i>				
Public Education	-	-	-	200,000
Teachers' Pension Office	-	-	-	500
Endowed Schools Commissioners	-	-	-	200
National Gallery	-	-	-	300
Queen's Colleges	-	-	-	500
Royal Irish Academy	-	-	-	100

CLASS V.				
Diplomatic Services	-	-	-	50,000
Consular Services	-	-	-	40,000
Slave Trade Services	-	-	-	4,000
Suez Canal (British Directors)	-	-	-	400
Colonies, Grants in Aid	-	-	-	8,000
South Africa and Saint Helena	-	-	-	8,000
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies	-	-	-	14,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid	-	-	-	—

CLASS VI.				
Superannuation and Retired Allowances	-	-	-	120,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund, Pensions, &c.	-	-	-	1,000
Pauper Lunatics, England	-	-	-	—
Pauper Lunatics, Scotland	-	-	-	—
Pauper Lunatics, Ireland	-	-	-	60,000
Hospitals and Infirmarys, Ireland	-	-	-	3,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	-	-	-	—
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Great Britain	-	-	-	500
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Ireland	-	-	-	600

CLASS VII.				
Temporary Commissions	-	-	-	8,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	-	-	-	4,000
Public Works and Industries, Ireland	-	-	-	6,000
Repayment of Kibbrash and Kilkee Railway Deposit	-	-	-	3,300

Total for Civil Services - £. 2,944,903

Revenue Departments.				
Customs	-	-	-	100,000
Inland Revenue	-	-	-	100,000
Post Office	-	-	-	100,000
Post Office Packet Service	-	-	-	20,000
Post Office Telegraphs	-	-	-	350,000

Total for Revenue Departments - £. 670,000

Grand Total - £. 3,614,903

After Debate thereon;

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

Question put accordingly, "That the Question be now put;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 188.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Mr. H. J. Wilson,	} 67.
Noes,	Mr. Dillon:	

Question accordingly put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,614,903, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charge for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 207.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond;	
Tellers for the	Mr. Biggar,	} 41.
Noes,	Mr. Donal Sullivan:	

Civil Services (Excesses.) 4. £. 3,309 7s. 4d., to make good Excesses on certain Grants for Civil Services, for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1887, viz.:

CLASS II.				£. s. d.
House of Lords, Offices	-	-	-	48 14 10

CLASS III.				
County Courts	-	-	-	3,280 12 6

Total - £. 3,309 7 4

Resolutions to be reported.

Friday, 16th March, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day, at Two of the clock.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill; East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill. Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No 1 (Amendments in the Timber Acts).

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]; Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill; Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill; Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill; Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill; Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Theatres Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill; Theatres (Metropolis) Bill.

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

The

Libel Law
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

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

Pauper
Lunatics'
Asylums
(Ireland)
(Officers'
Superannua-
tion) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (*Ireland*) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 16th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Metropolis
Local Govern-
ment Bill.

The Order of the day being read for resuming the further Proceedings on the Second Reading of the Metropolis Local Government Bill;

Ordered, That the further Proceedings be resumed upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

Trees (Ireland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Housing of the
Working
Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

House of
Commons
(Admission of
Strangers.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Rules and Regulations under which Strangers are admitted to this House and its Precincts, and to report whether any alterations in the same are expedient.

Army
Estimates.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Army Estimates do consist of Seventeen Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Lord Randolph Churchill, Mr. Jennings, Mr. A. Gathorne-Hardy, Mr. James Campbell, Sir Frederick Fitz Wygram, Captain Cotton, Mr. Brodrick, Mr. Edward Stanhope, Sir Henry Havelock-Allan, Sir William Crossman, Mr. Childers, Mr. Henry H. Fowler, Mr. Woodall, Mr. Picton, Dr. Cameron, Colonel Nolan, and Mr. O'Kelly; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

County Courts
Consolidation
Bill [*Lords*.]
Bill 173.

The County Courts Consolidation Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mortmain and
Charitable
Uses Bill
[*Lords*.]
Bill 174.

The Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Resident
Magistrates
(Ireland.)
No. 89.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the Resident Magistrates in *Ireland*, showing their Names, Ages when appointed, former Vocation, Districts where they now exercise Jurisdiction, Salaries on Appointment and at present, and the Tenure on which they hold Office; also distinguishing those—

(1.) Of the sufficiency of whose Legal Knowledge the Lord Lieutenant has expressed himself satisfied, within the meaning of Section 11 of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887;"

(2.) Of the sufficiency of whose Legal Knowledge the Lord Lieutenant has expressed

himself satisfied, within the meaning of Section 22 of "The Prevention of Crime (*Ireland*) Act, 1882;"

(3.) Of the sufficiency of whose Legal Knowledge and Legal Experience the Lord Chancellor has expressed himself satisfied, within the meaning of Section 1 of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887."

Colonel King-Harman accordingly presented the said Return.

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

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message as proposes the time and place of meeting of the Joint Committee on Debates and Proceedings in Parliament be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take that part of the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords to inquire and report as to the cost and method of the publication of the Debates and Proceedings in Parliament, do meet in Room No. 1, Upper Corridor, on Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint their Lordships that this House hath directed the Committee appointed by them to inquire and report as to the cost and method of the publication of the Debates and Proceedings in Parliament to meet the Committee appointed by their Lordships in Room No. 1, Upper Corridor, on Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to agree in the appointment of a Chairman.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 16th March, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Fylde Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of the Alabama Great Southern Railway Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision with reference to the Arrears of Dividend on the Preference Shares in the Capital of the Alabama Great Southern Railway Company, Limited, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The South Eastern Metropolitan (*Lewisham*, *Greenwich*, and District) Tramways Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the repayment of the sum of One thousand five hundred pounds, being the sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The Aberdeen District Tramways Extension Act, 1878," which, in pursuance

Debates and
Proceedings in
Parliament.

Private Bills
[*Lords*] (No
Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
applicable.)

Alabama Great
Southern
Railway.

South Eastern
Metropolitan
(*Lewisham*,
Greenwich,
and District)
Tramways Bill.

Aberdeen
District Tram-
ways Bill
[Repayment
of Deposit.]

suance of Section Six of that Act, is now forfeited, or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon;

Mr. *Raihes*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

Belfast Street Tramways Bill. A Bill to empower the *Belfast Street Tramways Company* to construct additional Tramways; to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixth Report.
Shoreham Harbour.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Report, and Account of all Moneys which have been received and paid up to the 30th day of June 1887, by the Commissioners of *Shoreham Harbour* and the *Shoreham Harbour Trustees*, acting respectively under "The *New Shoreham Harbour Act, 1816*," and "The *New Shoreham Harbour Act, 1876*."

Debates and Proceedings in Parliament.

Ordered, That the Committee on Debates and Proceedings in Parliament have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Metropolitan Police Constables (Assaults.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Dates, Names, and Particulars of all Charges made before Magistrates of Assaults alleged to have been committed by Metropolitan Police Constables between the 1st day of September 1887 and the 1st day of March 1888, and showing what, if any, Investigation or Prosecution took place in consequence of each such Charge, and by whom such Investigation or Prosecution was conducted, and its Result.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Stanley Leighton* have leave of absence for one week, on account of domestic affliction.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of certain Articles of Linen Manufacture woven upon Handlooms: And that Colonel *Saunderson*, Mr. *Macartney*, Colonel *Waring*, and Mr. *O'Neill* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Perpetuity (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Land held in Perpetuity at variable Rents in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Macartney*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, and Colonel *Waring* do prepare, and bring it in.

Coroners' Elections.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Election of Coroners: And that Mr. *Wootton Isaacson*, Mr. *Gourley*, Mr. *Ambrose*, and Colonel *Hughes* do prepare, and bring it in.

Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Select Committee on Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners) do consist of Seventeen Members:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Corn Returns.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Corn Returns:—And that Mr. *Jasper More*, Mr. *Charles Gray*,

and Colonel *Cornwallis West* do prepare, and bring it in.

Colonel *Saunderson* presented a Bill for the better Regulation of certain Articles of Linen Manufacture woven upon Handlooms: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed. **Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill. Bill 175.**

Mr. *Macartney* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Land held in Perpetuity at variable Rents in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed. **Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill. Bill 176.**

Mr. *Jasper More* presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Corn Returns: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed. **Corn Returns Bill. Bill 177.**

Mr. *Isaacson* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Election of Coroners: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 30th day of this instant March; and to be printed. **Coroners' Elections Bill. Bill 178.**

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the years ending on the 31st day of March 1887 and 1888, the Sum of £. 114,900 7s. 4d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £. 11,704,603 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a reduced Sum of £. 11,703,603 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to. Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Debt Conversion Bill; **National Debt (Conversion) Bill.**

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "having regard to great loss and injury sustained by the very large number of persons who hold small amounts of stock, the interest on which is proposed to be reduced, and to the small annual reduction in the public burdens effected by the proposed conversion, this

"this House thinks it inexpedient to make the change proposed," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment, was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next, at Two of the clock.

Supply [16th March.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Navy (Sea and Coast Guard Services.)

1. That 62,400 Men and Boys be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, including 12,900 Royal Marines.

Seamen and Marines (Wages, &c.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,112,700, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c., to Officers, Seamen and Boys, Coast Guard and Royal Marines, and the Half-Pay of Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,614,903, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charge for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, viz. :—

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

Great Britain:—

	£.
Royal Palaces - - - - -	5,000
Marlborough House - - - - -	500
Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens - - - - -	12,000
Houses of Parliament - - - - -	6,000
Gordon Monument - - - - -	—
Public Buildings - - - - -	20,000
Admiralty, Extension of Buildings - - - - -	800
Furniture of Public Offices - - - - -	3,000
Revenue Department Buildings - - - - -	35,000
County Court Buildings - - - - -	5,000
Metropolitan Police Courts - - - - -	3,000
Sheriff Court Houses, Scotland - - - - -	5,000
Surveys of the United Kingdom - - - - -	40,000
Science and Art Department Buildings - - - - -	2,000
British Museum Buildings - - - - -	2,000
Edinburgh University Buildings - - - - -	—
Diplomatic and Consular Buildings - - - - -	3,000
Harbours, &c., under Board of Trade - - - - -	2,000
Lighthouses Abroad - - - - -	1,000
Peterhead Harbour - - - - -	1,000
Rates on Government Property (Great Britain and Ireland) - - - - -	80,000
Metropolitan Fire Brigade - - - - -	2,500
Disturnpiked and Main Roads (England and Wales) - - - - -	10,000
Disturnpiked Roads, Scotland - - - - -	5,000

Ireland:—

Public Buildings - - - - -	35,000
Science and Art Buildings, Dublin - - - - -	7,000

CLASS II.

England:—

House of Lords, Offices - - - - -	6,000
House of Commons, Offices - - - - -	6,000
Treasury, including Parliamentary Counsel - - - - -	10,000
Home Office and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	15,000
Foreign Office - - - - -	10,000
Colonial Office - - - - -	6,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	7,000
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	20,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade - - - - -	3
Charity Commission (including Endowed Schools Department) - - - - -	6,000
Civil Service Commission - - - - -	9,000
Exchequer and Audit Department - - - - -	9,000
Friendly Societies, Registry - - - - -	1,500
Land Commission for England - - - - -	2,000
Local Government Board - - - - -	40,000
Lunacy Commission - - - - -	2,000

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Mint (including Coinage) - - - - -	20,000
National Debt Office - - - - -	2,500
Patent Office - - - - -	9,000
Paymaster General's Office - - - - -	4,500
Public Works Loan Commission - - - - -	1,500
Record Office - - - - -	4,000
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	8,000
Stationery Office and Printing - - - - -	70,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of - - - - -	6,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of - - - - -	8,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid - - - - -	15,000
Secret Service - - - - -	8,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for Scotland - - - - -	2,000
Exchequer and other Offices - - - - -	500
Fishery Board - - - - -	3,000
Lunacy Commission - - - - -	1,000
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	1,000
Board of Supervision - - - - -	3,000

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household - - - - -	1,000
Chief Secretary's Office - - - - -	6,500
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office - - - - -	800
Local Government Board - - - - -	15,000
Public Works Office - - - - -	10,000
Record Office - - - - -	1,000
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	3,500
Valuation and Boundary Survey - - - - -	4,500

CLASS III.

England:—

Law Charges - - - - -	12,000
Criminal Prosecutions - - - - -	30,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - - - -	65,000
Wreck Commission - - - - -	2,000
County Courts - - - - -	20,000
Land Registry - - - - -	1,000
Revising Barristers, England - - - - -	—
Police Courts (London and Sheerness) - - - - -	3,000
Metropolitan Police - - - - -	125,000
Special Police - - - - -	9,000
County and Borough Police, Great Britain - - - - -	1,000
Prisons, England and the Colonies - - - - -	120,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Great Britain - - - - -	80,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - - - -	6,000

Scotland:—

Lord Advocate and Criminal Proceedings - - - - -	10,000
Courts of Law and Justice - - - - -	5,000
Register House Departments - - - - -	6,000
Crofters' Commission - - - - -	1,000
Police, Counties and Burghs (Scotland) - - - - -	1,000
Prisons, Scotland - - - - -	15,000

Ireland:—

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions - - - - -	15,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - - - -	12,000
Court of Bankruptcy - - - - -	1,500
Admiralty Court Registry - - - - -	200
Registry of Deeds - - - - -	3,000
Registry of Judgments - - - - -	400
Land Commission - - - - -	20,000
County Court Officers, &c. - - - - -	18,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police (including Police Courts) - - - - -	30,000
Constabulary - - - - -	250,000
Prisons, Ireland - - - - -	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools - - - - -	25,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - - - -	1,500

CLASS IV.

England:—

Public Education - - - - -	640,000
Science and Art Department - - - - -	40,000
British Museum - - - - -	25,000
National Gallery - - - - -	2,500
National Portrait Gallery - - - - -	400
Learned Societies, &c. - - - - -	6,500
London University - - - - -	2,000
Universities and Colleges, Grants in Aid - - - - -	1,000
Deep Sea Exploring Expedition (Report) - - - - -	500

Scotland:—

Public Education - - - - -	140,000
Universities, &c. - - - - -	2,000
National Gallery - - - - -	400

Ireland:—

Public Education - - - - -	200,000
Teachers' Pension Office - - - - -	500
Endowed Schools Commissioners - - - - -	200
National Gallery - - - - -	300
Queen's Colleges - - - - -	500
Royal Irish Academy - - - - -	100

CLASS V.		£.
Diplomatic Services - - - -	-	50,000
Consular Services - - - -	-	40,000
Slave Trade Services - - - -	-	4,000
Suez Canal (British Directors) - - - -	-	400
Colonies, Grants in Aid - - - -	-	8,000
South Africa and Saint Helena - - - -	-	8,000
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies - - - -	-	14,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid - - - -	-	—

CLASS VI.		£.
Superannuation and Retired Allowances -	120,000	
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c. -	1,000	
Pauper Lunatics, England - - - -	—	
Pauper Lunatics, Scotland - - - -	—	
Pauper Lunatics, Ireland - - - -	60,000	
Hospitals and Infirmarys, Ireland - - - -	3,000	
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency - - - -	—	
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Great Britain - - - -	500	
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Ireland - - - -	600	

CLASS VII.		£.
Temporary Commissions - - - -	8,000	
Miscellaneous Expenses - - - -	4,000	
Public Works and Industries, Ireland - - - -	6,000	
Repayment of Kilmuck and Kilmuck Railway Deposit - - - -	3,300	

Total for Civil Services - £. 2,944,903

Revenue Departments.		£.
Customs - - - -	100,000	
Inland Revenue - - - -	100,000	
Post Office - - - -	100,000	
Post Office Packet Service - - - -	20,000	
Post Office Telegraphs - - - -	350,000	

Total for Revenue Departments - £. 670,000

Grand Total - £. 3,614,903

Civil Services
(Excesses.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,309 7 s. 4 d. be granted to Her Majesty, to make good Excesses on certain Grants for Civil Services, for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1887, viz. :—

CLASS II.		£. s. d.
House of Lords, Offices - - - -	48 14 10	

CLASS III.		£. s. d.
County Courts - - - -	3,260 12 6	
Total - - - -	£. 3,309 7 4	

The First and Second Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Third Resolution, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned till this day.

Oaths Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March, on the Oaths Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Coal, Cinders, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Quantities of Coals, Cinders, and Patent Fuel shipped at the several Ports of England, Scotland and Ireland, Coastways, to other Ports of the United Kingdom, in the

year 1887:—Of the Quantities and Declared Value of Coals, Cinders, and Patent Fuel exported from the several Ports of England, Scotland, and Ireland, to Foreign Countries and the British Settlements Abroad in the year 1887, distinguishing the Countries to which the same were sent:—Of the Quantities of Coals, Cinders, and Patent Fuel exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1887:—Of the Quantities of Coals and Patent Fuel brought Coastways, by Inland Navigation, and by Railway, into the Port of London during the year 1887:—And, of the Quantities of Coal and Patent Fuel received Coastways at the various Ports of the United Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have appointed a Committee, to consist of Six Lords, to join with a Committee of the Commons (pursuant to a Message of this House), to examine into the present system of Private Bill Legislation, and to report how far and in what manner, without prejudice to public interests, that system may be modified with a view to the interests of suitors, the economy of the time of Parliament, and the reduction of costs and charges.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend Lloyd's Act, 1871; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lloyd's Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House disapproves the acceptance by a Minister of the Crown, holding the office of Judge Advocate General, of the duties of professional advocate to the ex-Khedive Ismail in the prosecution of a hostile claim against the Egyptian Government, as contrary to Constitutional usage and precedent, as liable to serious misconstruction Abroad and at Home, and as calculated to introduce undesirable complications into our relations with Foreign and friendly countries," instead thereof.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 17th March, 1888:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 218.

Tellers for the Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } 126.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

The

Supply [15th
March.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed, this day, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,614,903, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charge for the Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889 ;

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

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

Then the Resolution,—

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,309 7 s. 4 d., be granted to Her Majesty, to make good Excesses on certain Grants for Civil Services, for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1887, viz. :

	CLASS II.	£. s. d.
House of Lords, Offices - - -	- - -	48 14 10
	CLASS III.	
County Courts - - -	- - -	3,260 12 6
Total - - -	- - -	£. 3,309 7 4

being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Resolution which, upon the 9th day of this instant March, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then agreed to by the House, be now read: And the same was read, as followeth :

That a Number of Land Forces, not exceeding 149,667, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland* at Home and Abroad, excluding Her Majesty's *Indian Possessions*, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Army
(Annual.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide, during Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And that Mr. Secretary *Stanhope*, Lord *George Hamilton*, the Judge Advocate General, and Mr. *Brodrick* do prepare, and bring it in.

Army (Annual)
Bill.

Bill 179.

Mr. *Brodrick* accordingly presented a Bill to provide, during Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

East India
(Purchase and
Construction
of Railways)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *East India* (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill;

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

And it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 19th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Clifton Suspension
Bridge
Bill.

Mr. *Wodehouse* reported from the Committee on the *Clifton Suspension Bridge* Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board had been considered by the Committee, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. *Wodehouse* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz. :

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has not been complied with, viz. :

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Order made upon the 14th day of February last, That the *Taff Vale* Railway (*Monmouthshire Lines*) Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the *South Indian Railway Bill* be read the third time To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The *Barry Dock and Railways* (Railway Extension) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The *Keeble College* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on *Aberdeen District Tramways Bill* [Repayment of Deposit].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the re-payment of the Sum of One thousand five hundred pounds, being the Sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The *Aberdeen District Tramways Extension Act, 1878*," which, in pursuance of Section Six of that Act, is now forfeited, or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Brixton Park Bill*, That they do provide that the purchase of the Park be not made until the opinion of the ratepayers of *Lambeth* has been taken on the desirability of such purchase, and that they do take evidence as to the price demanded, the maintenance of houses on any part of the site, and other matters affecting the property as a place of recreation, and do report thereon to the House;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the second word "purchase," to the end of the Question.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

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Then

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Brixton Park Bill*, That they do provide that the purchase of the Park be not made until the opinion of the ratepayers of *Lambeth* has been taken on the desirability of such purchase.

Stockton and
Middlesbrough
Corporations
Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committees on the *Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill* in Session 1876, and the *Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill* in Session 1884, be referred to the Committee on the *Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill*.

Eastern and
Midlands
Railway
(Further
Powers) Bill
[Repayment
of Deposits.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the re-payment, subject to the provisions with respect to compensation to landowners and other persons injured, and for the protection of creditors contained in the several Acts hereafter mentioned, of the following Sums of Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, which, in pursuance of the said Acts, are now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon respectively:

One thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine pounds eight shillings and nine-pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880*";

Two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 19 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1882*";

Seven hundred and eighty-six pounds Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880*";

Three thousand two hundred and seven pounds nineteen shillings and eight-pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 29 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1881*";

Mr. Secretary *Matthews*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

City of London
(Fire Inquests)
Bill.

Mr. *Elton*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Murphy*, Sir *George Russell*, and Mr. *Woodall* were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the *City of London (Fire Inquests) Bill*.

Uxbridge and
Rickmansworth
Railway
Bill.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Wrexham and
Ellesmere
Railway Bill.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in

the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same in order to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and, made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *Draycott Gas Bill*, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Uckfield Water Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained, as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. *Courtney* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Folkestone Water Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. *Courtney* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by altering the recital relating to the parish of *Cheriton* in order to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.
—
Vide Sixth
Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *West Indian Revenue*, which was presented upon the 9th day of February last, be printed.

West Indian
Revenue.
No. 90.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—General Abstract of the Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in *England* in the year 1887.

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

Lord *George Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to the Navy (Men employed in Dockyards).

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

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendix to the Second Report of the Royal Commission on *Irish Public Works* (Minutes of Proceedings, Evidence, and Index).

Irish Public
Works (Royal
Commission.)

Ordered,

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

Accumulations Bill. The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Accumulations Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of April next.

Limited Owners (Scotland) Bill. The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Limited Owners (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of April next.

Halifax Corporation Water Bill. Mr. Charles Acland reported from the Committee on the Halifax Corporation Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill had been referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the Recommendations in that Report have been dealt with is set forth in Appendix (B).

Mr. Charles Acland further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Glebe Lands. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Sale of Glebe Lands: And that Mr. Secretary Stanhope, Mr. Raihes, and Mr. Stuart Wortley do prepare, and bring it in.

Glebe Lands Bill. Mr. Secretary Stanhope accordingly presented a Bill to facilitate the Sale of Glebe Lands: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Ways and Means. Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Consolidated Fund. 1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the years ending on the 31st day of March 1887 and 1888, the Sum of £. 114,900 7 s. 4 d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Consolidated Fund. 2. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £. 11,704,603 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1.) *Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill. Mr. Jackson accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the years ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Local Government (England and Wales) Electors. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Qualification and Registration of Electors for the purposes of Local Government in England and Wales: And that Mr. Ritchie, Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Matthews, and Mr. Long do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Local Government in England and Wales, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. Ritchie, Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Matthews, and Mr. Long do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Ritchie presented a Bill to provide for the Qualification and Registration of Electors for the purposes of Local Government in England and Wales: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Ritchie presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Local Government in England and Wales, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of April next; and to be printed.

The Select Committee on Sunday Closing Acts (Ireland) was nominated of Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland, Mr. William Johnston, Mr. Agg-Gardner, Mr. Gent-Davis, Mr. Muntz, Mr. Rowntree, Mr. Jacoby, Mr. Theodore Fry, Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Lea, Mr. T. W. Russell, Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Tuite, Mr. Biggar, and Mr. Peter Macdonald; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.

A Clause added.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question put, That it is expedient to make regulations for the Office of Under Secretary and of Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 159.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Dillon, } 103.
Noes, { Mr. Haldane: }

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report these Resolutions [of this day and of the 9th day of this instant March] to the House;

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman rose to interrupt the Business;

Tuesday, 20th March, 1888:

Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.) Whereupon Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

Question put accordingly, "That the Question be now put;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 146.
Yeas, { Colonel Waltrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Deasy, } 86.
Noes, { Mr. Donal Sullivan: }

Question put, That the Chairman do report these Resolutions [of this day and of the 9th day of this instant March] to the House;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 144.
Yeas, { Colonel Waltrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. W. M'Laren, } 86.
Noes, { Mr. Henry Wilson: }

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day, at Two of the clock.

Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill;

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

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill;

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

Westminster Abbey Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Westminster Abbey Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Army (Annual) Bill. The Army (Annual) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Parish Vestries Reform Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Vestries Reform Bill;

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

Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill;

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

University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant March, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

The

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Navy
Estimates.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Navy Estimates do consist of Seventeen Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Lord George Hamilton, Mr. Forwood, Mr. Hanbury, Mr. J. M. Maclean, Colonel Hill, Mr. Coddington, Admiral Mayne, Lord Charles Beresford, Mr. Caine, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Campbell-Bannerman, Mr. Duff, Sir Edward Reed, Sir William Plowden, Sir Edward Grey, Dr. Tanner, and Mr. Crilly; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Steam Boilers
Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday the 3rd day of April next, the Steam Boilers Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 20th March, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Sale of Liquors
on Sunday
(Ireland)
Act (1878)
Amendment
Bill.

THE House being informed, That the Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin attended at the door, he was called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Dublin:—And then he withdrew.

And the said Petition, praying the House not to pass either or any of the Bills now before Parliament for the renewal, amendment, and extension of the Sale of Liquors on Sundays (Ireland) Act, 1878, or for the Earlier Closing of Public Houses on Saturdays in Ireland, was read; and ordered to do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 62 com-
plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire (New Railways) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills
[Lords] (No
Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Lloyd's Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

South Indian
Railway Bill.

The South Indian Railway Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

Battersea
Vestry (Parish
Lands) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of April next.

Mr. Dodds reported from the Committee on the Aberdeen District Tramways Bill [Repayment of Deposit], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorize the repayment of the Sum of One thousand five hundred pounds, being the Sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The Aberdeen District Tramways Extension Act, 1878," which, in pursuance of Section Six of that Act, is now forfeited, or liable to be forfeited, together with any Interest or Dividends thereon.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Aberdeen District Tramways Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill [Repayment of Deposits].

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorize the repayment, subject to the provisions with respect to compensation to landowners and other persons injured, and for the protection of creditors contained in the several Acts hereafter mentioned, of the following Sums of Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, which in pursuance of the said Acts are now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any Interest or Dividends thereon respectively:—

One thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine pounds eight shillings and ninepence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of "The Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880;"

Two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 19 of "The Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1882;"

Seven hundred and eighty-six pounds Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of "The Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880;"

Three thousand two hundred and seven pounds nineteen shillings and eightpence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 29 of "The Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1881."

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of authorizing the repayment, subject to the provisions of Section 40 of "The Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill [Repayment of Deposit]," relating to compensation to landowners or other persons and to the protection of creditors, of the Sum of Nine thousand five hundred and seventy-seven pounds seven shillings and sixpence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, which in pursuance of the said Act are now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

Mr. Raihes, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted

quainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

Barnstaple
Water Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Barnstaple Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Kent Water
Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Kent Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by altering the recital as to the authorised Share and Loan Capital of the Company, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Public
Petitions.

Vide Sixth
Report.
Malta.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of further Papers relating to the Constitution and Administration of Malta (in continuation of [C. 5308] February 1888).

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

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 276.

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

Forth Bridge
Railway.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twentieth Quarterly Report of Inspection, by Major General Hutchinson, R.E., and Major Marindin, C.M.G., R.E., of the Works in progress for the Construction of the Bridge over the River Forth.

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

Education
(Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First and Second Reports of the Committee appointed to inquire into certain questions relating to Education in Scotland, with Appendix.

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

Honiton Lace
Industry.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be gra-

ciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report of Mr. Alan Cole, Commissioner from the South Kensington Museum, on the present Condition and Prospects of the Honiton Lace Industry.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Public to provide Facilities for the Performance of Worship Facilities. And that Mr. Salt, Baron Dimsdale, Mr. Morrison, and Mr. Whitmore do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Public Health to amend "The Public Health Act, 1875," so as (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) to make further Provision for the Prevention of Infectious Diseases, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Hastings, Dr. Farquharson, Mr. Francis Powell, Mr. Wharton, and Mr. Hardcastle do prepare, and bring it in.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Select Committee on Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners) do consist (Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners)) of Seventeen Members;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "Seventeen," in order to insert the word "Nineteen."

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

And the Question being put, That the word "Nineteen" be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners) do consist of Nineteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Bartley, Mr. Bradlaugh, Captain Colomb, Baron Henry De Worms, Mr. Ferguson, Dr. Fox, Mr. Heneage, Sir U. Kay-Shuttleworth, Mr. William Lowther, The Judge Advocate General, Mr. Montagu, Sir William Pearce, Baron De Rothschild, Mr. Seton-Karr, Mr. Samuel Smith, Mr. John Talbot, and Dr. Tanner; with Power to send for persons papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Clerks of the Peace. to amend the Law relating to Clerks of the Peace: And that Mr. Brunner, Mr. Tatton Egerton, Captain Cotton, and Mr. Walter M'Laren do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Salt presented a Bill to provide Facilities Public for the Performance of Public Worship: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of April next; and to be printed. Bill 183.

Mr. Hastings presented a Bill to amend "The Public Health Act, 1875," so as to make further (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Provision for the Prevention of Infectious Diseases, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed. Bill 184.

Mr. Brunner presented a Bill to amend the Clerks of the Law relating to Clerks of the Peace: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed. Bill 185.

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That,

United States
and South
American
Investment
Trust Com-
pany.

Alabama Great
Southern
Railway.

Midland Rail-
way Bill.

1. That, in the case of the United States and South American Investment Trust Company Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That, in the case of the Alabama Great Southern Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. That, in the case of the Midland Railway Bill, Petition of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal Company for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of their amended Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Alabama Great
Southern
Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision with reference to the Arrears of Dividend on the Preference Shares in the Capital of the Alabama Great Southern Railway Company, Limited: And that Mr. Kimber and Mr. Aird do prepare, and bring it in.

United States
and South
American
Investment
Trust Com-
pany.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the United States and South American Investment Trust Company Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Alteration and Amendment of the Memorandum of Association of the United States and South American Investment Trust Company, Limited, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Dillwyn and Mr. Warmington do prepare, and bring it in.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The Pharmacy Act, 1852," "The Pharmacy Act, 1868," and "The Pharmacy Act (1868) Amendment Act, 1869"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Regulation of Railway and Canal Traffic, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Assam Com-
pany Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Reduction of the Nominal Capital of the Assam Company, and to enable the Company to raise Money by Mortgage; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Consolidated
Fund (No. 1)
Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

National Debt
(Conversion)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Debt (Conversion) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No 1 (Conversion of Three per Cent. Stock and redemption of dissentient stockholders).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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CLAUSE, No 2 (Denomination and incidents of New Stock).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 12, to leave out from the word "called" to the word "stock," in l. 15, in order to insert the words "Consolidated Two and Three-quarter Pounds per Cent. Annuities, until the fifth day of April One thousand nine hundred and three, and there- after shall be called Consolidated Two and a-half Pounds per Cent. Annuities."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 3 (Mode of signifying dissent).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 30, to leave out Sub-section 3.

Question proposed, That Sub-section 3 stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 4, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 5 (Dissent by executors, trustees, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, after the word "stock," to insert the words "or any Consolidated Three per Cent. Stock, or any Reduced Three per Cent. Stock."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted — put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 6 (Funds in Court).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in pp. 4 and 5, to leave out Sub-section 2.

Question proposed, That the words "The High Courts and the Courts of Session respectively, may" stand part of the Clause — put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, No 7 and No 8, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 9 (Power of Court, trustees, &c. in relation to exchange of Stock).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 14, to leave out from the word "payable," to the word "or," in line 15.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 25, to leave out the words "an exchange thereof in pursuance of," in order to insert the words "the dissents and assents authorised by."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 28, after the word "belongs," to insert the words "Provided that the Treasury may make regulations whereby the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales may, on behalf of the trustees or persons acting in the administration of the Charity to which any such Stock belongs, consent to the exchange thereof unless dissent from such exchange is signified within the time and in the manner fixed by the regulations."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 10 (Provision of funds for facilitating conversion).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 18,

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to

to leave out from the word "exchange," to the end of the Clause.

Question put, That the words "and may also, "if they think fit, authorise the Bank to pay, "in respect of Stock so surrendered, an allowance," stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 244.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 127.
Noes,	Mr. Cyril Flower:	

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, added.

CLAUSES, N° 11 to N° 17, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 18, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 19, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 20, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 21, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 22, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 23 to N° 25, agreed to.

Seven Clauses added.

Another Clause (Treasury may, if they think fit, authorise Bank to pay allowance to agent)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time—put, and negatived.

Another Clause (When any Stock is held by any person upon trust to secure the payment of a fixed income, the holder of the Stock shall be authorised to invest the proceeds thereof in any of the securities from time to time permitted by the High Court of Justice for the investment of trust funds, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the instrument creating or regulating the trust)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed, to leave out the words "is held by any person upon trust to secure the "payment of a fixed income, the holder of the "stock," in order to insert the words "liable to "be converted or exchanged by this Act into "New Stock, is held by a trustee, such trustee."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to, and added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

East India
(Purchase and
Construction
of Railways)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *East India* (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Parliamentary
Under Secre-
tary to the
Lord Lieu-
tenant of
Ireland [Salary,
&c.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Burials Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Burials Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of May next.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Registration of Firms Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the imposition of certain Duties of Customs on Spirits imported into the *Isle of Man*.

Mr. Mount reported the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for further promoting the Revision of the Statute Law by repealing superfluous expressions of Enactment, and Enactments which have ceased to be in force or have become unnecessary; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The *Buenos Ayres and Ensenada* Port Railway Company's Act, 1884," and to make further provision with reference to the Company's Capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House regrets that the Chief Commissioner of Metropolitan Police should, in an official Memorandum read to his subordinates, have reflected on the administration of the Law by Mr. Ernest Baggallay, one of the Stipendiary Magistrates of the Metropolis, and is of opinion that such a course must tend to produce a most prejudicial effect, by weakening the authority of the Magistrate over the Police within his jurisdiction;

Whereupon Mr. Secretary Matthews moved the Previous Question.

Mr. Speaker, on rising to propose that Question, addressed the House, as followeth:

The Right honourable Gentleman proposes to move the Previous Question. If I were to propose that Question in the customary form, the terms of the Motion would be "That the Question be now put," words which are almost identical with the words of the Motion for the Closure of a Debate. Moreover, hitherto, when a Member moves the Previous Question, he votes against his own Motion. I therefore think that the present occasion affords a good opportunity for establishing a precedent. I therefore propose, if I should obtain the full sanction of the House to my suggestion, to adopt instead of the present form of the Previous Question, the words "That the Question be not now put."

And, the general assent of the House being signified;

And the Question being proposed, "That the Question be not now put";

The said Motion for Previous Question and original Motion, were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

Registration of
Firms Bill.

Customs,
Isle of Man.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works

(Various
Powers) Bill.

Message from
the Lords.

Statute Law
Revision Bill
[Lords.]

Buenos Ayres
and Ensenada
Port Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Sir Charles
Warren,
Memorandum
of (Mr.
Baggallay.)

Previous
Question (Mr.
Speaker's
decision.)

Wednesday, 21st March, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill,

MR. Wodehouse reported from the Committee on the *Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill*; That Reports of the Home Office and the Local Government Board relative to the Bill were referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations in those Reports has been dealt with by the Committee is set forth in Appendices (A) and (B) respectively.

Mr. Wodehouse further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Private Bills (Group B.)

Mr. Mount reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of the parties, the Committee had adjourned till Friday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

West Surrey Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *West Surrey Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill.

The *Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Fylde Water Bill [Lords.]

The *Fylde Water Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways (Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways (Arbitration) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of April next.

South Eastern Railway Bill.

The *South Eastern Railway Bill* was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Sutton and Wimbledon Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Sutton and Wimbledon Railway Bill*;

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

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill [Repayment of Deposits.]

Mr. Dodds reported from the Committee on the *Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill* [Repayment of Deposits]; a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the repayment, subject to the provisions with respect to compensation to landowners and other persons injured, and for the protection of creditors contained in the several Acts hereafter mentioned, of the following Sums of Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, which in pursuance of the said Acts are now forfeited, or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon respectively:—

One thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine pounds eight shillings and nine pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880*";

Two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum*

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Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 19 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1882*";

Seven hundred and eighty-six pounds Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880*";

Three thousand two hundred and seven pounds nineteen shillings and eight pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 29 of "The *Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1881*."

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill*, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill* [Repayment of Deposit].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the repayment, subject to the provisions of Section 40 of "The *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Act, 1882*," relating to compensation to landowners or other persons and to the protection of creditors, of the sum of Nine thousand five hundred and seventy-seven pounds seven shillings and six pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, which in pursuance of the said Act are now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The *Assam Company Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Seventh Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Navy (Men employed in Dockyards), which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant March, be printed.

Navy (Men Employed in Dockyards.) No. 91.

The Statute Law Revision Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords.] Bill 186.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the *Industrial Agricultural Education Bill*, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Sir Richard Paget reported from the Committee on Group 3 of *Railway Bills*; That the Parties promoting the *Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extensions) Bill* had stated that the evidence

Railway Bills (Group 3.)

evidence of *Arthur George Russell* was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Arthur George Russell* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *Arthur George Russell* do attend the Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Orders of the Day.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Consolidated Fund Bill (No. 1), and the Consideration of the National Debt (Conversion) Bill, as amended, have precedence of the Orders of the Day subsequent to the Land Law (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill; and that so much of the Standing Order, "Sittings of the House," as relates to the Interruption of Business, and the Adjournment of the House at half past Five, and at Six o'clock, be suspended during To-day's Sitting, until the proceedings on the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill, and the National Debt (Conversion) Bill, are concluded.

Part of S.O. suspended.

Land Law (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "no Bill providing for a composition of Arrears of Rent in Ireland will be satisfactory to this House, and effectual for the Relief of the Tenants, which does not at the same time deal with their Debts to other Creditors besides the Landlords."

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Arnold Morley*, } 243.

Yeas, { *Mr. Cyril Flower*, }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Powell Williams*, } 328.

Noes, { *Viscount Ebrington*, }

So it passed in the Negative.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Powell Williams*, } 320.

Yeas, { *Viscount Ebrington*, }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Arnold Morley*, } 230.

Noes, { *Mr. Cyril Flower*, }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That no Bill providing for a composition of Arrears of Rent in Ireland will be satisfactory to this House, and effectual for the Relief of the Tenants, which does not, at the same time, deal with their Debts to other Creditors besides the Landlords.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the National Debt (Conversion) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of a new Clause.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That they have Power to consider a Clause to empower Trustees to invest the Proceeds of Funds converted or exchanged under the Bill in certain other Securities:—The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Re-investment by Trustees)—brought up, and read the first and second time; agreed to, and added.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had added a new Clause to the Bill (Re-investment by Trustees).

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration, and Amendments were made to the Bill.

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

And it being twenty-five minutes after Six of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put.

Thursday, 22nd March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Orders Nos. 62 and 63 have been complied with, viz.:

Belfast Street Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, viz.:

London Tramways (Various Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The *London, Chatham and Dover Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

MR. Dodds reported from the Committee on the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill* (Repayment of Deposit), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That [Repayment of Deposit.]

That it is expedient to authorise the repayment, subject to the Provisions of Section 40 of "The Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Act, 1882," relating to compensation to landowners or other persons and to the protection of creditors, of the sum of Nine thousand five hundred and seventy-seven pounds seven shillings and six pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, which in pursuance of the said Act are now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay* Railway Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill.

A Bill to make provision with reference to the Arrears of Dividend on the Preference Shares in the Capital of the *Alabama Great Southern Railway Company, Limited*, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

United States and South American Investment Trust Company Bill.

A Bill for the Alteration and Amendment of the Memorandum of Association of the United States and *South American Investment Trust Company, Limited*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill [Repayment of Deposit.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the repayment of the Sum of Six hundred pounds, being the Sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The *Ayr and District Tramways Act, 1884*," which, in pursuance of Section Twenty-eight of that Act is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon;

Lord *Arthur Hill*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

Public Petitions (Sixth Report.)

Sir *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 14th, 15th, 16th, 19th and 20th days of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Public Petitions. Vide Seventh Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Carriage Taxes in European Countries (Miscellaneous, No. 1, 1888.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of all Local and Imperial Taxes imposed on Carriages in the various *European Countries*.

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

Railway Rates, &c. (United States of America.)

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Act to regulate Commerce, approved on the 4th February 1887, together with the First Annual Report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, dated 1st December 1887.

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

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Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Agricultural Department, Privy Council Office, on the Contagious Diseases, Inspection and Transit of Animals, for the year 1887, with an Appendix.

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

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports on the *Elberfeld Law System*, Poor Law System and *German Workmen's Colonies*.

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

Sir *William Hart Dyke* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of School Boards and School Attendance Committees in *England and Wales*, 1st April 1888.

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

Mr. *Woodall* reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board as to Clause 21, "Restriction on displacing persons of labouring class," was laid before the Committee, and the recommendations contained in that Report have been adopted by the Committee.

Mr. *Woodall* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the paragraph with reference to authorising Agreements with other Railway Companies, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Bankruptcy (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of April next.

Mr. *Charles Acland* reported from the Committee on the *Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill had been referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations in that Report had been dealt with is set forth in Appendix (B.)

Mr. *Charles Acland* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Abandonment of the *Isle of Axholme Railway*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *Hinckley Local Board* to construct Waterworks for the Supply of Water to their District and to Parishes near thereto, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the construction by the Corporation of *Blackburn* of new Tramways; a new

Street and Street Improvements; and to extend the Time for Construction of the authorised Tramways, and for the Abandonment of a portion of the authorised Tramways, and for other purposes connected with the Tramways Undertaking of the Corporation of *Blackburn*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment Bill) [Lords.]

The *Isle of Axholme* Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Hinckley Local Board Water Bill [Lords.]

The *Hinckley* Local Board Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The *Blackburn* Corporation Tramways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

National Debt (Conversion) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the National Debt (Conversion) Bill;

Mr. *William Henry Smith*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of the Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. *William Henry Smith*, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out all the words from the words "Bill be" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of a new Clause."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with verbal Amendments.

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

Criminal Evidence Bill.

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

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is inexpedient to make any further change in the Criminal Law until a Court of Appeal in Criminal Cases is established, and that this House is not prepared to extend to *Ireland* a measure which would confer

"on removable magistrates the power to cross-examine prisoners deprived of the protection of a jury," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. *William Henry Smith* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

And the Question being put accordingly, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 160.
Colonel *Walrond*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Parnell*, } 111.
Mr. *Chance*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 173.
Colonel *Walrond*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Carew*, } 119.
Mr. *Biggar*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 231.
Colonel *Walrond*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Carew*, } 92.
Mr. *Biggar*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, upon Thursday the 12th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "12th day of April," and inserting the words "3rd day of May," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "12th day of April" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 198.
Colonel *Walrond*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Carew*, } 130.
Mr. *Biggar*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 12th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* [Salary, &c.];

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

The Statute Law Revision Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tomorrow.

The Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 12th day of April next.

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Army (Annual) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army (Annual) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Westminster Abbey Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster Abbey* Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; *Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *East India* (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Customs, Isle of Man. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Customs, *Isle of Man*.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That in lieu of the Duties of Customs now charged on Rum and on *British* and *Irish* Spirits imported into the *Isle of Man*, there shall be charged the Duties following (that is to say):—

Rum, including Shrub, of the <i>British</i> Possessions, the gallon	£	s.	d.
		8	6
<i>British</i> and <i>Irish</i> Spirits, not otherwise exempted from the payment of Duty, the gallon		8	6

Objection taken; and, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply. *Resolved*, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

County Courts Consolidation Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Consolidation Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Burgh Police and Health (Scotland)* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; *Resolved*, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Timber Acts (Ireland)* Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; *Ordered*, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant March, That the *Trawling (Scotland)* Bill be now read a second time; *Ordered*, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Sheriff Courts (Scotland)* Extracts Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Small Debts (Scotland)* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Registration of Firms* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Deacons (Church of England)* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish)* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *School Board for London* Election Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Public Trustee* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Foreshore and Fishery Rights* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 30th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Borough Funds* Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Arrears of Rent)* Bill; *Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged. *Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mining Leases
(Cornwall and
Devon) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Mining Leases (*Cornwall and Devon*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 18th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Municipal
Rates Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

Fishing in
Rivers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fishing in Rivers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Solicitors
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

County Courts
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of April next.

Vexatious
Indictments
(Amendment)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vexatious Indictments (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of April next.

Personal
Property
(Exemption)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill;

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

Jurors'
Detention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill;

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

Trees (Ireland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

London Coal
and Wine
Duties Continuance
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Steam Engines
and Boilers
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Engines and Boilers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

Crofters' Holdings
(Scotland)
Act (1886)
Amendment
(No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

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

Intestates
Estates Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intestates Estates Bill;

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

Occupiers Dis-
qualification
Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant March, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 5th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Winchester* Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to organise and promote Secondary Education in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Preston Bruce*, Mr. *James Campbell*, Mr. *Craig Sellar*, Mr. *Huldane*, and Mr. *Esslemont* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law as to Reports of Proceedings in Courts of Law: And that Mr. *Lockwood*, Mr. *Robert Reid*, Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. *Samuel Smith*, Mr. *Asquith*, and Mr. *Hubbard* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cremier* and Mr. *Samuel Hoare* be added to the Select Committee on Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners).

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Roads and Bridges (*Scotland*) Act, 1878": And that Mr. *J. B. Balfour*, Mr. *Craig Sellar*, and Sir *Archibald Campbell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. *Preston Bruce* presented a Bill to organise and promote Secondary Education in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

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Leonard's-on-Sea and Bexhill, in the County of *Sussex*.

Mr. *Courtney* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting recitals explanatory of the additional provision, and otherwise to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Riddings District Gas Bill.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Riddings District Gas Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case, as submitted to them.

Mr. *Courtney* further reported from the Committee on the *Riddings District Gas Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Newhaven Harbour Bill.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Newhaven Harbour Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting a recital as to the extension of time for the works authorised under the Act of 1878, by the *Newhaven Harbour Amendment Act, 1882*, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as considered and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Committee of Selection (Standing Committees) (Special Report.)

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir *John Mowbray* accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on the Standing Committee for the consideration of all Bills relating to Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to such Standing Committee:—Mr. *Tyssen Amherst*, Mr. *Asquith*, Sir *G. Baden-Powell*, Mr. *J. B. Balfour*, Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Beach*, Mr. *Beadel*, Mr. *William Beckett*, Mr. *George Cavendish Bentinck*, Mr. *Bradlaugh*, Mr. *Jacob Bright*, Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. *Burdett-Coutts*, Sir *George Campbell*, Mr. *Jesse Collings*, Mr. *Commins*, Mr. *Curzon*, Colonel *Dawson*, Mr. *Dilwyn*, Sir *John Dorington*, Colonel *Duncan*, Viscount *Ebrington*, Mr. *Arthur Elliot*, Mr. *John E. Ellis*, Mr. *Elton*, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Mr. *Finlay*, Mr. *Henry H. Fowler*, Mr. *Gardner*, Mr. *Herbert Gladstone*, Lord *Claud Hamilton*, Sir *William Vernon Harcourt*, Mr. *T. M. Healy*, Mr. *Staveley Hill*, Mr. *Samuel Hoare*, Mr. *Hobhouse*, Mr. *Atherley-Jones*, Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth*, Mr. *Kenyon*, Mr. *Compton Lawrance*, Sir *Charles Lewis*, Mr. *Lockwood*, Mr. *J. H. A. Macdonald*, Mr. *Frederic Maclean*, Mr. *Swift Mac Neill*, Mr. *Solicitor General for Ireland*, Mr. *Mahony*, Mr. *Marum*, Mr. *Story-Maskelyne*, Mr. *Secretary Matthews*, Mr. *John Morley*, Mr. *William O'Brien*, Mr. *Pickard*, Mr. *Picton*, Sir *John Puleston*, Mr. *John E. Redmond*, Mr. *Russell*,

Sir *Charles Russell*, Mr. *J. E. Spencer*, Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, Sir *George Trevelyan*, Mr. *Howard Vincent*, Mr. *Waddy*, Mr. *Attorney General*, Mr. *Whitmore*, Mr. *Wodehouse*, and Mr. *Stuart Wortley*.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the said Committee: That they had nominated the following Members to serve on the Standing Committee for the consideration of all Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to such Standing Committee:—Mr. *Addison*, Mr. *Asher*, Mr. *Baring*, Mr. *Barran*, Sir *Walter Barttelot*, Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*, Sir *Edward Birkbeck*, Mr. *Bolitho*, Mr. *J. C. Bolton*, Mr. *Bonsor*, Mr. *Boord*, Mr. *A. H. Brown*, Mr. *Brunner*, Mr. *Burt*, Mr. *Joseph Chamberlain*, Mr. *Henry Chaplin*, Mr. *Childers*, Mr. *Solicitor General*, Mr. *Colman*, Mr. *W. J. Corbet*, Sir *James Corry*, Sir *Charles Dalrymple*, Baron *de Worms*, Mr. *Dillon*, Mr. *Dixon-Hartland*, Sir *George Elliot*, Mr. *T. E. Ellis*, Mr. *R. V. Penrose FitzGerald*, Mr. *Gilliat*, Sir *Julian Goldsmid*, Mr. *Chancellor of the Exchequer*, Mr. *Dwyer Gray*, Mr. *Grotian*, Mr. *A. W. Hall*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Mr. *Frank Hardcastle*, Mr. *Timothy Harrington*, Mr. *Heneage*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *Hoyle*, Mr. *William Lowther*, Sir *John Lubbock*, Mr. *M' Lagan*, Mr. *Mundella*, Mr. *Muntz*, Sir *Stafford Northcote*, Mr. *T. P. O'Connor*, Sir *Richard Paget*, Mr. *Parnell*, Sir *Joseph Pease*, Mr. *Richard Power*, Mr. *Rathbone*, Mr. *Edmund Robertson*, Mr. *J. Robertson*, Colonel *Saunders*, Mr. *Craig Sellar*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Sinclair*, Mr. *Slagg*, Mr. *Samuel Smith*, Mr. *T. D. Sullivan*, Mr. *Wharton*, Mr. *Whitley*, Mr. *S. Williamson*, Mr. *C. H. Wilson*, Mr. *Winterbotham*, and Mr. *Wood*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Railway and Canal Traffic Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday, the 5th day of April next; and to be printed. Railway and Canal Traffic Bill [Lords.] Bill 190.

Mr. *Mount* reported from the Committee on the *London City Tithes (St. Botolph Without, Aldgate) Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board was laid before the Committee having reference to Clause 17 of the Bill, but as in the Bill submitted to and passed by the Committee the said Clause has been omitted therefrom, the Committee have not thought it necessary to deal with any of the recommendations in the said Report.

Mr. *Mount* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. *Speaker* acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law of Distress for Rent; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. Law of Distress Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Acts relating to Lunatics; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers on the *Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Company*; and [Lords.] Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill [Lords.]

Perth Water
and Gas Bill
[Lords.]

and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making Provision for an additional Supply of Water to the City of *Perth* and the Suburbs thereof, and for the acquisition of Lands for the storage of Gas in the said City, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Govan Burgh
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The *Govan* Burgh Act, 1878," and to enable the Commissioners of Police of the Burgh of *Govan*, in the County of *Lanark*, to apply certain Funds arising under that Act to the maintenance of a Public Park now vested in them, and to the erection and maintenance of Public Halls and other Buildings for the said Burgh, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lincolnshire
Police Super-
annuation Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further Provisions with respect to the Superannuation Fund for the Police of the three Divisions or Parts of *Lindsey*, *Kesteven*, and *Holland*, in the County of *Lincoln*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Worcester and
Broom Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Time for the compulsory purchase of Lands, and for completing the *Worcester* and *Broom* Railway; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Falkirk and
District Water
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to incorporate a Public Trust for better supplying with Water the Burgh of *Falkirk*, and Districts and Places adjacent; and to make and maintain new and additional Waterworks, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Consolidated
Fund (No. 1)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment.

National Debt
(Conversion)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the National Debt (Conversion) Bill, without Amendment.

Supply.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Perpetual
Pensions.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, steps should be forthwith taken to give effect to the Report of the Select Committee on Perpetual Pensions; and that, considering the large and increasing annual charge upon the Country for general Pensions and non-effective Services, it is desirable to adopt measures for the thorough revision of the entire Pension System," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, steps should be forthwith taken to determine the Hereditary Pensions and Allowances, with due regard to the just claims of the respective recipients and to economy in the public service, and that, considering the large and increasing annual charge upon the Country for general Pensions and non-effective Services, it is desirable to adopt measures for the thorough revision of the entire Pension System," instead thereof.

Pension
System.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

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And the Question being put, That the words "in the opinion of this House, steps should be forthwith taken to determine the Hereditary Pensions and Allowances, with due regard to the just claims of the respective recipients and to economy in the public service, and that, considering the large and increasing annual charge upon the Country for general Pensions and non-effective Services, it is desirable to adopt measures for the thorough revision of the entire Pension System," be added, instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, steps should be forthwith taken to determine the Hereditary Pensions and Allowances, with due regard to the just claims of the respective recipients and to economy in the public service, and that, considering the large and increasing annual charge upon the Country for general Pensions and non-effective Services, it is desirable to adopt measures for the thorough revision of the entire Pension System.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, Supply, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

A Motion was made, and Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "a Member serving on a Select Committee shall be entitled, without being present at Prayers, on any day on which such Committee shall sit, to retain a seat in the House by affixing thereto a card, distinguished by colour and marked 'Committee,' which shall be delivered to such Member on his application," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "a Member serving on a Select Committee shall be entitled, without being present at Prayers, on any day on which such Committee shall sit, to retain a seat in the House by affixing thereto a card, distinguished by colour and marked 'Committee,' which shall be delivered to such Member on his application," be added, instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That a Member serving on a Select Committee shall be entitled, without being present at Prayers, on any day on which such Committee shall sit, to retain a seat in the House by affixing thereto a card, distinguished by colour and marked "Committee," which shall be delivered to such Member on his application.

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for facilitating the Proceedings of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the Working of the Metropolitan Board of Works: And that Mr. Secretary *Matthews*, Mr. *William Henry Smith*, and Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* accordingly presented a Bill for facilitating the Proceedings of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the Working of the Metropolitan Board of Works: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Members' Seats
in the House.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works Com-
mission.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works Com-
mission Bill.
Bill 191.

Parliamentary
Under Secre-
tary to the
Lord Lieu-
tenant of Ire-
land [Salary,
&c.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland [Salary, &c.];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 9th day of April next.

Statute Law
Revision Bill
[Lords.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Statute Law Revision Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ritchie reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Army (Annual)
Bill.

The Army (Annual) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

Westminster
Abbey Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of this instant March, That the Westminster Abbey 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;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

East India
(Purchase and
Construction of
Railways) Bill.

The East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

Customs, Isle
of Man.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Customs (Isle of Man).

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That, in lieu of the Duties of Customs now charged on Rum and on British and Irish Spirits imported into the Isle of Man, there shall be charged the Duties following (that is to say):—

	£.	s.	d.
Rum, including Shrub, of the British Possessions, the gallon	-	8	6
British and Irish Spirits, not otherwise exempted from the payment of Duty, the gallon	-	8	6

Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon upon Monday next.

Ways and
Means.

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

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

Stipendiary
Magistrates
(Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

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

Notice being taken, That Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr Speaker, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

Monday, 26th March, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills. That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Cardiff, Penarth, and Barry Junction Railways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Assam Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill.

Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway Bill.

Hinchley Local Board Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Wodehouse reported from the Committee on the Brymbo Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board had been considered by the Committee, and they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared to be applicable to the case.

Mr. Wodehouse further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The West Surrey Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Folkestone Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Kent Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The

Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill. The Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Llangamarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill. The Llangamarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lloyd's Bill [Lords.] The Lloyd's Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill. The Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill. The Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Falkirk and District Water Bill [Lords.] The Falkirk and District Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Worcester and Broom Railway Bill [Lords.] The Worcester and Broom Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lincolnshire Police Superannuation Bill [Lords.] The Lincolnshire Police Superannuation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Govan Burgh Bill [Lords.] The Govan Burgh Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Perth Water and Gas Bill [Lords.] The Perth Water and Gas Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill [Lords.] The Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill [Repayment of Deposit.] The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill [Repayment of Deposit].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the repayment of the sum of Six hundred pounds, being the sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The Ayr and District Tramways Act, 1884," which in pursuance of Section Twenty-eight of their Act is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Herbert Maxwell reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

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Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Metropolitan Bill to confirm a Scheme under "The Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866," and "The Metropolitan Commons Amendment Act, 1869," relating to Farnborough Common, Broadstreet Green, Leach's Green, and Green Street Green: And that Mr. Stuart-Wortley and Mr. Secretary Matthews do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Metropolitan Bill to confirm a Scheme under "The Metropolitan Commons Amendment Act, 1869," relating to Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray Commons: And that Mr. Stuart-Wortley and Mr. Secretary Matthews do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Metropolitan Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for modifying the Metropolis (Whitechapel and Limehouse) Improvement Scheme, 1876: And that Mr. Stuart-Wortley and Mr. Secretary Matthews do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme under "The Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866," and "The Metropolitan Commons Amendment Act, 1869," relating to Farnborough Common, Broadstreet Green, Leach's Green, and Green Street Green.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme under "The Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866," and "The Metropolitan Commons Amendment Act, 1869," relating to Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray Commons.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for modifying the Metropolis (Whitechapel and Limehouse) Improvement Scheme, 1876.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Seventh Report.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Directors of Army and Navy Contracts on the publication of the Prices of accepted Tenders.

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

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return by Provinces of Agrarian Offences throughout Ireland reported to the Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary between 1st January 1887 and 31st December 1887, showing the Number of Cases in which Offenders were Convicted; the Number of Cases in which Persons were made amenable but not Convicted; the Number of Cases in which Accused are awaiting Trial; and the Number of Cases in which Offenders were neither Convicted nor made amenable.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Loan Fund Board (Ireland.)

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—Copy of Fiftieth Annual Report of the Commissioners of the Loan Fund Board of Ireland, for 1887.

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

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill (Financial Rearrangements.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of the proposed Financial Rearrangements in connection with the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

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

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 274 and 275.

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

Rivers Pollution Prevention Act, 1876 (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to Her Majesty's Secretary for Scotland as to the operation of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Act, 1876, in Scotland.

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

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887, Imprisonment of a Member.
Mr. Patrick O'Brien.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter relating to the Imprisonment of a Member of this House:—

Athlone, on Circuit,
March 23rd, 1888.

Sir,
I have honour, as is my duty, to inform you, that Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, a Member of the Honourable the House of Commons, was this day sentenced by me, to be imprisoned for four months as a first-class misdemeanant, upon the hearing of an appeal from a Court of Summary Jurisdiction constituted under the Criminal Law Procedure (Ireland) Act of 1887.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

William O'Connor Morris,

County Court Judge and Chairman
of Quarter Sessions.

Inferior Courts of Record (Officers, &c.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, for the years 1886 and 1887, of the Number, Description, and Limits of Jurisdiction of Inferior Courts of Record (other than the County Courts) in England; in what Cases and under what circumstances there is Power of Appeal:—Of the Officers and Judges of such Courts, the Amount of their Salaries, how paid, by whom appointed, by whom removable, and what Qualification required:—Of the Number of Plaints or Writs issued out of each of such Courts:—Of the Number of Executions issued out of each of such Courts, showing the Amount of the Original Debt, and the Amount added for Costs:—And, of the Number of Issues tried, the Amount recovered, and the Amount of the Costs taxed against the unsuccessful Parties.

Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of April next.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Clerks of the Peace Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Ordered, That the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Annual Accounts of the Ordnance Factories for the year 1886-7.

Sir *Richard Paget* reported from the Committee on the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extensions) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Pilotage do consist of Nineteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Charles Acland*, Mr. *H. T. Anstruther*, Mr. *Cosham*, Mr. *Craig*, Mr. *Penrose FitzGerald*, Sir *John Gorst*, Mr. *Gourley*, Lord *Claud Hamilton*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Llewellyn*, Admiral *Mayne*, Mr. *Joseph Nolan*, Sir *William Pearce*, Sir *John Puleston*, Mr. *James Stevenson*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Bazley White*, and Mr. *Charles Wilson*; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The Select Committee to join with a Committee of the Lords on the subject of Private Bill Legislation was nominated of Mr. *Raihes*, Sir *John Mowbray*, Sir *Joseph Pease*, Mr. *John Morley*, Mr. *Craig Sellar*, and Mr. *T. M. Healy*.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Revenue Departments Estimate do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Arthur Acland*, Mr. *Baumann*, Mr. *Preston Bruce*, Mr. *Brunner*, Mr. *Richard Chamberlain*, Mr. *Dixon-Hartland*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Mr. *Haukey*, Mr. *Henniker Heaton*, Mr. *Heneage*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Kilbride*, Mr. *Mowbray*, Mr. *J. F. X. O'Brien*, Mr. *David Plunket*, Mr. *Raihes*, and Mr. *Stansfeld*; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Estimates Procedure (Grants of Supply) do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Joseph Chamberlain*, Lord *Randolph Churchill*, Viscount *Curzon*, Mr. *Harry Davenport*, Mr. *Henry H. Fowler*, Mr. *Chancellor of the Exchequer*, Marquis of *Hartington*, Mr. *Staveley Hill*, Mr. *Huwell*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. *John*

John Dillon, Sir Matthew White Ridley, Mr. Salt, and Mr. Whitbread; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Duties of Customs now chargeable on Tea shall continue to be levied and charged on and after the first day of August, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, until the first day of August, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, on the importation thereof into Great Britain and Ireland (that is to say):—

Tea - - - - - the lb. Sixpence.

—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

2. Resolved, That in addition to the Duties of Customs now payable on Wine, there shall, where the Wine is imported in bottles, be charged and paid the Duties following (that is to say):—

Upon every dozen bottles of Wine—	£.	s.	d.
If in imperial pint bottles or bottles of less capacity	-	2	6
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial pint bottles and not exceeding imperial quart bottles	-	5	-
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial quart bottles a proportionate increase of Duty according to capacity.			

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow, at Two of the clock.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of April next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs (Isle of Man.)

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Customs (Isle of Man), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in lieu of the Duties of Customs now charged on Rum and on British and Irish Spirits imported into the Isle of Man, there shall be charged the Duties following (that is to say):—

	£.	s.	d.
Rum, including Shrub, of the British Possessions, the gallon	-	8	6
British and Irish Spirits, not otherwise exempted from the payment of Duty, the gallon	-	8	6

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

Customs (Isle of Man.)

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Westminster Abbey Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Westminster Abbey Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Transfer of property of Westminster Chapter to Ecclesiastical Commissioners).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 22, to insert the words "Provided that no such scheme shall be submitted to Her Majesty in Council until it has been laid before both Houses of Parliament for the space of two calendar months."

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 4 to N° 8, agreed to.

Preamble.

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, ls. 9 and 10, to leave out the words "restoration or,"

Question proposed, That the words "restoration or" stand part of the Preamble:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, to leave out the words "restoration and."

Question proposed, That the words "restoration and" stand part of the Preamble:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

The Bail (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 9th day of April next.

The County Courts Consolidation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 5th day of April next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the better disposal of the business under the Land Law (Ireland) Acts, and for other purposes relating thereto:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 27th March, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day, at Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liabilities for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

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

The Glebe Lands Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 9th day of April next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Metropolitan Board of Works Commission Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day at Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Hares Pre-
servation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Theatres
(Metropolis)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Crofters' Hold-
ings (Scotland)
Act (1886)
Amendment
(No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of April next.

Factory and
Workshops
Act (1878)
Amendment
Bill.

The Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Crofters'
Holdings
(Scotland) Act
(1886) Amend-
ment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of April next.

Trawling
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant March, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Registration of
Firms Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Public Trustee
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Solicitors
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 19th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Jurors'
Detention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Trees (Ireland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of April next.

Fishery Acts
Amendment
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Housing of the
Working
Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Mr. Jackson presented a Bill to impose certain Duties of Customs on Spirits imported into the Isle of Man: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock; and to be printed.

The Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Returns recently made by the Pilot Authorities of the United Kingdom on the requisition of the Board of Trade.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 27th March, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Milford Docks Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill, as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Helston and Fowthleven Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Barnstaple Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Draycott Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The

Halifax
Corporation
Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Halifax Corporation Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stockton and
Middlesbrough
Corporations
Water Bill.

Ordered, That the *Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday the 9th day of April next.

Belfast Street
Tramways Bill.

The *Belfast Street Tramways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Latimer Road
and Acton
Railway Bill.

The *Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill*, was read a second time; and committed.

London and
North Western
Railway Bill.

The *London and North Western Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

London Tram-
ways (Various
Powers) Bill.

The *London Tramways (Various Powers) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Sutton and
Wimbledon
Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Sutton and Wimbledon Railway Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next.

Ayr and Dis-
trict Tramways
(Abandon-
ment) Bill
[Repayment of
Deposit].

Mr. *Dodds* reported from the Committee on the *Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill* [Repayment of Deposit], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the repayment of the Sum of Six hundred pounds, being the Sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The *Ayr and District Tramways Act, 1884*," which in pursuance of section twenty-eight of their Act is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill*, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Private Bills.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 39 and 129 be suspended, and that the time for depositing Petitions against Private Bills, or against any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order, or Provisional Certificate, and for depositing duplicates of any Documents relating to any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order, or Provisional Certificate, be extended to Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Commons.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider every Report made by the Land Commissioners of *England*, certifying the expediency of any Provisional Order for the enclosure or regulation of a Common, and presented to the House during the last or present Sessions, before a Bill be brought in for the confirmation of such Order.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That they have Power, in respect to each such Provisional Order, to inquire and Report to the House whether the same should be confirmed by Parliament; and, if so, whether with or without modification, and in the event of their being of opinion that the same should not be confirmed, except subject to modifications, to report such modifications accordingly with a view to such Provisional Order being remitted to the Land Commissioners.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Twelve Members, Seven to be nominated by the House, and Five by the Committee of Selection.

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Sir *Walter Barttelot*, Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. *Elton*, Mr. *Walter James*, Mr. *Story-Maskelyne*, Mr. *Richard Power*, and Mr. *Wroughton* were nominated Members of the said Committee.

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

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Seventh
Report.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to the Army Ordnance Factories.

Army
Ordnance
Factories.

No. 95.

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

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—The Annual Local Taxation Returns for *England* for the year 1886-87. Part I. (Poor Rate Return and Valuation for Poor Rate); and Part II. (County Treasurer's Accounts).

Local Taxation
Returns
(England.)
No. 96.

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

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports on the Progress of the Works at *Peterhead Harbour*, to the 31st December 1887.

Peterhead
Harbour.

Mr. *Jackson* also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 15th March 1888, relating to the Award to Major *Watkin, R.A.*, on the adoption and use of his Artillery Position Finder as recommended by the Ordnance Council.

Public
Accounts
(Artillery
Position
Finder.)

Mr. *Jackson* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of all Moneys received, and of the disposal thereof, and of all Contracts for the Grant of Deferred Life Annuities, and for Payments on Death made during the year ended 31st December 1887.

Government
Insurance and
Annuities.

Account of the Annual Salaries of the Judge, Registrars, Clerks, and all others holding Offices in the Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in *Ireland*, together with an Account of all Fees and Moneys received in the year ended 31st December 1887.

Court of Pro-
bate Division
(High Court
of Justice)
Ireland.

An Account of the Gross Amount of all Bank Annuities and Long Annuities, and any other Annuities for Terms of Years transferred, and of all Sums of Money paid to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; and the Gross Amount of Annuities for Lives, and for Terms of Years which have been granted for the same, and Contracts for Payments at Death which have been made, under the provisions of the Acts 10 *Geo. 4*, c. 24, and 16 & 17 *Vic. c. 45*, and 27 & 28 *Vic. c. 43*, and 45 & 46 *Vic. c. 51*, within the year ending 5th January 1888.

National Debt
(Annuities.)

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

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to the Land Purchase (*Ireland*) Act (Loans applied for).

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Act
(Loans applied
for.)

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to the Land Purchase (*Ireland*) Act (Loans sanctioned).

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Act
(Loans sanc-
tioned.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order by the Town Council of *Plymouth*, dividing portions of the Borough into Polling Districts.

Polling
Districts
(Plymouth.)

R 4

Ordered,

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

Education
(Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing, (1.) The Expenditure from the Grant for Public Education in Scotland in the year 1887 upon Annual Grants to Elementary Schools; and (2.) The actual Number of Elementary Schools on the Annual Grant List, &c., and the Results of the Inspection and Examination of Elementary Schools during the year ended 30th September 1887.

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

Trade Reports
(Annual Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 278 to 282.

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

Railways
Abandonment.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158 A,—Copies of Reports by the Board of Trade respecting the following Bills, and their objects, viz.:

- (1.) Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill;
- (2.) Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill.

Ordered, That the said Reports be referred to the respective Committees on the Bills.

Supreme Court
of Judicature
(Funds, &c.)
(Rules.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Addition to Rule 61 of the Supreme Court Funds Rules, 1886, dated March 1888.

Financial
Statement,
1888-9.

No. 97.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement of the Income and Expenditure as laid before the House by the Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Joint Stock
Companies.
No. 98.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Names, Objects, or Business, Places where Business is or was conducted, Date of Registration, Number of Persons who signed the Memorandum of Association, Total Number of Shares taken up by such Subscribers, Nominal Capital, Number of Shares into which it is divided, Number of Shares taken up, Amount of Calls made on each Share, and the Total Amount of Calls received of all Joint Stock Companies formed since the 1st day of January 1887 to the 31st day of December 1887, inclusive, distinguishing whether the Companies are limited or unlimited, and also the Number of Shareholders in each of the said Companies at the Date of the last Return, and whether still in operation or being wound up:—Of the Total Number having their registered Offices in the City of London, or within Five Miles of the General Post Office:—And, of the Total Number and the Paid-up Capital of all Registered Companies which are believed to be carrying on Business at the present time.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Solicitors and
Law Clerks
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of Solicitors in Ireland

who have been admitted Solicitors since the Attorneys and Solicitors (Ireland) Act of 1866; and of the Names of such Solicitors who had been Law Clerks before their Admission.

A Message was delivered by Sir James Royal Assent. Drummond, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned:

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Act, 1888.
2. National Debt (Conversion) Act, 1888.
3. Statute Law Revision Act, 1888.

The Order for reading a second time, this School Board day, the School Board for London Election Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of April next.

Sir Richard Paget reported from the Committee on the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill; That in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 28th day of February last, Clauses 11 to 51 (inclusive), containing provisions relating to the construction of a Steam Tramway, have been struck out of the Bill; that in pursuance of a further Resolution of the House of the 21st day of this instant March, the Committee had made in the Bill provision authorising the repayment of the several Sums of Consolidated Three per Centum Annuities hereinafter mentioned, subject to the provisions of the Acts referred to, relating to compensation to landowners and other persons injured, and for the protection of creditors, viz.,

One thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine pounds, eight shillings and nine pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of the Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880. Two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 19 of the Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1882. Seven hundred and eighty six pounds Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 31 of the Lynn and Fakenham Railway (Extensions) Act, 1880. Three thousand two hundred and seven pounds, nineteen shillings and eight pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, subject to the provisions of Section 29 of the Lynn and Fakenham Railway Act, 1881.

Sir Richard Paget further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the recitals relating to the expediency of constructing the proposed Steam Tramway, and had otherwise amended the same so as to make it consistent with the

the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Vacant
Grounds
(Nuisances
Prevention.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent Nuisances on Vacant Grounds and Disused Burial Grounds: And that Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Seager Hunt*, and Mr. *Howell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Victoria
University.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt the *Victoria University* and the Colleges thereof from the operation of the Act of the Ninth year of the Reign of *George the Second*, chapter Thirty-six, and to extend the Privileges of the Graduates of the said University: And that Mr. *Bryce*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Jacob Bright*, Sir *Henry Roscoe*, Mr. *Whitley*, Sir *Lyon Playfair*, and Mr. *Francis Powell* do prepare, and bring it in.

House of
Commons
(Admission of
Strangers.)

The Select Committee on Admission of Strangers was nominated of Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Biggar*, Mr. *Fulton*, Sir *Wilfrid Lawson*, Mr. *Marjoribanks*, Mr. *Secretary Matthews*, Mr. *David Plunket*, Sir *George Trevelyan*, and Viscount *Ebrington*; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Vacant
Grounds
(Nuisances
Prevention)
Bill.

Bill 197.

Mr. *Lawson* presented a Bill to prevent Nuisances on Vacant Grounds and Disused Burial Grounds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

Victoria
University Bill.

Bill 198.

Mr. *Bryce* presented a Bill to exempt the *Victoria University* and the Colleges thereof from the operation of the Act of the Ninth year of the Reign of *George the Second*, chapter Thirty six, and to extend the Privileges of the Graduates of the said University: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of April next; and to be printed.

Ways and
Means.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Duties of
Customs
(Wine.)

That in addition to the Duties of Customs now payable on Wine, there shall, where the Wine is imported in bottles, be charged and paid the Duties following (that is to say):

Upon every dozen bottles of Wine—	£.	s.	d.
If in imperial pint bottles or bottles of less capacity	-	2	6
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial pint bottles and not exceeding imperial quart bottles	-	5	-
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial quart bottles a proportionate increase of Duty according to capacity.			

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

Customs and
Inland
Revenue.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution:—And that Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. *William Henry Smith*, Mr. *Chancellor of the Exchequer*, and Mr. *Jackson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Customs (Isle
of Man) Bill.

The Customs (*Isle of Man*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Metropolitan
Board of Works
Commission
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Metropolitan Board of Works Commission Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. *Speaker* resumed the

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Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of this instant March, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the better Disposal of the Business under the Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, and for other purposes relating thereto.

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 Mr. *Arthur Balfour*, Mr. *Solicitor General for Ireland*, and Colonel *King-Harman* do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

Mr. *Arthur Balfour* accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the better Disposal of the Business under the Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of April next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 5th day of April next:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. *William Henry Smith* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put:"

And the Question being put accordingly, "That the Question be now put;"

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 145.
Colonel *Watford*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *W. Redmond*, } 51.
Mr. *Rowntree*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 5th day of April next:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday the 5th day of April next.

Thursday, 5th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. *Speaker* laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill.

Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

MR. *Speaker* laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Com-
mission.)

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Com-
mission) Bill.
Bill 199.

Adjournment.

Question put
(pursuant to
S.O. Closure of
Debate.)

Private Bills
(Lords)
(Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
complied with.)

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 62 com-
plied with.)
Bill,

Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz. :—

Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills
(Lords) (No
Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz. :—

Falkirk and District Water Bill.

Govan Burgh Bill.

Lincolnshire Police Superannuation Bill.

Perth Water and Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Taff Vale
Railway
(General
Powers) Bill.

The Order, made upon the 14th day of February last, That the *Taff Vale Railway* (General Powers) Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Folkestone
Water Bill.

The *Folkestone Water Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

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

Kent Water
Bill.

The *Kent Water Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

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

Metropolitan
Board of
Works
(Various
Powers) Bill.

The *Metropolitan Board of Works* (Various Powers) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Uxbridge and
Rickmans-
worth Railway
Bill.

The *Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Wrexham and
Ellesmere
Railway Bill.

The *Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Brymbo Water
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brymbo Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Eastern and
Midlands Rail-
way (Exten-
sions) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Eastern and Midlands Railway* (Extensions) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Harrow and
Stanmore
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Harrow and Stanmore Railway* Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London,
Brighton, and
South Coast
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London, Brighton and South Coast* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London City
Tithes (Saint
Botolph
Without,
Aldgate) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London City Tithes* (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Newhaven
Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Newhaven Harbour* Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The *Assam Company Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Cardiff, Penarth, and Barry Junction Railways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Hinchley Local Board Water Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter relating to the Imprisonment of a Member of this House :—

Macroom, Co. Cork, Ireland,
31st March 1888.

Sir,
I have the honour to inform you that Mr. J. Gilhooly, M.P., has been sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment without H.L., commencing on the 30th March '88, under the Prevention of Crime Act, 1871, 34 & 35 Vict. chap. 112, sect. 12, for an assault committed on a County Inspector, Royal Irish Constabulary.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

H. Caddell, Lt.-Col.,

Resident Magistrate, Co. Cork.

To the Right Honble.

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Seventh
Report.

Ordered That the Account relative to Government Insurances and Annuities, which was presented upon the 27th day of March last, be printed.

Government
Insurances and
Annuities.
No. 99.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the National Debt (Annuities), which was presented upon the 27th day of March last, be printed.

National Debt
(Annuities).
No. 100.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. C. E. W. Stringer, of a Journey to the Laos State of Nān, Siam.

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 277, 283, 284, 285, 286, and 288.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 86 and 87.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

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

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Committee of Inquiry into the Duties, Organisation, and Arrangements of the Patent Office under "The Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Act, 1883," so far as relates to Trade Marks and Designs.

Patent Office.

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

The

Registration of
Firms Bill.

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

Metropolis
Local Govern-
ment Bill.

The Order made upon the 14th day of March last for resuming, upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant April, the further Proceedings on the Second Reading of the Metropolis Local Government Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,260, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance and Repair of Royal Palaces:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 28,760, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance and Repair of Royal Palaces;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Labouchere,	} 37.
Yeas,	Mr. Edmund Robertson:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 77.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £. 1,500, to complete the Sum for the Maintenance and Repair of Marlborough House.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 77,013, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 76,513, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Labouchere,	} 53.
Yeas,	Mr. Pickersgill:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 95.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 40,940, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Buildings of the Houses of Parliament:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 35,940, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Buildings of the Houses of Parliament:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. £. 2,200, for erecting a Monument in Memory of the late Major General Charles George Gordon.

6. £. 110,629, to complete the Sum for the Maintenance and Repair of Public Buildings in Great Britain, including various Special Works; for providing the necessary Supply of Water;

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for Rents of Houses hired for the Accommodation of Public Departments and Charges attendant thereon.

7. £. 12,930, to complete the Sum for the Supply and Repair of Furniture in the Public Departments of Great Britain.

8. £. 203,514, to complete the Sum for the Customs, Inland Revenue, Post Office, and Post Office Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, including Furniture, Fuel, and Sundry Miscellaneous Services.

9. £. 23,875, to complete the Sum for New Buildings for County Courts, Maintenance and Repair of Courts, Supply of Furniture, Fuel, &c., and for Charges attendant thereon.

10. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,756, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Metropolitan Police Court Buildings:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,756, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Metropolitan Police Court Buildings;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Labouchere,	} 48.
Yeas,	Sir Walter Foster:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 87.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

11. £. 9,250, to complete the Sum for one-half of the Expense of Erecting or Improving Court Houses or Offices for the Sheriff Courts in Scotland, and for the Government Contribution towards the Cost of Maintaining Courts so Erected or Improved.

12. £. 183,000, to complete the Sum for the Survey of the United Kingdom, including the Revision of the Survey of Ireland, Maps for use in Proceedings before the Land Judges in Ireland, Publication of Maps, and Engraving the Geological Survey.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Erection and Maintenance (including Rents, &c.) of Buildings for the Department of Science and Art;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and agreed to.

Friday 6th April, 1888:

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-

Customs (Isle
of Man) Bill.

mittee on the Customs (Isle of Man) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Consolidation Bill [<i>Lords.</i>]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Courts Consolidation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill.
Railway and Canal Traffic Bill [<i>Lords.</i>]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vaccination Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of this instant April.	Vaccination Bill.
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of this instant April.	Borough Funds (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill.
Public Worship Facilities Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Worship Facilities Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Distress for Rent (<i>Dublin</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of this instant April.	Distress for Rent (<i>Dublin</i>) Bill.
Fishing in Rivers Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fishing in Rivers Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant April.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	Municipal Franchise (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill.
Occupiers Disqualification Removal Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April.	Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill.
Libel Law Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intestates Estates Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	Intestates Estates Bill.
Herring Fishery (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of this instant April.	Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill.
Clerks of the Peace Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Public Trustee Bill.
Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill.	The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Jurors' Detention Bill.
Hares Preservation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	Fishery Acts Amendment (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill.
Trawling (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	Housing of the Working Classes Bill.
		The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National School Teachers (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	National School Teachers (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill.
		The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Piers and Harbours (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	Piers and Harbours (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill.

The

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

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

Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant April.

Land Law (Wales and Monmouthshire) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Wales and Monmouthshire) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of this instant April.

Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Coroners' Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

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

Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill;

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

Speeches in Parliament Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Speeches in Parliament Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of this instant April.

Parochial Boards (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Boards (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of this instant April.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Beer Adulteration Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant April.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 6th April, 1888.

THE HOUSE met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill.

MR. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out so much thereof as related to the powers to run over certain Railways, and to the power to enter into agreements with the London and North Western and Harrow and Stanmore Railway Companies, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and had otherwise amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had

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gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

A Motion being made, That the *Barnstaple Water Bill* be now read the third time;

Lord *Arthur Hill*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

The *Draycott Gas Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Riddings District Gas Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways (Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Seventh Report.

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Agreement approved by Her Majesty's Government between the Governor of the Straits Settlements and His Highness the Sultan of *Pahang*.

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

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of a Return in pursuance of the provisions of the 59th section of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, for the year ended 31st December 1887, as regards *Ireland*.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, — Lunatic Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Lunatic Asylums in *England* and *Wales* (including the Metropolitan District Asylums at *Leavesden*, *Caterham*, and *Darenth*) on the 1st day of January 1887:

—Of the Date of Opening: —Of the Population of the County or other District to which each Asylum belongs: —Of the Amount of Land belonging to the Estate of each Asylum or attached thereto (distinguishing Land purchased from Land rented), and showing how the same is used: —Of the Rent of Land taken on Lease or Agreement, and Cost of Land purchased: —Of the Expense of Building up to the 31st day of December 1886, including Cost of original Construction, and of Additions, Alterations, and Repairs, exclusive of Cost of Land: —Of the Number of Patients for whom Accommodation is provided: —Of the Number of Patients, distinguishing Male and Female, on the 1st day of January 1887: —Of the Expense of Medical Staff, distinguishing between the Salaries and Allowances of the Medical Officers of each Asylum, and giving the Estimated Money Value of the latter: —Of the Total Annual Cost per

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Head:

Head:—And, of the Weekly Cost *per Head* (in part continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 370, of Session 1878):—And, similar Returns for *Scotland and Ireland*.

Metropolitan
Police
(Injuries.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23rd day of March last, for a Return relative to the Metropolitan Police (Injuries).

Prisoners for
Contempt of
Court (Ire-
land.)

Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of March last, for a Return relative to Prisoners for Contempt of Court (*Ireland*).

Land Com-
mission
(Special
Report.)

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Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Special Report by the Land Commissioners, as to the Regulation of *Therfield Heath and Greens*, near *Royston, Herts.*

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Lunatic Asylums and the Paper relative to the Land Commission (Special Report) be printed.

Moveable
Abodes.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Registration and Regulation of Travelling Vans or other Vehicles used as Temporary Abodes: And that Mr. *Burt*, Mr. *Caine*, Dr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Penrose Fitzgerald*, Mr. *Lewis Fry*, Mr. *T. M. Healy*, and Mr. *Hozier* do prepare, and bring it in.

Moveable
Abodes Bill.
Bill 200.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the Registration and Regulation of Travelling Vans or other Vehicles used as Temporary Abodes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Supply.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the present condition of the "labour market, it is expedient, with a view to "giving employment to a greater number of "workmen, to discontinue the practice of work- "ing Overtime in Government Yards and Fac- "tories, so far as may be done without injury to "the Public Service," instead thereof.

Government
Yards and
Factories.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 7,900, to complete the Sum for the Erection and Maintenance (including Rents, &c.) of Buildings for the Department of Science and Art.

2. £. 8,940, to complete the Sum for the Maintenance and Repair of the *British Museum* and *Natural History Museum* Buildings, for Rents of Premises, supply of Water, Fuel, &c., and other Charges attendant thereon.

3. £. 4,000, as a Grant-in-Aid of the Cost of Purchase of a Site for a Hall for the *University of Edinburgh*.

4. £. 17,626, to complete the Sum for Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, including Rents and Furniture, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

5. £. 14,145, to complete the Sum for maintaining certain Harbours, &c., under the Board of Trade.

6. £. 9,530, to complete the Sum for maintaining certain Lighthouses Abroad.

7. £. 29,180, to complete the Sum for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at *Peterhead*.

8. £. 148,848, to complete the Sum for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c., in respect of Government Property, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Rating of Government Property Department.

9. £. 7,500, to complete the Sum for the Contribution towards the Funds for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Fire Brigade in the Metropolis.

10. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 163,302, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of several Public Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works, *Ireland*, for the Maintenance of certain Parks, Harbours, and Navigations, and for Repayments to Baronies under "The Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883":

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 162,902, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of several Public Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works, *Ireland*, for the Maintenance of certain Parks, Harbours, and Navigations, and for Repayments to Baronies under "The Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883":

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Arthur O'Connor</i> ,	} 46.
Yeas,	Mr. <i>Joseph Nolan</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 93.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 160,302, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of several Public Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works, *Ireland*, for the Maintenance of certain Parks, Harbours, and Navigations, and for Repayments to Baronies under "The Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883":

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Nolan</i> ,	} 38.
Yeas,	Mr. <i>Biggar</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 99.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

11. £. 35,500, to complete the Sum for Expenses preparatory to and of the erection of the Museum of Science and Art National Library, and of the School of Art and Lecture Theatre in *Dublin*.

12. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 37,731, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item B, £. 5,000, Department of the Chairman of the Committees of the House of Lords, be reduced by the Sum of £. 1,000: Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item E, £. 6,075, Department of Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, Salaries, be reduced by the Sum of £. 1,500;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. T. P. O'Connor, } 33.
Yeas, { Mr. Donal Sullivan: }
Tellers for the (Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 78.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Original Question put, and agreed to.

13. £. 43,387, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses in the Offices of the House of Commons.

14. £. 50,222, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury, and in the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel, and also the Expenses of the Statute Law Revision.

15. £. 80,734, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and Subordinate Offices.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 61,073 be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again,—put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Supply [5th April.] Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Royal Palaces. 1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,260, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance and Repair of Royal Palaces.

Marlborough House. 2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance and Repair of Marlborough House.

Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens. 3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 77,013, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

Houses of Parliament. 4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 40,940, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Buildings of the Houses of Parliament.

Gordon Monument. 5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889,

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for erecting a Monument in Memory of the late Major General Charles George Gordon.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 110,629, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance and Repair of Public Buildings in Great Britain, including various special Works; for providing the necessary supply of Water; for Rents of Houses hired for the accommodation of Public Departments, and Charges attendant thereon.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,930, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Supply and Repair of Furniture in the Public Departments of Great Britain.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 203,514, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Customs, Inland Revenue, Post Office, and Post Office Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, including Furniture, Fuel, and sundry Miscellaneous Services.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,875, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for New Buildings for County Courts, Maintenance and Repair of Courts, supply of Furniture, Fuel, &c., and for Charges attendant thereon.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,756, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Metropolitan Police Court Buildings.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,250, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for one-half of the expenses of Erecting or Improving Court Houses or Offices for the Sheriff Courts in Scotland, and for the Government contribution towards the cost of Maintaining Courts so Erected or Improved.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 183,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Survey of the United Kingdom, including the Revision of the Survey of Ireland, Maps for use in Proceedings before the Land Judges in Ireland, publication of Maps, and engraving the Geological Survey.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs (Isle of Man) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

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

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

Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

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

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

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

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

Monday, 9th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Brymbo Water Bill.

A MOTION being made, That the *Brymbo* Water Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Heneage*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extensions) Bill.

The Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extensions) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Halifax Corporation Water Bill.

The *Halifax* Corporation Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Harrow and Stanmore Railway Bill.

The *Harrow* and *Stanmore* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill.

The *London, Brighton, and South Coast* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

London City Tithes (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate) Bill.

The *London City Tithes (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate)* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Newhaven Harbour Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Newhaven* Harbour Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Heneage*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill.

The *Newport (Monmouthshire)* Corporation Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Stockton and Middlesbrough* Corporations Water Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
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Vide Seventh Report.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Preliminary Return of the *British Army*, for the year 1887; with Abstracts, &c.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Army (Military Intelligence Department).

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

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23rd day of February last, for a Return relative to Hydrophobia.

Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns showing the Number of Officers appointed in Unions in *Ireland* under the Explosives Act:—Of the Salaries paid to them:—Of the Number of Persons licensed to sell Explosives in each of the said Unions:—And, of the Number of Unions, if any, in which the Constabulary act as Inspectors under the Explosive Acts.

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

Sir *Michael Hicks-Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns by Railway Companies of the United Kingdom on the use of Continuous Brakes, for the Six Months ending the 31st December 1887.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Names of Public Bodies and Functionaries who have, since the 1st day of January 1885, addressed to the Home Secretary Memorials, Presentments, or other Communications in favour of Legislation for the Infliction of Corporal Punishment in Cases of Offences under "The Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1885," against Children of less than Thirteen years of Age, giving Dates and Substance of Recommendations.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Chairman's Panel have leave to make a Report.

Mr. *Campbell-Bannerman* accordingly reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. *Osborne Morgan* to act as the Chairman of the Standing Committee for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure which may, by Order of the House, be committed to such Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The

year in which such first transfer by delivery shall happen—

Where the amount secured does not *£. s. d.*
exceed Fifty Pounds - - - - - 6

Where such amount exceeds Fifty
Pounds, for every Fifty Pounds and any
fractional part of Fifty Pounds thereof - - - 6

Provided, that the last-mentioned Duty shall not be payable in the case of any security duly stamped with the Duty of One Shilling for every Ten Pounds, and also for any fractional part of Ten Pounds of the money thereby secured, in conformity with Section Twenty-one of "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1885," but shall be payable upon every other security transferable by delivery, and, in the case of any Stamp Duty having been heretofore paid upon such security, in addition to such Stamp Duty.

Transfer, Assignment, Disposition, or Assignment, otherwise than on mortgage, of any mortgage, bond, debenture, or covenant (being a marketable security), or of any security for money by or on behalf of any Foreign or Colonial State, Government, Municipal Body, Corporation, or Company (being a marketable security)—

Where the transfer, assignment, disposition, or assignment is on sale, the same *ad valorem* Duties as are now charged under "The Stamp Act, 1870," upon a conveyance or transfer of sale of any property by relation to the amount or value of the consideration for the sale—

Where the transfer, assignment, disposition, or assignment is of any other kind than on sale or mortgage - - - 10 -

The last-mentioned Duties to be in substitution for the Duty of Six Pence for every One Hundred Pounds, and also for any fractional part of One Hundred Pounds of the amount transferred, assigned, or disposed in any case in which such Duty is imposed by "The Stamp Act, 1870."

Contract Note, according to the interpretation of that term in Section Twenty-six of "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1878,"—

Where such Note advises the sale or purchase of any stock or security of the value of One Hundred Pounds or upwards - - - - - 6

The last-mentioned Duty to be in substitution for the Duty of One Penny now payable thereon under "The Stamp Act, 1870."

Succession
Duty.

5. *Resolved*, That, in addition to the Duties chargeable in respect of Successions under Section Ten of "The Succession Duty Act, 1853," there shall be levied and paid to Her Majesty in respect of every Succession therein referred to, upon the death of any person dying on or after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, according to the value thereof, the following Duties (that is to say):—

Where the Successor shall be the lineal issue, or lineal ancestor of the predecessor, a Duty at the rate of Ten shillings *per centum* upon the value of the interest of the Successor;

In all other cases mentioned in such section, a Duty at the Rate of One Pound Ten Shillings *per centum* upon the value of the interest of the Successor;

Provided, That such additional Duty shall not be payable upon the interest of a Successor in Leaseholds passing to him by will or devolution by Law, or in property included in an account according to the value whereof Duty is payable under "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1881."

Succession
Duty.

6. *Resolved*, That the Duties chargeable under the Acts now in force for charging Duties on Legacies and Shares of the personal estates of deceased persons shall not be levied and paid under such Acts in respect of any Legacy payable, or having effect, or being satisfied, out of, or charged, or rendered a burden upon, the real or heritable

estate of any person dying on or after the First day of July One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, or any real or heritable estate, or the rents or profits thereof, which such person shall have had any right or power to charge, burden, or affect with the payment of money, or out of or upon any moneys to arise from the sale, mortgage, or other disposition of any such real or heritable estate, or any part thereof, but the Duties under "The Succession Duty Act, 1853," and the additional Duties specified in the last preceding Resolution shall be levied and paid in respect of every such Legacy (whether given by way of annuity or in any other form) as a Succession to personal property.

7. *Resolved*, That the Duties of Excise for Carriages now payable in *Great Britain* shall cease to be payable on and after the First day of January One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and on and after that day there shall be granted, charged, and paid for the use of Her Majesty in *Great Britain* in each year the following Duties of Excise (that is to say):—

For every Carriage as hereinafter defined, — *£. s. d.*

If such Carriage shall have four or more wheels, and shall be drawn, or be adapted or fitted to be drawn, by two or more Horses or Mules, or shall be drawn or propelled by mechanical power - - - - - 2 2 -

If such Carriage shall have four or more wheels, and shall be drawn, or be adapted or fitted to be drawn, by one Horse or Mule only - - - - - 1 1 -

If such Carriage shall have less than four wheels - - - - - 15 -

For every Hackney Carriage as hereinafter defined - - - - - 15 -

For every Trade Cart as hereinafter defined of the weight of Two Hundredweight or upwards—

In respect of each wheel thereof - - - - - 2 6

And also, where the weight of any Trade Cart exceeds Ten Hundredweight, a further Duty of - - - - - 1 - -

For every Locomotive or Traction Engine propelled upon a road - - - - - 5 - -

For every Horsedealer - - - - - 15 - -

For every Horse which shall start or run for any plate, prize, or sum of money or other thing - - - - - 5 - -

For every other Horse or Mule - - - - - 1 - -

Subject to exemption from the last-mentioned Duty of One Pound in favour of Horses or Mules of the descriptions following (that is to say):—

(1.) A Foal, Colt, or Filly, or Mule which shall never have been used for any purpose of draught or riding;

(2.) A Pony or Mule under the height of Thirteen Hands of Four Inches to each Hand;

(3.) A Horse or Mule kept solely for the purposes of trade or husbandry;

(4.) A Mare kept for the sole purpose of breeding;

(5.) A Horse or Mule kept by a licensed Horsedealer on his premises for sale, and which shall not be let for hire.

For the purposes of this Resolution the following terms therein used shall have the meanings hereinafter assigned to them respectively:—

"Carriage" means and includes any vehicle drawn by a Horse or Mule, or Horses or Mules, or drawn or propelled upon a road or tramway, or elsewhere than upon a railway, by steam or electricity, or any other mechanical power, but shall not include a "Hackney Carriage," or "Trade Cart," or "Farm Cart," as herein defined;

"Hackney Carriage" means any Carriage standing or plying for hire, which is drawn by one Horse or Mule only, and includes any Carriage let for hire, by a coachmaker, or other person whose trade or business is to sell Carriages or to let Carriages for hire, provided that such Carriage is not let for a period amounting to three months or more;

"Trade Cart" means and includes any Waggon, Cart, or other such vehicle drawn by a Horse or Mule, or Horses or Mules, or drawn or propelled upon a road or tramway, or elsewhere than upon a railway, by steam or electricity, or any other mechanical power, which is constructed or adapted for use, and is used, solely for the conveyance of any goods or burden in the course of trade, and whereon the Christian name and surname and place

place of abode, or place of business of the owner, or the name and style and principal or only place of business of the Company or Firm owning the same shall be visibly and legibly painted in letters of not less than one inch in length;

"Farm Cart" means and includes any Waggon, Cart, or other such vehicle according to the preceding definition of "Trade Cart," such definition being construed as if the words "husbandry or the business of a market gardener" was therein substituted for the word "trade."

Inland Revenue and Customs.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the Inland Revenue and the Customs.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Bail (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bail (Scotland) Bill;

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 10th April, 1888 :

Employers' Liabilities for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liabilities for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

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

Glebe Lands Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Glebe Lands Bill;

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

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

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

Supply.

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

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

Supply [6th April.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Science and Art Department Buildings.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.7,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Erection and Maintenance (including Rents, &c.) of Buildings for the Department of Science and Art.

British Museum and Natural History Museum Buildings.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.8,940, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance and Repair of the British Museum and Natural History Museum Buildings, for Rents of Premises, Supply of Water, Fuel, &c. and other Charges attendant thereon.

University of Edinburgh.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,000, be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during

the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, as a Grant in Aid of the Cost of Purchase of a Site for a Hall for the University of Edinburgh.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.17,626, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, including Rents and Furniture, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £.14,145, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for maintaining certain Harbours, &c. under the Board of Trade.

Harbours, &c. under the Board of Trade.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £.9,530, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for maintaining certain Lighthouses Abroad.

Lighthouses Abroad.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £.29,180, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at Peterhead.

Harbour of Refuge at Peterhead.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £.148,848, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c. in respect of Government Property, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Rating of Government Property Department.

Government Property, Rates, &c.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £.7,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Contribution towards the Funds for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Fire Brigade in the Metropolis.

Fire Brigade (Metropolis).

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £.163,302, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of several Public Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works, Ireland, for the Maintenance of certain Parks, Harbours, and Navigations, and for Repayments to Baronies under "The Tramways and Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883."

Public Buildings (Ireland.)

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £.35,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Expenses preparatory to and of the Erection of the Museum of Science and Art National Library, and of the School of Art and Lecture Theatre in Dublin.

Science and Art Buildings (Dublin.)

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £.37,731, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords.

House of Lords.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £.43,387, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Offices of the House of Commons.

House of Commons.

Treasury Offices.	14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 50,222, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury, and in the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel, and also the Expenses of the Statute Law Revision.	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Home Office.	15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 80,734, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and Subordinate Offices. The First, Second, and Third Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to. The Fourth Resolution, being read a second time, was postponed. The Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, and Thirteenth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to. The Fourteenth Resolution, being read a second time, was postponed. The Fifteenth Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to. Ordered, That the postponed Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Parish Vestries Reform Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Vestries Reform Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.
Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (<i>Saint Mungo's College</i>) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant April.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.
Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (<i>Scotland</i>) Extracts Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.
Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Personal Property (Exemption) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act (1878) Amendment Bill.	The Roads and Bridges (<i>Scotland</i>) Act (1878) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intestates Estates Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant April.
Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill;	

The

Fishery Acts
Amendment
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Housing of the
Working
Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

National
School
Teachers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Bill;

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

Reformatory
Schools Act
(1866) Amend-
ment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant April.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 10th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Riddings
District Gas
Bill.

THE Riddings District Gas Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Milford Docks
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Milford Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Didcot,
Newbury, and
Southampton
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Govan Burgh
Bill [Lords.]

The Govan Burgh Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Isle of Axholme
Railway (Aban-
donment) Bill
[Lords.]

The Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lincolnshire
Police Super-
annuation Bill
[Lords.]

The Lincolnshire Police Superannuation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Perth Water
and Gas Bill
[Lords.]

The Perth Water and Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works
(Theatres, &c.)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.) Bill;

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

Sutton and
Wimbledon
Railway Bill.

The Order made upon the 14th day of February last, That the Sutton and Wimbledon Railway Bill be read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Limerick
Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Limerick, in the room of Henry Joseph Gill, Esquire, who, since his election for

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the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenham, in the County of Buckingham.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Seventh
Report.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a List of Special Pensions granted to Soldiers under Articles 1d45 and 1088 of the Royal Warrant of 10th June 1884, and Article 1183 of the Royal Warrant of the 15th November 1887.

Army (Special
Pensions.)

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-third Annual Report of the Registrar General on the Births, Deaths, and Marriages registered in Scotland during the year 1887; and Twenty-third Annual Report on Vaccination.

Births, Deaths,
Marriages, and
Vaccination
(Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Determination of the Crofters' Commission in regard to the Parish of Saddell and Skipness.

Crofters' Hold-
ings (Scotland)
Act, 1886
(Crofting
Parishes.)

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

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on the Berley Heath Railway Bill, and the objects thereof.

Railways Aban-
donment.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Royal Commissions issued from the year 1866 to the year 1874; with the Date and Duration of each Commission; the Subject-matter of Inquiry; the Number and Names of the Commissioners: whether paid or unpaid; and the Total Expenses, distinguishing those which were finally paid out of Civil Contingencies; and including Commissions included in the previous Return, but not then expired (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 261, of Session 1867.)

Royal
Commissions.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Statistics, giving Degree by Degree the Strengths of Wines imported into this Country during the years 1883, 1885, and 1887.

Wines
(Alcoholic
Strength.)

Mr. Courtney reported the Keble College Bill, without Amendment.

Keble College
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Keble College Bill; That they had agreed to the following Special Report:—That the Bill seeks to alter the General Law, by placing Keble College in the same position as other Colleges within the University of Oxford, as regards gifts and devises of real estate to the annual value of Five thousand pounds, without such College being incorporated with the said University. It was proved to the Committee that the Charter of Incorporation of the College authorises the holding of real estate, limited to the annual value aforesaid; and it was also proved that a similar concession as to the Mortmain Act was contained in "The University College (London) Act, 1869." Under these circumstances, the Committee had passed the Bill without Amendment, but had determined to report the same specially to the House.

Keble College
Bill [Lords]
(Special
Report.)

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Agrarian
Offences
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of Agrarian Offences, exclusive of Threatening Letters and Notices, for first Six Months of 1882:—Of Agrarian Offences, exclusive of Threatening Letters and Notices, for first Six Months of 1887:—And, of Analysis of Returns during first and second Six Months of 1882 and 1887 respectively:—

	Offences against Person.				Offences against Property.		Offences against general Peace.			
	Homicide.		Firing at Person.	Other Offences.	Incendiary Fires.	Other Offences.	Intimidation other than by Letter.	Threatening Letters and Notices.	Firing at Dwellings.	Other Offences.
	Murder.	Manslaughter.								
First Six Months of 1882.										
Second Six Months of 1882.										
First Six Months of 1887.										
Second Six Months of 1887.										

Death of His
Imperial
Majesty the
German
Emperor.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a communication from the Chancellor of the German Empire, which he read to the House as followeth:—

“The Imperial German Parliament passed a Resolution unanimously at their sitting of the 19th instant, to the effect that the expressions of veneration for our deceased Monarch, and of participation in the grief of the German People manifested by the House of Commons, have called forth the deepest sympathy and the liveliest gratitude throughout Germany, and constitute a signal proof of the friendly relations existing between the two Peoples.”

Adjournment.

Mr. Fenwick, Member for the Wansbeck Division of Northumberland, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the imprisonment of John Douglass and Joseph Wolfendale; but, the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Main Roads.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Names of the several Highway Districts, separate Highway Parishes, and Urban Sanitary Districts in England and North Wales, to the respective authorities of which repayments have been made by the several County Authorities in respect of the maintenance of the Main Roads under “The Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878,” for the year ended the 25th day of March 1887, together with the Amount paid to each such separate Authority.

Fishery
Department
(Board of
Trade.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House,

the Fishery Department of the Board of Trade as now constituted is not in accordance with the scheme by which the control of the fisheries was transferred to the Board of Trade, and, in order to carry out that scheme and to secure the proper management and development of the fisheries of England and Wales, they should be placed under an authority comprising, in addition to the officials of the Board of Trade, persons with practical knowledge of the Sea and Inland Fisheries:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Select Committee on Sunday Closing Acts (Ireland) do consist of Seventeen Members;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Peter M'Donald, } 9.

Mr. John O'Connor:

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Biggar, } 173.

Mr. T. W. Russell:

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme for the Management of the Endowment known as the Bell Residue Fund, now lying upon the Table of the House:—It passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vagrant Act Amendment Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day six months.”

And the Question being proposed, That the word “now” stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Belfast) Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day six months.”

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. De Cobain, } 80.

Mr. Fenwick:

Tellers for the Noes, Sir James Corry, } 162.

Sir William Ewart:

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words “upon this day six months” be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

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

The

Mr.

Ways and
Means.

Tea.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Duties of Customs now chargeable on Tea shall continue to be levied and charged on and after the First day of August, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, until the First day of August, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, on the importation thereof into Great Britain and Ireland (that is to say):

Tea - - - - - the lb. Sixpence.

Income Tax.

2. That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there shall be charged, collected, and paid for the year commencing on the Sixth day of April, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, in respect of all Property, Profits, and Gains mentioned or described as chargeable in the Act of the sixteenth and seventeenth years of Her Majesty's reign, chapter thirty-four, the following Duties of Income Tax (that is to say):

For every Twenty Shillings of the annual value or amount of Property, Profits, and Gains chargeable under Schedules (A.), (C.), (D.), or (E.), of the said Act, the Duty of Six Pence;

And for every Twenty Shillings of the annual value of the occupation of Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Heritages chargeable under Schedule (B.) of the said Act,—

In England, the Duty of Three Pence;

In Scotland and Ireland respectively, the Duty of Two Pence Farthing;

Subject to the provisions contained in section one hundred and sixty-three of the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her Majesty's reign, chapter thirty-five, for the exemption of persons whose income is less than One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, and in section eight of "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1876," for the relief of persons whose income is less than Four Hundred Pounds.

Stamp Duties
(Joint Stock
Companies.)

3. That a statement of the amount of nominal capital to be raised by shares of any Company to be registered with limited liability shall be delivered to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, and a statement of the amount of any increase of registered capital of any Company now registered, or to be registered, with limited liability, shall be delivered to the said Registrar, and every such statement shall be charged with an *ad valorem* Stamp Duty of Two Shillings for every One Hundred Pounds and any fraction of One Hundred Pounds over any multiple of One Hundred Pounds of the amount of such capital or increase of capital, as the case may be.

Stamp Duties
(Foreign or
Colonial Share
Certificates,
&c.)

4. That there shall be charged for the use of Her Majesty upon the instruments hereinafter specified the following Stamp Duties (that is to say):

Foreign or Colonial Share Certificate or other document, being *prima facie* evidence of, or certifying, the title of any person as proprietor of any share or shares, or stock, or debenture stock, or funded debt of any Foreign or Colonial Company or Corporation where such person is not registered in respect thereof in a register duly kept in the United Kingdom:—

On the occasion of the first delivery thereof in the United Kingdom after the first day of July One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and on the occasion of the first delivery thereof in the United Kingdom in any year after the year in which such first delivery shall happen—

Where the nominal amount in money of the share or shares, or stock, or debenture stock, or funded debt does not exceed Fifty Pounds - - - - - £. s. d. 6

Where such nominal amount exceeds Fifty Pounds, for every Fifty Pounds and any fractional part of Fifty Pounds thereof - - - - - 6

Security for money of any Company or Corporation, being a marketable security and transferable by delivery, or security for money by or on behalf of any Foreign or Colonial State, Government, Municipal Body, Corporation, or Company, being a marketable security and transferable by delivery, whatever may be the date thereof, or of the issue thereof, and wherever it may have been made or issued, or the interest may be payable:—

On the occasion of the first transfer thereof by delivery in the United Kingdom after the first day of July One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and on the occasion of the first transfer thereof by delivery in the United Kingdom in any year after the year in which such first transfer by delivery shall happen—

Where the amount secured does not exceed Fifty Pounds - - - - - £. s. d. 6

Where such amount exceeds Fifty Pounds, for every Fifty Pounds and any fractional part of Fifty Pounds thereof - - - - - 6

Provided, that the last-mentioned Duty shall not be payable in the case of any security duly stamped with the Duty of One Shilling for every Ten Pounds, and also for any fractional part of Ten Pounds of the money thereby secured, in conformity with section twenty-one of "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1885," but shall be payable upon every other security transferable by delivery, and, in the case of any Stamp Duty having been heretofore paid upon such security, in addition to such Stamp Duty.

Transfer, Assignment, Disposition, or Assignment, otherwise than on mortgage, of any mortgage, bond, debenture, or covenant (being a marketable security), or of any security for money by or on behalf of any Foreign or Colonial State, Government, Municipal Body, Corporation, or Company (being a marketable security)—

Where the transfer, assignment, disposition, or assignment is on sale, the same *ad valorem* Duties as are now charged under "The Stamp Act, 1870," upon a conveyance or transfer or sale of any property by relation to the amount or value of the consideration for the sale—

Where the transfer, assignment, disposition, or assignment is of any other kind than on sale or mortgage - - - - - £. s. d. 10 -

The last-mentioned Duties to be in substitution for the Duty of Sixpence for every One Hundred Pounds, and also for any fractional part of One Hundred Pounds of the amount transferred, assigned, or disposed in any case in which such Duty is imposed by "The Stamp Act, 1870."

Contract Note, according to the interpretation of that term in section twenty-six of "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1878,"—

Where such Note advises the sale or purchase of any stock or security of the value of One Hundred Pounds or upwards - - - - - £. s. d. 6

The last-mentioned Duty to be in substitution for the Duty of One Penny now payable thereon under "The Stamp Act, 1870."

5. That, in addition to the Duties chargeable in respect of Successions under section ten of "The Succession Duty Act, 1853," there shall be levied and paid to Her Majesty in respect of every Succession therein referred to, upon the death of any person dying on or after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, according to the value thereof, the following Duties (that is to say):

Where the Successor shall be the lineal issue, or lineal ancestor of the predecessor, a Duty at the rate of Ten Shillings *per centum* upon the value of the interest of the Successor;

In all other cases mentioned in such section, a Duty at the rate of One Pound Ten Shillings *per centum* upon the value of the interest of the Successor;

Provided, That such additional Duty shall not be payable upon the interest of a Successor in Leaseholds

Leaseholds passing to him by will or devolution by Law, or in property included in an account according to the value whereof Duty is payable under "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1881."

Legacy Duties.

6. That the Duties chargeable under the Acts now in force for charging Duties on Legacies and shares of the personal estates of deceased persons shall not be levied and paid under such Acts in respect of any Legacy payable, or having effect, or being satisfied, out of, or charged or rendered a burden upon, the real or heritable estate of any person dying on or after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, or any real or heritable estate, or the rents or profits thereof, which such person shall have had any right or power to charge, burden, or affect with the payment of money, or out of or upon any moneys to arise from the sale, mortgage, or other disposition of any such real or heritable estate, or any part thereof, but the Duties under "The Succession Duty Act, 1853," and the additional Duties specified in the last preceding Resolution shall be levied and paid in respect of every such Legacy (whether given by way of annuity or in any other form) as a Succession to personal property.

Excise Duties.
—Carriages,
Trade Carts,
Horses, &c.
and Horse-
dealers.

7. That the Duties of Excise for Carriages now payable in *Great Britain* shall cease to be payable on and after the First day of January One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and on and after that day there shall be granted, charged, and paid for the use of Her Majesty in *Great Britain* in each year the following Duties of Excise (that is to say):

For every Carriage as hereinafter defined—	£. s. d.
If such Carriage shall have four or more Wheels, and shall be drawn, or be adapted or fitted to be drawn, by two or more Horses or Mules, or shall be drawn or propelled by mechanical power	2 2 -
If such Carriage shall have four or more Wheels, and shall be drawn, or be adapted or fitted to be drawn, by one Horse or Mule only	1 1 -
If such Carriage shall have less than four Wheels	- 15 -
For every Hackney Carriage as hereinafter defined	- 15 -
For every Trade Cart as hereinafter defined of the weight of Two Hundredweight or upwards—	
In respect of each Wheel thereof	- 2 6
And also where the weight of any Trade Cart exceeds Ten Hundredweight, a further Duty of	1 - -
For every Locomotive or Traction Engine propelled upon a road	5 - -
For every Horsedcaler	15 - -
For every Horse which shall start or run for any plate, prize, or sum of money or other thing	5 - -
For every other Horse or Mule	1 - -
Subject to exemption from the last-mentioned Duty of One Pound in favour of Horses or Mules of the descriptions following (that is to say):	
(1.) A Foal, Colt, or Filly, or Mule which shall never have been used for any purpose of draught or riding;	
(2.) A Pony or Mule under the height of Thirteen Hands of Four inches to each Hand;	
(3.) A Horse or Mule kept solely for the purposes of trade or husbandry;	
(4.) A Mare kept for the sole purpose of breeding;	
(5.) A Horse or Mule kept by a licensed Horsedcaler on his premises for sale, and which shall not be let for hire.	

For the purposes of this Resolution the following terms therein used shall have the meanings hereinafter assigned to them respectively:—

"Carriage" means and includes any vehicle drawn by a Horse or Mule, or Horses or Mules, or drawn or propelled upon a road or tramway, or elsewhere than upon a railway, by steam or electricity, or any other mechanical power, but shall not include a "Hackney Carriage," or "Trade Cart," or "Farm Cart," as herein defined;

"Hackney Carriage" means any Carriage standing or plying for hire, which is drawn by one Horse or

Mule only, and includes any Carriage let for hire by a coachmaker, or other person whose trade or business it is to sell Carriages or to let Carriages for hire, provided that such Carriage is not let for a period amounting to three months or more;

"Trade Cart" means and includes any Waggon, Cart, or other such vehicle drawn by a Horse or Mule, or Horses or Mules, or drawn or propelled upon a road or tramway, or elsewhere than upon a railway, by steam or electricity, or any other mechanical power, which is constructed or adapted for use, and is used, solely for the conveyance of any goods or burden in the course of trade, and whereon the Christian name and surname, and place of abode, or place of business of the owner, or the name and style and principal or only place of business of the Company or Firm owning the same shall be visibly and legibly painted in letters of not less than one inch in length;

"Farm Cart" means and includes any Waggon, Cart, or other such vehicle according to the preceding definition of "Trade Cart," such definition being construed as if the words "husbandry or the business of a market gardener" were therein substituted for the word "trade."

8. That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the Inland Revenue and the Customs. The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Seventh Resolution: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Gentlemen appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill upon the Resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 27th day of March, and then agreed to by the House, That they do make provision therein pursuant to the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Eighth Resolutions.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bail (Scotland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Clerks of the
Peace Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Copyright
(Musical Com-
positions) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Municipal
Franchise
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Housing of the
Working
Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

National
School
Teachers
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Customs and
Inland Revenue
Bill.

Bill 202.

Mr. Jackson presented a Bill to grant certain Duties of Customs and Inland Revenue, to alter other Duties, and to amend the Laws relating to Customs and Inland Revenue: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 11th April, 1888.

PRAYERS.

South Eastern
Railway Bill
[Repayment of
Deposit.]

A MOTION being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the repayment, subject to the provisions of Section 33 of "The Elham Valley Light Railway Act, 1881," in relation to compensation to landowners or other persons and to the protection of creditors, and subject also to the provisions of Clause 37 of the Bill now pending in this House, intituled, "A Bill for conferring further powers upon the South Eastern Railway Company and for other purposes," of the sum of Seven thousand four hundred and seventy-one pounds eight shillings and three pence Consolidated Three *per Centum* Annuities, which, in pursuance of the said Act, is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon;

Lord Arthur Hill, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

Rossendale
Valley Tram-
ways Bill
[Repayment of
Portion of
Deposit.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the repayment, out of the sum of One thousand six hundred and fifty-eight pounds fourteen shillings and eight pence

Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, and Five pounds six shillings and two pence cash, being the balance remaining in Court of the Deposit Fund transferred or paid as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The Manchester, Bury, and Rochdale Tramways (Extensions) Order, 1882," of the sum of Two hundred and twelve pounds like Annuities, being the proportion of the said Deposit Fund applicable to so much of the Tramway 7A authorised by the said Order as remains uncompleted, and which is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon;

Lord Arthur Hill, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Oaths Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.Vide Eighth
Report.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Rules, dated 23rd and 24th March 1888, issued by the Irish Land Commission under the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881.

Copy of Report of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland for the year 1887.

Intermediate
Education
(Ireland.)

Copy of Return of the Number of Agrarian Outrages committed in Ireland which were reported to the Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary during the Quarter ended 31st March 1888.

Agrarian
Outrages
(Ireland)
(January to
March 1888.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Honiton Lace Industry.

Honiton Lace
Industry.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the Number of Eviction Notices filed during the Quarter ending 31st March 1888, in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland, under Section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Evic-
tion Notices.)

An Account in charge and discharge of Fees on County Treasurers' Accounts received by the Local Government Board for Ireland for the year ended 25th March 1888, pursuant to 1st Vic. c. 54, s. 19.

County
Treasurers'
Fee Fund
(Ireland.)

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

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 287, 289, and 291.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenants (Ireland) Relief Bill;

Agricultural
Tenants
(Ireland)
Relief Bill.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Blane, } 190.

Yeas, { Mr. John Ellis; }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 247.

Noes, { Colonel Walrond; }

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill;

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

Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill;

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

Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

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

Architects' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Architects' Registration Bill;

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

Parliamentary Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill;

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

Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 30th day of May next.

Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill;

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

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 30th day of May next.

Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill;

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

Steam Boilers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Boilers Bill;

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

Borough Funds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill; Municipal Rates Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Engines and Boilers Bill; Steam Engines and Boilers Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill; Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill; Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill; Coroners' Elections Bill.

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill; Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill; Theatres (Metropolis) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]; Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.].

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill; Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill; Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill; Public Trustee Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

piers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Habitual Drunkards Act, 1879"; And that Dr. Cameron, Sir Lyon Playfair, Sir Trevor Lawrence, and Sir Walter Foster do prepare, and bring it in.

Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2.) Bill.

Dr. Cameron accordingly presented a Bill to amend "The Habitual Drunkards Act, 1879"; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Bill 203.

Standing Orders.

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway.

1. That, in the case of the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden* Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that proof be adduced of the consent of the Treasury to the old deposits being made applicable as proposed; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

United Telephone Company Bill.

2. That, in the case of the United Telephone Company Bill, Petition of the *Wandsworth* District Board of Works for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of their Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

Aberdeen District Tramways Bill.

3. That, in the case of the *Aberdeen* District Tramways Bill, Petition of "*William Bain* (Limited)," for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of their Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Army Estimates.

Ordered, That the Reports and Minutes of Evidence of the Select Committee on Army and Navy Estimates of last Session be referred to the Select Committee on Army Estimates.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Stamps and Stamped Paper (Contract for Manufacture.) No. 104.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Report, dated the 20th day of March 1880, from the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in reference to the Contract made in 1880 for the manufacture of Stamps and Stamped Paper, together with a Copy of a Minute of the Board of Inland Revenue of the 12th day of February 1880, in connection therewith.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 12th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.: *Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways* Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, viz.:

United States and South American Investment Trust Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders thereto applicable, not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Worcester and Broom Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Motion being made, That the *Eastern and Midlands* Railway (Further Powers) Bill be now read the third time;

Lord Arthur Hill, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth: An Act to enable the *Eastern and Midlands* Railway Company to abandon certain authorised Railways and Works, to make a new Railway and Works, and for other purposes.

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

The *Stockton and Middlesbrough* Corporations Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

The *Falkirk and District* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Battersea* Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant April.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *South Eastern* Railway Bill [Repayment of Deposit].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Repayment, subject to the provisions of Section 33 of "The *Elham Valley* Light Railway Act, 1881," in relation to compensation to landowners or other persons, and to the protection of creditors, and subject also to the provisions of Clause 37 of the

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

Private Bills (Standing Order 63 complied with.)

Private Bills [Lords] (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill.

Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill.

Falkirk and District Water Bill [Lords.]

Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill.

South Eastern Railway Bill [Repayment of Deposit.]

the Bill now pending in this House, intituled, "A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the South Eastern Railway Company, and for other purposes," of the sum of Seven thousand four hundred and seventy-one pounds eight shillings and three-pence Consolidated Three *per Centum* Annuities, which, in pursuance of the said Act, is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Craig Sellar* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

Rossendale Valley Tramways Bill [Repayment of Portion of Deposit.]
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Rossendale Valley Tramways Bill* [Repayment of Portion of Deposit].
(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the repayment, out of the sum of One thousand six hundred and fifty-eight pounds fourteen shillings and eight-pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, and Five pounds six shillings and two-pence Cash, being the balance remaining in Court of the Deposit Fund transferred or paid as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Manchester, Bury, and Rochdale* Tramways (Extensions) Order, 1882," of the sum of Two hundred and twelve pounds like Annuities, being the proportion of the said Deposit Fund applicable to so much of the Tramway 7 A., authorised by the said Order as remains uncompleted, and which is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.
Resolution be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Craig Sellar* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway.
The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of a Petition for leave to bring in the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill*, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to revive the Powers and extend the Periods for the compulsory Purchase of Lands, and for the Construction of the Railway authorised by the *Henley-in-Arden* and *Great Western Junction Railway Act, 1873*, and the *Henley-in-Arden* and *Great Western Junction Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884*, and for other purposes: And that Major *Dickson* and Mr. *Kimber* do prepare, and bring it in.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Conviction of Mr. Patrick O'Brien affirmed.)
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, relating to the Conviction of a Member of this House:

Kilkenny,
10 April 1888.
Sir,
I have to inform you that an Appeal by Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, Member for *Monaghan*, against a Conviction by Magistrates, under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," sentencing him to three months' imprisonment, was this day heard by me. The Appeal was dismissed, and the Conviction affirmed.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
T. de Moleyns,
County Court Judge of *Kilkenny*.
To the Right Honble. the Speaker,
&c. &c. &c.
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Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Eighth Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886 (Crofting Parishes), which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant April, be printed.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886 (Crofting Parishes.)

No. 105.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant April, be printed.

Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices.)

No. 106.

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting a Scheme of Colonization referred in 1887 for the consideration of Colonial Governments.

Colonization.

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

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations relating to the Reserve Forces.

Army (Reserve.)

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

Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Balance Sheets and Accounts of Shipbuilding and other Dockyard Transactions at Home and Abroad, for the Financial Year 1886-87, prepared in pursuance of the Recommendations of the Select Committee on Admiralty Moneys and Accounts, of the 27th day of July 1868.

Navy Accounts (Shipbuilding and Dockyard Transactions, 1886-7.)

Copy of Return of Balance Sheets, showing the Cost of Manufactures, &c., at the Home Dockyards, for the Financial Year 1886-87.

Navy Accounts (Manufactures, &c., in Dockyards, 1886-7.)

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

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 290.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Imprisonment of Messrs. *F. B. Coles* and *A. N. Crosswell* by the *Haitian* Authorities. Parts I. and II.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return for each year since 1870 of the Value, computed or declared, of the Manufactures, Produce, and Bullion—

East India and China (Exports and Imports.)

1. Exported from the United Kingdom to *India* and *China* and *Hong Kong*, specifying separately the Values and Quantities of the following Goods, viz., Woollens, distinguishing Woollen and Worsted Stuffs, Cottons and Cotton Yarn, and including the Bullion sent from *Suez* to *Aden*;
2. Imported into the United Kingdom from *India*, *China*, and *Hong Kong*, specifying the Values and Quantities of Cotton and Tea from *India*, and Tea and Silk respectively from *China*;
3. Exported from *India* to *China* and *Hong Kong*, specifying separately the Value and Quantity of Opium and Cotton; and,
4. Imported into *India* from *China* and *Hong Kong*, specifying separately the Value and Quantity of Tea

(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 347, of Session 1871).

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the *Steam Boilers Bill*, was read, and discharged.

Steam Boilers Bill.

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

Hexham Local Board Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Hexham Local Board Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill was referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations of that Report have been dealt with by the Committee is set forth in Appendix B.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the recitals as to the expediency of raising additional capital, and had made other Amendments therein, to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Ayr and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill*; That in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 27th day of March, the Committee had made provision in the Bill authorizing the repayment of the Sum of Six hundred pounds, being the Sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for the *Ayr and District Tramways Act, 1884*, which, in pursuance of Section Twenty-eight of their Act is now forfeited, or liable to be forfeited, together with any Interest or Dividends thereon.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the said Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out reference to the compulsory purchase of lands for the purpose of the Act of 1884, to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill*; That a Report from the Secretary of State for the Home Department upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee on the Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by altering the recitals relating to the Construction of the Tunnel, in order to make it consistent with provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Keswick Gas Bill*; That, in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 6th day of March last, the approval of the Bill by the Shareholders had been proved before the Committee.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee on the Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Courtney reported the *Fylde Water Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported the *Assam Company Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported *Lloyd's Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Jackson presented a Bill to grant Duties of Excise upon Trade Carts and Horses in aid of local purposes in *Great Britain*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence between the Colonial Office and the Agent General for the *Cape Colony* relative to the Formation or Extension of a Railway between *Kalk Bay* and *Simon's Bay*, for the purpose of assisting in the protection of the *Cape*.

Mr. Parnell, Member for *Cork City*, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the attack upon the people at *Ennis* on Sunday last by the Police and Military, and the conduct of Colonel *Turner* and other officers in charge, together with the policy of the *Irish Executive*, as evinced by their proceedings in directing the Police and Military to assault persons taking part in alleged illegal meetings, instead of proceeding against such alleged offenders according to Law; but, the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen:

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Parnell, 179.

Mr. Robert Reid :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, 249.

Colonel Walrond :

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Local Government (England and Wales) Bill*;

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

And a Debate arising thereupon, and it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Electors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill;

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

Supply [9th
April.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Fourth and Fourteenth of the Resolutions which, upon the 9th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolutions were then postponed; and the same were again read, as follow:

Diplomatic and
Consular
Buildings.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,626, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, including Rents and Furniture, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

Treasury.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 50,222, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury, and in the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel, and also the Expenses of the Statute Law Revision.

And the said Resolutions were agreed to.

Criminal
Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

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

Mortmain and
Charitable
Uses Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill;

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

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill;

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

Customs (Isle
of Man) Bill.

The Customs (Isle of Man) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

Glebe Lands
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Glebe Lands Bill;

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

Bail (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bail (Scotland) Bill;

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

Metalliferous
Mines Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metalliferous Mines Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant April.

Crofters'
Holdings
(Scotland) Act
(1886) Amend-
ment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

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

Public
Worship
Facilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Worship Facilities Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Piers and Harbours (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 20th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes (Relief) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Attendance of Registrars at Marriages in Nonconformist Chapels: And that Mr. Henry H. Fowler, Mr. Richard, Mr. Illingworth, and Mr. Waddy do prepare, and bring it in.

Partnership. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate the Law of Partnership: And that Colonel Hill, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Sir George Elliot, Sir Charles Palmer, Mr. Whitley, Sir Albert Rollit, and Mr. Seale-Hayne do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend Section one of "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," in regard to Leaseholders: And that Mr. T. W. Russell, Mr. Lea, and Mr. Sinclair do prepare, and bring it in.

Admission of Strangers. *Ordered*, That Sir Wilfrid Lawson be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Admission of Strangers, and that Mr. Lawson be added to the Committee.

Pilotage. *Ordered*, That Dr. Fox be added the Select Committee on Pilotage.

Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 205. Mr. Henry H. Fowler presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Attendance of Registrars at Marriages in Nonconformist Chapels: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Partnership Bill. Bill 206. Colonel Hill presented a Bill to consolidate the Law of Partnership: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment Bill. Bill 207. Mr. T. W. Russell presented a Bill to amend Section one of "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," in regard to Leaseholders: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill. The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant April.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 13th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Seventh Report.) SIR Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th and 27th days of March last, and the 5th, 6th, 9th and 10th days of this instant April; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Milford Docks Bill. The Milford Docks Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

The Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Committee on South Eastern Railway Bill [Repayment of Deposit], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the repayment, subject to the provisions of section 33 of "The Elham Valley Light Railway Act, 1881," in relation to compensation to landowners or other persons and to the protection of creditors, and subject also to the provisions of Clause 37 of a Bill now pending in this House, intituled "A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the South Eastern Railway Company, and for other purposes," of the sum of Seven thousand four hundred and seventy-one pounds eight shillings and three pence Consolidated Three per Centum Annuities, which, in pursuance of the said Act is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the South Eastern Railway Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Committee on Rosendale Valley Tramways Bill [Repayment of Portion of Deposit], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the repayment, out of the Sum of One thousand six hundred and fifty-eight pounds fourteen shillings and eight pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, and Five pounds six shillings and two pence cash, being the balance remaining in Court of the Deposit Fund transferred or paid as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The Manchester, Bury, and Rochdale Tramways (Extensions) Order, 1882," of the sum of Two hundred and twelve pounds like Annuities, being the proportion of the said Deposit Fund applicable to so much of the Tramway 7A authorised by the said Order as remains uncompleted, and which is now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interests or dividends thereon.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Rosendale Valley Tramways Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

A Bill to revive the Powers and extend the periods for the compulsory purchase of Lands, and for the construction of the Railway authorised by "The Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway Act, 1873," and "The Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the South Eastern Railway Bill in Session 1881 be referred to the Committee on Group No. 1 of Railway Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Land Purchase (Ireland) Act (Loans applied for), which was presented upon the 27th day of March last, be printed.

Ordered, No. 107.

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Act
(Loans
sanctioned.)
No. 108.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Land Purchase (Ireland) Act (Loans sanctioned), which was presented upon the 27th day of March last, be printed.

Metropolitan
Police
(Injuries.)
No. 109.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Metropolitan Police (Injuries), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant April, be printed.

Prisoners for
Contempt of
Court
(Ireland.)
No. 110.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Prisoners for Contempt of Court (Ireland), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant April, be printed.

Navy
Accounts
(Shipbuilding
and Dockyard
Transactions,
1886-7.)
No. 111.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Navy Accounts (Shipbuilding and Dockyard Transactions, 1886-7), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Navy
Accounts
(Manufactures,
&c. in Dock-
yards, 1886-7.)
No. 112.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Navy Accounts (Manufactures, &c., in Dockyards, 1886-7), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Police (Houses
of Parliament.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulation issued by the Commissioner of Police as to the Police in attendance upon the Houses of Parliament.

Agrarian
Offences
(Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Agrarian Offences (Ireland).

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

East India
(Loans raised
in England.)

Sir *John Gorst* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in England under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 31st March 1888, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the Termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the Purpose or Service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.

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

Railway
Accidents.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns of Accidents and Casualties as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the year ended 31st December 1887, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Gas Companies
(Metropolis.)

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of the Metropolitan Gas Companies, for the year 1887.

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

Universities of
Oxford and
Cambridge
Act, 1877
(Cambridge.)
No. 113.

Sir *William Hart Dyke* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of Trinity College or Hall, in the University of Cambridge, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on the 18th June 1887, and sealed on the 26th November 1887, for amending the Statutes relating to the College or Hall.

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Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of University College, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, to amend a Statute in relation to the College.

Universities of
Oxford and
Cambridge Act,
1877 (Oxford.)
No. 114.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme, under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the management of the Endowment in the County of Fife and Burghs of Kirkcaldy and Kinghorn, known as Robert Philp's Trust Estate and Schools.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland) Act,
1882.
No. 115.

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

Sir *Lyon Playfair* reported, from the Select Committee on the City of London Fire Inquests Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true, and had taken Evidence thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House, together with an Appendix; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

City of London
Fire Inquests
Bill.
No. 116.

Sir *Lyon Playfair* further reported from the Committee; That the Bill is confined to the City of London, though the notices required by Standing Orders extended to the whole Metropolitan area. As the Local Government of the Metropolis is under the consideration of the House, the Committee did not deem it expedient to ask Instructions for the wider extension of the Bill under present circumstances. Nevertheless the expediency of holding Inquests in cases of fire is so important, that the extension of these powers to the whole Metropolitan area is, in the opinion of the Committee, desirable on a future occasion. The subject of the extension of Fire Inquests to the country generally has not been referred by the House to the Committee.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, with reference to each Session from 1878 to 1887, inclusive:—

Business of the
House (Pre-
cedence of
Government
Business.)

(1) The Number of Morning Sitzings, not including Wednesday Sitzings;

(2) The Number of other Sitzings, including Wednesdays—

(a) At which, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, Government Business had precedence;

(b) At which Government Business had precedence under a special Order of the House;

(3) The Total Number of Sitzings at which Government Business had precedence;

(4) The Total Number of Sitzings, Morning Sitzings being counted as separate Sitzings.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Correspondence, from October 1878 to March 1888, between the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Metropolitan Board of Works, relating to the right of public meeting in certain open spaces subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.

Public Meet-
ings in Metro-
politan Open
Spaces.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Standing Order No. 11, appointing the Committee of Supply to be the first Order of the Day on Fridays, be read and suspended, and that the Orders of the Day for the Second Reading of the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill and the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill have precedence of the Committee of Supply;

Orders of the
Day (Supply.)

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The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 243.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Labouchere, } 143.
Mr. Dilhyn:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Weekly
Wages.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for Weekly Payment of Wages in Great Britain and Ireland: And that Mr. Fenwick, Mr. William Abraham (Glamorgan), Mr. Burt, Mr. Howell, Mr. Cremer, Mr. Randell, and Mr. De Cobain do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses
(No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law in regard to the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses: And that Mr. Dixon-Hartland, Mr. Osborne Morgan, Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson, Mr. A. Gathorne-Hardy, and Mr. M'Lagan do prepare, and bring it in.

Livery Fran-
chise (London)
Abolition.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Livery Franchise in the City of London: And that Mr. Firth, Mr. Causton, Mr. James Stuart, Mr. Montagu, Mr. Octavius V. Morgan, Mr. Pickersgill, and Mr. Rowlands do prepare, and bring it in.

Selection
(Standing
Committees)
(Special
Report.)

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir John Mowbray accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, the following Fifteen Members in respect of the County Courts Consolidation Bill:—Mr. Ambrose, Mr. Chance, Mr. Coleridge, Mr. Donald Crawford, Mr. Cremer, Mr. Darling, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Gully, Mr. Charles Hall, Sir Henry James, Mr. Milvain, Mr. Robert Reid, Sir Albert Rollit, and Sir George Russell.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Weekly Wages
Bill.

Mr. Fenwick presented a Bill to provide for Weekly Payment of Wages in Great Britain and Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 30th day of May next; and to be printed.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses
(No. 2) Bill.

Mr. Dixon-Hartland presented a Bill to amend the Law in regard to the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Livery Fran-
chise (London)
Abolition Bill.

Mr. Firth presented a Bill to abolish the Livery Franchise in the City of London: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant April, That the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill be now read a second time;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Electors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bail (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill;

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

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Saturday, 14th April, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April.

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

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read; for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 3 (Amendment of Factory and Workshops Act, 1878).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, to leave

leave out the words "in burghs, or the local authorities in Counties or," in order to insert the words "or police commissioners in boroughs."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1866) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1866) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April.

Public Trustee Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;

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

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 16th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Metropolitan Commons (Farnborough) Provisional Order Bill.

Metropolitan Commons (Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray) Provisional Order Bill.

Metropolis (Whitechapel and Limehouse) Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Fylde Water Bill [Lords.]

The Fylde Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Lloyd's Bill [Lords.]

The Lloyd's Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising that the sum of Four thousand nine hundred and two pounds eleven shillings, balance of the Sum deposited as security for the completion of the Railways authorised by "The Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Act, 1882," invested in the Three per Centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, and now liable to forfeiture, shall, subject to the provisions of Sections Forty-seven and Forty-eight of the said Act, remain as a security for the completion of the portions of the Railway No. 1 authorised by the said Act, the powers to construct which are by the Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill now pending in this House revived as if the same had never been liable to forfeiture;

Lord Arthur Hill, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Eighth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Agrarian Offences (Ireland), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed.

Agrarian Offences (Ireland.)

No. 117.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to East India (Loans raised in England), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (Loans raised in England.)

No. 118.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Gas Companies (Metropolis), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed.

Gas Companies (Metropolis.)

No. 119.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Proclamation applying the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887, to proclaimed districts in the County of Louth.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Proclamations.)

Copy of Order by the Secretary of State, under "The Factory and Workshop Act, 1878," extending special exception as to Overtime in Factories and Workshops.

Factory and Workshop Act, 1878 (Overtime.)

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

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Additional Articles, dated the 28th January and 15th February 1888, to the Money Order Convention between the General Post Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Post Office Department of the United States of America, of December 1879.

Postal Convention (United States of America.)

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 15th March 1888, declaring that John Ditchfield was appointed Postmaster at Chertsey, without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

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

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, pursuant to the direction of several Acts of Parliament,—

Army (Militia.)

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Copy

Copy of further Regulations relating to the Militia.

Army
(Pensions of
Soldiers and
Pay and
Pensions of
Yeomanry.)

Copy of Further Regulations as to Pensions of Soldiers and Pay and Pensions of Yeomanry, in accordance with 47 & 48 Vic. c. 55.

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

British
Bechuanaland.

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of *British Bechuanaland* and adjacent Territories (in continuation of [C. 5237] September 1887).

Gold Coast.

Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of the *Gold Coast* (in continuation of [C. 4906] September 1886).

Sierra Leone.

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Recent Expedition against the *Yonnie* Tribe, adjacent to *Sierra Leone* (in continuation of [C. 5236] September 1887).

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

Wreck
Statistics,
1875-86.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tables relating to—

1. Wrecks of, and Casualties to *British Ships* and Lives lost thereby.
2. Wrecks of and Casualties to *British Ships*, exclusive of Fishing Vessels, registered in the United Kingdom, and Lives lost thereby; in each of the twelve years 1875 to 1886, both years inclusive.

Railways
Abandonment.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 158A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade relative to the *Mersey* Railway (No. 2) Bill, and the Objects thereof.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Report relative to Railways Abandonment be referred to the Committee on the *Mersey* Railway (No. 2) Bill.

Extradition
(Great Britain
and the United
States.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the recent Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, providing better facilities for the Extradition of Fugitive Offenders.

Pilotage.

Ordered, That the Reports and the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Pilotage Bill in 1870 be referred to the Select Committee on Pilotage.

Lanark (Mid-
Division)
Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Lanark*, Mid-Division, in the room of *Stephen Mason*, Esquire, who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Folkestone,
Sandgate, and
Hythe Tram-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the time for completing the *Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe* Tramways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Holsworthy
and Bude
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Powers of the *Holsworthy and Bude* Railway Company, for completion of their authorised Railways, and for other purposes; to

which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction* Railways Company to abandon a portion of their authorised Railway No. 1, and to construct a new Railway instead thereof, in the East Riding of the County of *York*; to extend the periods for the compulsory purchase of Lands for, and for the completion of the remainder of their authorised Railways, to reduce the Capital of the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for conferring further Powers on the *Plymouth and Dartmoor* Railway Company, for the Construction of a new Railway to *Modbury*, and otherwise in relation to their Undertaking, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers on the Corporation of *Glasgow* in relation to their Gas Undertaking, their Municipal Buildings, the Barony Church, *Cathkin Park*, Bazaar and other Markets, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to revive and extend the Powers of the *Porthdinlleyn* Railway Company, for the acquisition of Lands for, and the completion of their authorised Railway, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for incorporating and conferring Powers on the *Henley-on-Thames* Gas Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for amending the Act incorporating the Life Association of *Scotland*, and the Contract of Copartnership and Royal Charter of that Association; for enlarging their Powers of Investment, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The *Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe* Tramways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Holsworthy and Bude* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction* Railways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Plymouth and Dartmoor* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Glasgow* Corporation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Porthdinlleyn* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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Henley-on-Thames Gas Bill [Lords.] The *Henley-on-Thames* Gas Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Life Association of Scotland Bill [Lords.] The Life Association of *Scotland* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant April, That the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Electors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Employers' Liabilities for Injuries to Workmen Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liabilities for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

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

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Ireland*) (Land Commission) Bill;

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

Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill. The Burgh Police and Health (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill;

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

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 17th April, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day, at Two of the clock.

Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Timber Acts (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Customs and Inland Revenue Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill;

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

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

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

Criminal Evidence Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Glebe Lands Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Saving Life at Sea Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (*Ireland*) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Roads and Bridges (*Scotland*) Act (1878) Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (*Wales*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (*Wales*) (No. 2) Bill;

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

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

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Hares Preservation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

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

Registration of Firms Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

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

Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

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

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading for the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

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

Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill;

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

Public Trustee Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant April.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Educational Endowment (Scotland) Act, 1882 (Clark's Bequest, &c.) A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme for the Management of the Endowments in the united Parishes of Daviot and Dunlichity and County of Inverness, known as Clark's Bequest, and the Nairn-side School, approved by the Scotch Education Department (by Act) now lying upon the Table of the House;

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

Tellers for the { Mr. Mackintosh, } 35.
Yeas, { Mr. Caldwell: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 93.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

County Courts Consolidation Bill [Lords.] *Ordered*, That the Standing Committee for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, do sit

and proceed with the County Courts Consolidation Bill, upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant April, at half after Eleven of the clock.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April, Bill. the Licensing Laws Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 29th day of May next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 17th April, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, viz.:

Horse Guards Avenue Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The United States and South American Investment Trust Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

United States and South American Investment Trust Company Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.) Bill;

Metropolitan Board of Works (Theatres, &c.) Bill.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Tatton Egerton, } 18.
Yeas, { Mr. Webster: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Dixon-Hartland, } 144.
Noes, { Mr. James Stuart: }

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [Application of Forfeited Deposit].

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [Application of Forfeited Deposit].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient that the Sum of Four thousand nine hundred and two pounds eleven shillings, balance of the Sum deposited as security for the completion of the Railways authorised by "The Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Act, 1882," invested in the Three per Centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, and now liable to forfeiture, shall, subject to the provisions of Sections Forty-seven and Forty-eight of the said Act, remain as a security for the completion of the portions of the Railway No. 1 authorised by the said Act, the powers to construct

struct which are by the *Rhondda and Swansea Bay* Railway Bill now pending in this House revived as if the same had never been liable to forfeiture.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Herbert Maxwell* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

Metropolitan Commons (Farnborough) Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolitan Commons (*Farnborough*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Metropolitan Commons (Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray) Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolitan Commons (*Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Metropolis (Whitechapel and Limehouse) Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolis (*Whitechapel and Limehouse*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Army Estimates (First Report.)

No. 120.

Lord *Randolph Churchill* reported from the Select Committee on Army Estimates; That they had made progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

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

Public Petitions.

Vide Eighth Report.

Irish Land Commission.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Proceedings under the Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, 1881 and 1887, the Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, 1885 and 1886, and "The Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1885," during the month of March 1888.

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

Queen Anne's Bounty.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Annual Report and Accounts of the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty, for the year ending 31st December 1887.

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

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

No. 121.

Sir *William Hart Dyke* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made on the 7th December 1887, under "The Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877," by the Governing Body of *Christ Church*, in the University of *Oxford*, amending Statute XXVIII. of the Statutes of that House.

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

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 292 to 295.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Report on subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 88.

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

Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme under the Educational Endowments (*Scotland*) Act, 1882, for the management of the Endowment in the Parish of *Avoch* and County *Vol. 143.*

of *Ross*, known as the *Mackenzie* Foundation School.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amounts, as estimated by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in opening his Budget, to be yielded by the Horse Duties and Wheel Tax proposed in the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill. *Horse Duties and Wheel Tax. No. 123.*

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented the said Return.

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better administration of the Funds of Queen Anne's Bounty; And that Mr. *Henniker Heaton*, Mr. *Hanbury*, and Mr. *Kerans* do prepare, and bring it in. *Queen Anne's Bounty.*

Mr. *Henniker Heaton* accordingly presented a Bill for the better administration of the Funds of Queen Anne's Bounty: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. *Queen Anne's Bounty Bill. Bill 211.*

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant April, That the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill be now read a second time; *Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.*

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

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Electors Bill; *Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill.*

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant April, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill be now read a second time; *Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.*

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Glebe Lands Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Operations under the Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts up to the 31st day of March 1888, showing the Number of Cottages authorised, erected, and in progress; the estimated Cost of such Cottages; and the Amount and Terms of the Loans sanctioned by the Treasury:— *Labourers (Ireland) Acts (Cottages.)*

Union.	County or Counties in which situated.	Number of Cottages applied for.	Number of Cottages authorised.	Number erected.	Number in progress.	Total estimated Cost of Cottages authorised.	Total Amount of Loans sanctioned by the Treasury.	Terms of Loans.		
								Period for Repayment.	Rate of Interest.	Annuity covering Principal and Interest.

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Ordered,

Post Office
Savings Banks
(Counties.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, arranged according to Counties, showing the Number of Accounts of Depositors in Post Office Savings Banks in the United Kingdom remaining open on the 31st day of December 1887, together with the Amount, inclusive of Interest, standing to the Credit of those Accounts (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 197, of Session 1887).

Didcot,
Newbury, and
Southampton
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the *Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill*, with Amendments.

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

Llangammarch
and Neath and
Brecon Junction
Railway Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported the *Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill*, without Amendment.

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

Isle of
Axholme Rail-
way (Aban-
donment) Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the *Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment) Bill*, without Amendment.

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

Blackburn
Corporation
Tramways Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill was referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations of that Report have been dealt with by the Committee is set forth in the Appendix; that in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 28th February, the Power to construct and maintain Tramways Nos. 10, 10A, and 10B, and Street Improvements numbered 3, 4, 5, had been struck out of the Bill.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee, That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Wrexham,
Mold, and
Connah's Quay
Railway Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill*; That, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 22nd March, the Committee had made provisions in the Bill authorising the repayment, subject to the provisions of Section 40 of the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Act, 1882*, relating to compensation to landowners or other persons, and to the protection of creditors, of the sum of Nine thousand five hundred and seventy-seven pounds seven shillings and sixpence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities which, in pursuance of the said Act, are now forfeited or liable to be forfeited, together with any interest or dividend thereon.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Lincolnshire
Police Super-
annuation Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the *Lincolnshire Police Superannuation Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Selection
(Special
Report.)

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged

the following Member from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure: Sir *George Baden-Powell*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Dugdale*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, in the case of the *South Staffordshire Tramways*, Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

2. That, in the case of the *Tuscan Gas Company (Limited)*, Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee appointed to examine into the present system of Private Bill Legislation, and to report how far and in what manner, without prejudice to public interests, that system may be modified with a view to the interests of Suitors, the economy of the time of Parliament, and the Reduction of Costs and Charges, do meet in Room No. 1, Upper Corridor, upon Friday next, at half-past Three of the clock.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Abandonment of the *Chatham and Brompton Tramways*, and for authorising the Release of the Deposit Fund remaining deposited as Security for the completion thereof; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway Company* to raise Moneys by the issue of Debenture Stock, and to enable the *Caledonian Railway Company* to make advances to the Company by way of Loan or otherwise, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the *Clyde Navigation Acts*, with respect to the Election of Trustees by Shipowners and Ratepayers, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message as proposes the time and place of meeting of the Joint Committee on Private Bill Legislation be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take into consideration that part of the said Message.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords to examine into the present system of Private Bill Legislation, and to report how far and in what manner, without prejudice to public interests, that system may be modified, with a view to the interests of Suitors, the economy of the time of Parliament, and the Reduction of Costs and Charges, do meet in Room No. 1, Upper Corridor, upon Friday next, at half-past Three of the clock.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint their Lordships that this House hath directed the said Committee to meet in Room 1, Upper Corridor, upon Friday next, at half-past Three of the clock: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to agree in the appointment of a Chairman.

Ordered,

Law and Courts
of Justice, and
Legal Pro-
cedure.

Standing
Orders.

South Stafford
shire Tram-
ways.

Tuscan Gas
Company
(Limited.)

Message from
the Lords.

Private Bill
Legislation.

Chatham and
Brompton
Tramways
(Abandon-
ment) Bill
[Lords.]

Lanarkshire
and Ayrshire
Railway
(Capital) Bill
[Lords.]

Clyde Naviga-
tion Bill
[Lords.]

Private Bill
Legislation.

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

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment) Bill
[Lords.]

The *Chatham and Brompton Tramways* (Abandonment) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Capital) Bill
[Lords.]

The *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway* (Capital) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Clyde Navigation Bill
[Lords.]

The *Clyde Navigation* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill.

The *Access to Mountains* (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

The *Liquor Traffic Local Veto* (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Housing of Working Classes* (London) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April.

Accumulations Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Accumulations* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

Deacons (Church of England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Deacons* (Church of England) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Legal Proceedings* (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

Fishing in Rivers Bill.

The *Fishing in Rivers* Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.

The *Distress for Rent* (Dublin) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Solicitors' Annual Certificate* (Duty Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

Industrial Agricultural Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Industrial Agricultural Education* Bill;

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

London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant April.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Mining Accidents Insurance* (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Stipendiary Magistrates* (Pensions) Bill;

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Sir Richard Temple, } 37.

Yeas, { Baron Dimsdale: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Henry J. Wilson, } 44.

Noes, { Mr. Clancy: }

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Vacant Grounds* (Nuisances Prevention) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Jurors' Detention* Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Building Societies Act* (1874) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Architects' Registration* Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Steam Engines and Boilers* Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Fenwick, } 96.

Yeas, { Mr. Abraham (Glamorgan): }

Tellers for the { Mr. Addison, } 147.

Noes, { Mr. Tomlinson: }

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Crofters' Holdings* (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

And (No. 2) Bill.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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Dr. Cameron rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put":

But Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the said Debate.

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Mackintosh, } 90.
Yeas, { Dr. Macdonald:

Tellers for the (Mr. Mark Stewart, } 126.
Noes, { Lord Elcho:

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Coroners' Election Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

Theatres (Metropolis) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

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

Public Worship Facilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Worship Facilities Bill;

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

Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant April.

Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill;

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

Partnership Bill.

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

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

And, it being One of the clock in the morning, the Debate stood adjourned; and Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put till this day.

Wednesday, 18th April, 1888.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the *Keble College Bill* be read the third time To-morrow. *Keble College Bill [Lords.]*

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Hexham Local Board Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Keswick Gas Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. J. G. Talbot reported from the Committee on *Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [Application of Forfeited Deposit]*, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient that the Sum of Four thousand nine hundred and two pounds eleven shillings, balance of the Sum deposited as security for the completion of the Railways authorised by "The *Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Act, 1882*," invested in the *Three per Centum Consolidated Bank Annuities*, and now liable to forfeiture, shall, subject to the provisions of Sections forty-seven and forty-eight of the said Act, remain as a security for the completion of the portions of the Railway No. 1 authorised by the said Act, the powers to construct which are by the *Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill* now pending in this House revived as if the same had never been liable to forfeiture.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill*, That they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under "The *Metropolitan Police Act, 1886*," relating to Lands in the Parishes of *Saint Mary, Newington (Surrey)*, *Saint Pancras (Middlesex)*, *Saint Dunstan, Stepney (Middlesex)*, *Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington (Middlesex)*, and *Elstree (Hertford)*: And that Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* and Mr. Secretary *Matthews* do prepare, and bring it in. *Metropolitan Police Provisional Order.*

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the City of *Coventry*, the Rural Sanitary Districts of the *Cockermouth and Shardlow Unions*, and the City of *Worcester*: And that Mr. *Long* and Mr. *Ritchie* do prepare, and bring it in. *Local Government Provisional Orders.*

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Local Government District of *Affreton*, the Borough of *Cardiff*, the Local Government Districts of *Leadgate* and *Llanfrechfa Upper*, the Port of *Lowestoft*, the Local Government Districts of *Oswaldtwistle*, and *South Gosforth*, and the Improvement Act District of *Spalding*: And that Mr. *Long* and Mr. *Ritchie* do prepare, and bring it in. *Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.)*

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Orders under the provisions of "The *Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876*," as amended and extended by "The *Poor Law Act, 1879*," relating to the Parishes of *Asheldam*, *Black Notley*, *Bradwell* near-

near-Coggeshall, Cressing, Dengie, Fairstead, Feering, Goldhanger, Great Coggeshall, Great Totham, Kelvedon, Langford, Little Coggeshall, Little Totham, Mayland, Pattiswicke, Purlleigh, Rivenhall, Saint Lawrence, Saint Mary's, Saint Peter's, Southminster, Steeple, Stisted, Stow Maries, Terling, Tollesbury, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Tolleshunt Knights, Tolleshunt Major, Ulting, White Notley, and Wickham Bishop: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Townships of Foston, Heslerton West, Ideridgehay-and-Alton, Ireton Wood, Kirk Ireton, Scamston, Thornton-le-Clay, Thorp Bassett, and Yeddingham: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 3.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Barnston, Bowers Gifford, Corringham, Downham, Dunton, Fobbing, Great Bardfield, Great Dunmow, High Easter, High Roothing, Laindon (two), Langdon Hills, Lee Chapel, Little Bardfield, Little Warley, Nevendon, Pitsea, Ramsden Bell House, and Vange: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 4.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Aberffraw, Ceidio, Edeyrn, Llandogged, Llandudwen, Llangadwaladr, Llanrhydwyn, Nevin, Trefriew, and Tydweiliog, and to the Townships of Llanrwst and Tre-Gwydir: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 5.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Avington, Berstead, Brixton, Brook, Calbourne, Easton, Gatcombe, Itchen Abbas, Itchen Stoke, Kingston, Saint Nicholas, Shalfleet, Shorwell, Thornham, and Wootton: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.

Bill 212.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under "The Metropolitan Police Act, 1886," relating to Lands in the Parishes of Saint Mary, Newington (Surrey), Saint Pancras (Middlesex), Saint Dunstan, Stepney (Middlesex), Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington (Middlesex), and Elstree (Hertford): And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders Bill.

Bill 213.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the City of Coventry, the Rural Sanitary Districts of the Cochemouth and Shard-

low Unions, and the City of Worcester: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Local Government District of Alfreton, the Borough of Cardiff, the Local Government Districts of Leadgate and Llanfrechfa Upper, the Port of Lowestoft, the Local Government Districts of Oswaldtwistle and South Gosforth, and the Improvement Act District of Spalding: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Orders under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Asheldham, Black Notley, Bradwell-near-Coggeshall, Cressing, Dengie, Fairstead, Feering, Goldhanger, Great Coggeshall, Great Totham, Kelvedon, Langford, Little Coggeshall, Little Totham, Mayland, Pattiswicke, Purlleigh, Rivenhall, Saint Lawrence, Saint Mary's, Saint Peter's, Southminster, Steeple, Stisted, Stow Maries, Terling, Tollesbury, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Tolleshunt Knights, Tolleshunt Major, Ulting, White Notley, and Wickham Bishop: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the Provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Townships of Foston, Heslerton West, Ideridgehay-and-Alton, Ireton Wood, Kirk Ireton, Scamston, Thornton-le-Clay, Thorp Bassett, and Yeddingham: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Barnston, Bowers Gifford, Corringham, Downham, Dunton, Fobbing, Great Bardfield, Great Dunmow, High Easter, High Roothing, Laindon (two), Langdon Hills, Lee Chapel, Little Bardfield, Little Warley, Nevendon, Pitsea, Ramsden Bell House, and Vange: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Aberffraw, Ceidio, Edeyrn, Llandogged, Llandudwen, Llangadwaladr, Llanrhydwyn, Nevin, Trefriew, and Tydweiliog, and to the Townships of Llanrwst and Tre-Gwydir:

Tre-Gwydir: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 5) Bill.
Bill 219.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of *Avington, Berstead, Brixton, Brook, Calbourne, Easton, Gutcombe, Itchen Abbas, Itchen Stoke, Kingston, Saint Nicholas, Shalfleet, Shorwell, Thornham, and Wootton*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act
(1887), Arrest
of a Member
(Mr. William
O'Brien.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter relating to the Arrest of a Member of this House:—

Castlereagh,
17th April 1888.

Sir,
I have the honour to inform you that Mr. William O'Brien, M.P. for North East *Cork*, was arrested on warrant on 14th inst., brought before me at *Loughrea*, County *Galway*, on 15th inst., and released on bail to appear at *Loughrea* Petty Session on Thursday 19th inst.

N. S. Townsend,

Resident Magistrate at *Loughrea*.

The Right Honble.

The Speaker, House of Commons, London.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Ninth
Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Marriage with
a Deceased
Wife's Sister
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Heneage, } 239.
 { Mr. Kelly: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Salt, } 182.
 { Colonel Makins: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 27th day of this instant April.

Agricultural
Labourers'
Holidays (Scot-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

School Board
for London
(Pensions)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* (Pensions) Bill;

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

Metropolitan
Board of
Works (Local
Management,
&c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Local Management, &c.) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Tenure Second Reading of the Land Tenure (*Scotland*) (Scotland) Bill; Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Colonial Second Reading of the Colonial Marriages Bill; Marriages Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (*India*) Bill; Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (*India*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3rd day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Acts Second Reading of the Companies Acts Consoli- Consolidation and Amendment Bill; dation and Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Friendly Societies Act Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill; Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Voters Bill; Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Mining Leases Committee on the Mining Leases (*Cornwall* and (*Cornwall* and *Devon*) Bill; *Devon*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Intestates Second Reading of the Intestates Estates Bill; Estates Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fishery Acts Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment Amendment (*Ireland*) Bill; (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Tenure of Second Reading of the Tenure of Houses in Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill; Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill; (Seamen's Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Steam Boilers Second Reading of the Steam Boilers Bill; Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Assizes Relief Second Reading of the Assizes Relief Bill; Bill.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Hares Preservation Committee on the Hares Preservation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee:

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing of the
Committee on the Housing of the Working Working
Classes Bill; Classes Bill.

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification of Guardians of the Poor: And that Mr. Henry J. Wilson, Mr. Stuart, Mr. M^r Laren, Mr. James Rowlands, and Mr. Broadhurst do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Henry J. Wilson accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification of Guardians of the Poor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of this instant April.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant April.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 13th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Distress for Rent (*Dublin*) Bill :

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of this instant April, That the Partnership Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds (*Ireland*) Bill :

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (*Ireland*) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intermediate Education (*Wales*) Bill ;

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THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the **Kemble College**
Third Reading of the *Kemble College Bill*: Bill [*Lords.*]

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is inexpedient that the privilege of exemption from the Mortmain Act, enjoyed by the Colleges in the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, should be extended to any College which, though situate at *Oxford*, is not incorporated with the University, and which is restricted to the members of a particular Church," instead thereof.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. J. G. Talbot,
Sir John Mowbray: } 125.

Tellers for the Noes. { *Mr. Courtney Kenny,*
 { *Mr. John Ellis:* } 127.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by inserting, after the word "extended," the words "by a Private Bill."

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And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "it is inexpedient that the privilege of exemption from the Mortmain Act, enjoyed by the Colleges in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, should be extended by a Private Bill to any College which, though situate at Oxford, is not incorporated with the University, and which is restricted to the members of a particular Church," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That it is inexpedient that the privilege of exemption from the Mortmain Act, enjoyed by the Colleges in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, should be extended by a Private Bill to any College which, though situate at Oxford, is not incorporated with the University, and which is restricted to the members of a particular Church.

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brecon and Merthyr* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Vauxhall Park Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Vauxhall Park* Bill, That they do provide that the purchase of the Park be not made until the opinion of the ratepayers of *Lambeth* has been taken on the desirability of such purchase:—It passed in the Negative.

Standing Orders.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carew* be added to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861," relating to *Broadford, Clevedon, Cromer, Curran, Hopeman, Millpoint, Saint Ives*, and *Southbourne*: And that Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* and Mr. *Jackson* do prepare and bring it in.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill.

Sir *M. Hicks Beach* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861," relating to *Broadford, Clevedon, Cromer, Curran, Hopeman, Millpoint, Saint Ives*, and *Southbourne*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Arrest of a Member) (Mr. Dillon.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter relating to the Arrest of a Member of this House:—

Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887.

The Queen v. *Dillon*.

Co. *Louth*.

Drogheda,

18th April 1888.

Sir,

I have to report that, on the 17th inst., Mr. *John Dillon*, M.P. for *East Mayo*, was brought before me at *Drogheda*, in the County of *Louth*, charged under the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, that he did at *Tullyallen*, in the County of *Louth*, on the 8th day of April 1888, incite certain persons to take part in a criminal conspiracy to compel and induce certain

tenants in divers parts of *Ireland* not to fulfil their legal obligations, that is, to refuse to pay their rents. Mr. *Dillon* was admitted to Bail, himself in the sum of £. 200 and two sureties in £. 100 each, to appear and answer said charge before a Court constituted under above Act at *Mell*, in the County of *Louth*, on the 9th of May 1888.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

John M. Kilkelly,

Resident Magistrate for County of *Louth*.

To the Right Honble.

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Ninth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Honiton Lace* Industry, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant April be printed.

Honiton Lace Industry. No. 124.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 296 to 299, 301 to 304, and 306.

Trade Reports. (Annual Series.)

Copy of further Report respecting the Status of Aliens and Foreign Companies in the United States (in continuation of Commercial, No. 4, 1888).

Aliens and Foreign Companies (United States) (Commercial, No. 6, 1888.)

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

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract of Returns relating to Pilots and Pilotage in the United Kingdom (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 159, of Session 1887) (as furnished by the various Pilotage Authorities), Year ended 31st December 1887.

Pilotage.

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

Mr. *Woodall* reported from the Committee on the South Eastern Railway Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board as to Clauses 26, 29, and 39 was laid before the Committee. Clauses 29 and 39 were struck out of the Bill as submitted to the Committee, and as to Clause 26, "Restrictions on displacing persons of labouring class," the Committee adopted the suggestion contained in the said Report. That, in pursuance of an Instruction from the House of the 13th day of April 1888, the Committee had made provision in the Bill authorising the repayment to the depositors, subject to the provisions of the Act referred to in the said Instruction, of the sum of seven thousand four hundred and seventy-one pounds eight shillings and three pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities.

South Eastern Railway Bill.

Mr. *Woodall* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The Order made upon the 16th day of March last, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to the Metropolitan Police Constables (Assaults), was read, and discharged.

Metropolitan Police Constables (Assaults).

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Victoria University Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, Tomorrow, the *Victoria University Bill*, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of this instant April.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant April, That the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill be now read a second time;

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

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Electors Bill;

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

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Wine Duties.

Question again proposed, That, in addition to the Duties of Customs payable on Wine before the Twenty-seventh day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, there shall, where the Wine is imported in bottles, be levied and charged the Duties following (that is to say):—

Upon every dozen bottles of Wine—	£.	s.	d.
If in imperial half-pint bottles or bottles of less capacity -	-	1	3
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial half pint bottles, and not exceeding imperial pint bottles -	-	2	6
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial pint bottles, and not exceeding imperial quart bottles -	-	5	-
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial quart bottles, and not exceeding two imperial quarts -	-	10	-
If in bottles of capacity exceeding two imperial quarts -	-	1	-

Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Railway and Canal Traffic Bill [*Lords*].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill;

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

Customs and Inland Revenue Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill;

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

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Glebe Lands Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vexatious Indictments (*Amendment*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Wales and Monmouthshire*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Speeches in Parliament Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Boards (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

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

The Land Law (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered,

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

Fishing in Rivers Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mining Leases (Cornwall and Devon) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Mining Leases (Cornwall and Devon) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Advance from Irish Reproductive Loan Fund).

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Partnership Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of this instant April, That the Partnership Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill.

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

Hares Preservation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Education (Scotland) (New Code, 1888.)

A Motion was made and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her to withhold Her assent from so much of the Code (1888) of the Scotch Education Department as imposes on the earning of grants for cookery a new restriction not imposed in the English Code; and further praying Her Majesty to withhold Her assent from so much of the said Code as, contrary to the usage in England, includes grants for drawing in reckoning the total of 17 s. 6 d. per scholar in average attendance, to which the amount which may be earned by school managers is limited:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 20th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SIR Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th, 12th, 13th, 16th, and 17th days of this instant April; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

London and Saint Katherine and East and West India Docks Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe Tramways Bill.

Glasgow Corporation Bill.

Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway Bill.

Porthainleyn Railway Bill.

Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Life Association of Scotland Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Assam Company Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Lincolnshire Police Superannuation Bill was read the third time, and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ayr and District Tramways Abandonment Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Worcester and Broom Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under "The Tramways Act, 1870," relating to Barrow-in-Furness Tramways, Birmingham and Western Districts Tramways, Bradford Corporation Tramways, Leeds Corporation Tramways, Newbury and Lamborne

Lamborne Tramway, Pontypridd and Rhondda Valley Tramways, and Stratford, Ilford, and Romford Tramways: And that Sir Michael Hicks Beach and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under "The Tramways Act, 1870," relating to Barrow-in-Furness Tramways, Birmingham and Western Districts Tramways, Bradford Corporation Tramways, Leeds Corporation Tramways, Newbury and Lamborne Tramway, Pontypridd and Rhondda Valley Tramways, and Stratford, Ilford, and Romford Tramways: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Ninth Report.

Pilotage.

No. 125.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Pilotage, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant April, be printed.

Public Meetings in Metropolitan Open Spaces.

No. 126.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Public Meetings in Metropolitan Open Spaces.

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

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886 (Crofters' Commission)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report under the "Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886," by the Crofters' Commission to Her Majesty's Secretary for Scotland in regard to applications for Enlargement of Holdings.

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

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 300 and 305.

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

Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3rd day of May next.

East India (Financial Statement.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Indian Financial Statement for 1888-9, and of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council of the Governor General upon the Bill for the Amendment of the Indian Tariff Act.

Orders of the Day (Supply.)

Ordered, That Standing Order No. 11, appointing the Committee of Supply to be the first Order of the Day on Fridays, be read and suspended, and that the Orders of the Day for the Second Reading of the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill, and the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill, have precedence of the Committee of Supply.

Factors Acts Consolidation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Factors Acts: VOL. 143.

And that Sir John Lubbock, Mr. Baring, Mr. William Beckett, Mr. Rathbone, Mr. Robert Reid, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, and Mr. Whitley do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Friendly Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Collecting Friendly Societies: And that Sir John Lubbock, Dr. Cameron, Dr. Commins, Mr. Whitley, and Mr. Charles Wilson do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir John Lubbock presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Factors Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant April; and to be printed. Bill 223.

Sir John Lubbock presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Collecting Friendly Societies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of May next; and to be printed. Bill 224.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Army (Annual) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the East India (Purchase and Construction of Railways) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to Bangor and Warrenpoint; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. Bill [Lords.]

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Bangor and Warrenpoint) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed. Bill 225.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant April, That the Local Government (England and Wales) 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;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And, it being Midnight, Mr. Speaker rose to interrupt the Debate;

Saturday, 21st April, 1888:

Whereupon Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

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Supply.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill. And, Objection being taken, the further Proceedings stood adjourned. <i>Ordered</i> , That the further Proceedings be deferred till Tuesday next.
Ways and Means.	Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth: That, in addition to the Duties of Customs payable on Wine before the twenty-seventh day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, there shall, where the Wine is imported in bottles, be levied and charged the Duties following (that is to say): Upon every dozen bottles of Wine— If in imperial half-pint bottles or bottles of less capacity - - - - - If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial half-pint bottles, and not exceeding imperial pint bottles - - - - - If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial pint bottles, and not exceeding imperial quart bottles - - - - - If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial quart bottles, and not exceeding two imperial quarts - - - - - If in bottles of capacity exceeding two imperial quarts - - - - - £. s. d. - 1 3 - 2 6 - 5 - - 10 - 1 - -	Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill. And, Objection being taken, the further Proceedings stood adjourned. <i>Ordered</i> , That the further Proceedings be deferred till Tuesday next.
Wine Duties.	The said Resolution, being read a second time; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:— And a Debate arising thereupon; And, Objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Bankruptcy Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill.
	The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Parliamentary Voters Bill.
	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.
Pursuant to S.O. (No. 1.)	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.	Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	
Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next.	
Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.	Fishing in Rivers Bill.
Trawling (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.	Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.
Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Hares Preservation Bill.
Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant April, That the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.	Housing of the Working Classes Bill.
Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	East India Officers.
	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant April, That the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.	East India Officers Bill.
	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	Bill 226.
	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 23rd April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(No Standing
Orders not
previously in-
quired into
applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:
Clyde Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders appli-
cable thereto
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment) Bill.

Holsworthy and Bude Railway Bill.

Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Capital) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Brecon and
Merthyr Rail-
way Bill.

The *Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

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

Great Western
and Great
Northern Junc-
tion Railway
Bill.

The *Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

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

Hexham Local
Board Bill.

The *Hexham Local Board Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

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

Keswick Gas
Bill.

The *Keswick Gas Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

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

Assam Com-
pany Bill
[Lords.]

The *Assam Company Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Didcot, New-
bury, and
Southampton
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Helston and
Porthleven
Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Helston and Porthleven Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Isle of Axholme
Railway
Abandonment
Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment) Bill*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Llangamarch
and Neath and
Brecon Junc-
tion Railway
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Llangamarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill*.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Deposits for Bills not to be paid out of Capital) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The *Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the *Horse Guards Avenue Bill* be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Water Provisional Orders Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870," relating to *Herne Bay Water, Kettering Water, Mid-Kent Water, and Wotton Estate Water*: And that Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* and Mr *Jackson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870," relating to *Herne Bay Water, Kettering Water, Mid-Kent Water, and Wotton Estate Water*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

A Petition of the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company*, praying that additional Provision may be made in the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill*, for confirming an Agreement as to the execution of Works at *Thornhill Lees*, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Ninth
Report.

Sir *John Gorst* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *East India (Financial Statement)*.

East India
(Financial
Statement.)

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

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of September, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of Convictions made, and Search Warrants issued, during the past five years, under any of the following Acts:—1 *Ann. Stat. 2, c. 22, ss. 1, 2*; 9 *Geo. 1, c. 27*; 12 *Geo. 1, c. 34, s. 2*; 13 *Geo. 1, c. 26, ss. 10, 31, 32*; 13 *Geo. 2, c. 8*; 15 *Geo. 2, c. 27*; 22 *Geo. 2, c. 27*; 27 *Geo. 2, c. 7*; 14 *Geo. 3, c. 25*; 14 *Geo. 3, c. 44*; 17 *Geo. 3, c. 55, s. 3*; 17 *Geo. 3, c. 56*; 28 *Geo. 3, c. 55*; 51 *Geo. 3, c. 41*;—And, of Searchers, Measurers, Inspectors, or Supervisors appointed in pursuance of the following Acts:—5 *Geo. 3, c. 51*; 6 *Geo. 3, c. 23*; 17 *Geo. 3, c. 11*; 24 *Geo. 3, Sess. 2, c. 3*; 25 *Geo. 3, c. 40*; 31 *Geo. 3, c. 56*.

Labour Acts
(Convictions
and Officers.)
No. 127.

Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of March last, for a Return relative to Bankruptcy and Arrangement Petitions.

Bankruptcy
and Arrange-
ment Petitions.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *Labourers (Ireland) Acts (Cottages)*.

Labourers (Ire-
land) Acts
(Cottages.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Labour Acts (Convictions and Officers) do lie upon the

the Table, and be printed; and that the other Returns do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 307 to 311.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

Copy of Report on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 89.

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

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Im-
prisonment of
Members.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letters, relating to the imprisonment of two Members of this House:—

Ennis, Co. Clare,
20th April 1888.

(Mr. Cox.)

Sir,
I have the honour to inform you that Mr. *Joseph Richard Cox*, Member of Parliament for the Eastern Division of the County of *Clare*, was this day, upon an Appeal from the decision of two Resident Magistrates, brought before me, as Acting County Court Judge of this County, convicted of an offence under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," and sentenced to be imprisoned for one calendar month; and that he has been by my warrant committed to the Gaol of *Limerick*, and is now confined there pursuant to his sentence.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

William Hickson.

To the Right Honourable The Speaker.

Letterkenny,
19th April 1888.

(Mr. Blane.)

Sir,
I beg leave to inform you that I have to-day confirmed the conviction of Mr. *Alexander Blane*, a Member of the House of Commons, on the charge of inciting persons to take part in a criminal conspiracy, and that I have sentenced him to be imprisoned for the period of six calendar months in the Prison of *Londonderry*.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Thos. S. Webb,

County Court Judge of *Donegal*.

To the Right Honble.

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Standing Com-
mittee on Law
and Courts of
Justice and
Legal Pro-
cedure.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure, have leave to print and circulate with the Votes the Minutes of their Proceedings from day to day.

Standing Com-
mittee on Law
and Courts of
Justice and
Legal Pro-
cedure.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure, have leave to print and circulate with the Votes any amended Clauses of Bills committed to them from time to time.

Bankruptcy
Acts, 1869 and
1883 (Costs of
Administration
of Estates,
Per-centage of
Estates
Closed.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns showing the Number of Cases and Per-centage of Costs to gross Assets in Cases closed by Trustees under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1869," in the three years 1881, 1882, and 1883, and by Official Receivers and Non-official Trustees under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883," in the three years 1884, 1885, and 1886:—And, showing the Adjudications made under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1869," during the three years 1881, 1882, and 1883, and of those made under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883," during

the three years 1884, 1885, and 1886, showing the Per-centage of Estates actually closed in each year by Non-official Trustees and by Official Receivers respectively, in the following Forms:—

Class.	Number of Cases.		Per-centage of Costs to Gross Assets.	
	1869 Act.		1883 Act.	
	Official Receivers.	Non-Official Receivers.	Official Receivers.	Non-Official Trustees.
Under £. 50				
£. 50 and under £. 100				
£. 100 and under £. 150				
&c.				

Under Act of 1869.				Under Act of 1883.													
For Year—	Per-centage closed during—			For Year—	Total Per-centage closed during—			By Non-Official Trustees.			By Official Receiver.						
	One Year.	Two Years.	Three Years.		One Year.	Two Years.	Three Years.	Total Number of Adjudications made during Year and Admin- istered by Trustee.	Per-centage closed during—	One Year.	Two Years.	Three Years.	Total Number of Adjudications made during Year and Admin- istered by Trustee.	Per-centage closed during—	One Year.	Two Years.	Three Years.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Debtors (Scotland) Return of Information in regard to the operation of "The Debtors (Scotland) Act, 1880."

Ordered, That Mr. *Heneage* be discharged from Emigration and further attendance on the Select Committee on Immigration (Foreigners), and that Mr. *Kenrick* be added to the Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant April, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—

That, in addition to the Duties of Customs Wine payable on Wine before the Twenty-seventh day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, there shall, where the Wine is imported in bottles, be levied and charged the Duties following (that is to say):—

Upon every dozen bottles of Wine—	£.	s.	d.
If in imperial half-pint bottles or bottles of less capacity	-	1	8
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial half-pint bottles, and not exceeding imperial pint bottles	-	2	6
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial pint bottles, and not exceeding imperial quart bottles	-	5	-
If in bottles of capacity exceeding imperial quart bottles, and not exceeding two imperial quarts	-	10	-
If in bottles of capacity exceeding two imperial quarts	-	1	-

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 it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House was moved, That the 7th Resolution, which, upon the 10th day of this instant April, was reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, and then agreed to by the House, might be read; and the same being read, as followeth:—

That

(Excise Duties)—
Carriages,
Trade Carts,
Horses, &c.
and Horse-
dealers.

That the Duties of Excise for Carriages now payable in *Great Britain* shall cease to be payable on and after the First day of January, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and on and after that day there shall be granted, charged, and paid for the use of Her Majesty in *Great Britain* in each year the following Duties of Excise (that is to say):—

For every Carriage as hereinafter defined—	£	s.	d.
If such Carriage shall have four or more Wheels, and shall be drawn, or be adapted or fitted to be drawn, by two or more Horses or Mules, or shall be drawn or propelled by mechanical power—	2	2	—
If such Carriage shall have four or more Wheels, and shall be drawn, or be adapted or fitted to be drawn, by one Horse or Mule only—	1	1	—
If such Carriage shall have less than four Wheels—	—	15	—
For every Hackney Carriage as hereinafter defined—	—	15	—
For every Trade Cart as hereinafter defined of the weight of Two Hundredweight or upwards—	—	—	—
In respect of each Wheel thereof—	2	6	—
And also where the weight of any Trade Cart exceeds Ten Hundredweight, a further Duty of—	1	—	—
For every Locomotive or Traction Engine propelled upon a road—	5	—	—
For every Horsedealer—	15	—	—
For every Horse which shall start or run for any plate, prize, or sum of money or other thing—	5	—	—
For every other Horse or Mule—	1	—	—

Subject to exemption from the last-mentioned Duty of One Pound in favour of Horses or Mules of the description following (that is to say):

- (1.) A Foal, Colt, or Filly, or Mule which shall never have been used for any purpose of draught or riding;
- (2.) A Pony or Mule under the height of Thirteen Hands of Four Inches to each Hand;
- (3.) A Horse or Mule kept solely for the purposes of trade or husbandry;
- (4.) A Mare kept for the sole purpose of breeding;
- (5.) A Horse or Mule kept by a licensed Horsedealer on his premises for sale, and which shall not be let for hire;

For the purposes of this Resolution the following terms therein used shall have the meanings hereinafter assigned to them respectively:—

"Carriage" means and includes any vehicle drawn by a Horse or Mule, or Horses or Mules, or drawn or propelled upon a road or tramway, or elsewhere than upon a railway, by steam or electricity, or any other mechanical power, but shall not include a "Hackney Carriage," or "Trade Cart," or "Farm Cart," as herein defined;

"Hackney Carriage" means any Carriage standing or plying for hire, which is drawn by one Horse or Mule only, and includes any Carriage let for hire by a coachmaker, or other person whose trade or business it is to sell Carriages or to let Carriages for hire, provided that such Carriage is not let for a period amounting to three months or more;

"Trade Cart" means and includes any Waggon, Cart, or other such vehicle drawn by a Horse or Mule, or Horses or Mules, or drawn or propelled upon a road or tramway, or elsewhere than upon a railway, by steam or electricity, or any other mechanical power, which is constructed or adapted for use, and is used, solely for the conveyance of any goods or burden in the course of trade, and whereon the Christian name and surname, and place of abode, or place of business of the owner, or the name and style and principal or only place of business of the Company or Firm owning the same shall be visibly and legibly painted in letters of not less than one inch in length;

"Farm Cart" means and includes any Waggon, Cart, or other such vehicle according to the preceding definition of "Trade Cart," such definition being construed as if the words "husbandry or the business of a market gardener" were therein substituted for the word "trade."

Customs and
Inland
Revenue Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to so much of the said Resolution

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as relates to Excise Duties on Carriages and Hackney Carriages.

Excise Duties
on Carriages
and Hackney
Carriages.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill;

Customs and
Inland Revenue
Bill.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, after Parliament shall have made the appropriations it may deem just in relief of local rates, the Duties accruing upon Deaths should be

Death Duty
upon Real
and Personal
Property.

fixed as to equalise the charge upon Real and Personal Property respectively," instead thereof. And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 310.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 217.
Mr. Marjoribanks:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

A Motion was made and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Glebe Lands Bill;

Glebe Lands
Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Land Law (Ire-
land) (Land
Commission)
Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Criminal
Evidence Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant April, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Supreme Court
of Judicature
(Ireland)
Amendment
Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill;

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

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Ordered,

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

Excise Duties
(Local Purposes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

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

Local Government
(England and Wales)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill;

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

Local Government
(England and Wales)
Electors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill;

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

Supply.

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

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

Ways and Means.

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

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

Representation of the People
Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill;

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

University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of May next.

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

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

Sheriff Courts
(Scotland)
Extracts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

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

Small Debts
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

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

Queen Anne's
Bounty Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Queen Anne's Bounty Bill;

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

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

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

Registration of Firms Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

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

Intermediate Education
(Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bankruptcy Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing of the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 24th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE *Ayr* and District Tramways Abandonment Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Horse Guards Avenue Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, viz.:

Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders [Bangor and Warrenpoint] Bill.

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

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered,

Public Petitions.
Vide Ninth Report.

East India
(Financial
Statement.)
No. 128.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Financial Statement), which was presented upon the 23rd day of this instant April, be printed.

Solicitors and
Law Clerks
(Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of March last, for a Return relative to Solicitors and Law Clerks (Ireland).

Pharmacy Act
(Ireland) 1875.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 18th April 1888, approving of certain additional Regulations made by the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland.

Supreme Court
of Judicature
(Ireland) Act,
1877.

Copies of Four Orders in Council, dated 18th April 1888, by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of Ireland, giving effect to Rules of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland, for carrying into effect the Acts therein mentioned.

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

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 313 to 317.

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

Kalk Bay and
Simon's Bay
Railway.

Baron *De Worms* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to the *Kalk Bay and Simon's Bay Railway*.

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

Education
(Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in (Scotland), dated 23rd April 1888, suspending the operation of Article 21 of the Code of 1888.

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

Private Bills
(Group C.)

Mr. *Charles Acland* reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Foreign
Museums
(Opening on
Sunday.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Hours of Opening, Organisation of Staff, and Conditions of Admission on Sundays, in Summer and Winter, in the National and Municipal Museums, Galleries, and Collections of the Cities of *Paris, Berlin, Amsterdam, New York, and Philadelphia*.

Metropolitan
Police
Constables
(Charges.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Cases in which Metropolitan Police Constables have been charged before Metropolitan Police Magistrates, or upon Indictment, during the past Twelve Months, with Assaults or other Offences, giving Dates, Names, and Particulars, and showing by whom the Prosecution was conducted, and the Decision thereupon of every Court which had cognisance of such Charge; specifying also in what cases provision was made for the Defence by the Treasury,

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Police Authorities, or otherwise, and the Total Cost of such provision in each case respectively.

The Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed. Lunacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 228.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Aberdeen District Tramways Bill*; That, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 20th March, the Committee had made provision in the Bill authorising the Repayment of the Sum of One thousand five hundred pounds, being the Sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The *Aberdeen District Tramways Extension Act, 1878*," and the Interest or Dividend thereon.

Mr. *Courtney* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, in order to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *Govan Burgh Bill*, with Amendments. Govan Burgh
Bill [Lords.]

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

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Limpfield and Oxted Water Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the Objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. *Courtney* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and had verbally amended the same in order to make the same consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill; and amended the same by striking out a recital as to certain arrears of dividend which had now been paid off, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the several Parishes in *England and Wales*, excluding the Metropolis, in which there is either (1) a Statutory or Select Vestry, or (2) a Vestry elected under the 1 and 2 Will. 4, c. 60 (*Hobhouse's Act*). Vestries,
Parishes
(England and
Wales.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing with respect to each Division of a County in *England and Wales* the Number of County Voters on the Register for 1888, distinguishing them according

according to their Qualifications, and, in the case of Ownership and Occupation Voters, setting forth separately those Resident in the Constituency and those Non-resident therein, in the following Form :—

County.	Division.	Number of Voters on Register for 1888.								
		Ownership Voters.			Occupation Voters.			Lodgers.	Total for each Division.	Total for each County.
		Resident.	Non-Resident.	Total.	Resident.	Non-Resident.	Total.			
	Totals									

Voters in
Boroughs
(England and
Wales.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing, with respect to each Parliamentary Borough and Division of a Borough in *England and Wales*, the Number of Borough Voters on the Register for 1888, distinguishing them according to their Qualifications, and in the case of Occupation Voters and Freemen, Freeholders, and other Ancient Rights, setting forth separately those Resident in the Constituency and those Non-Resident therein, the Boroughs to be arranged in County order, and, where they are grouped, the information to be given for each Borough in addition to the Totals for the whole District of Boroughs, in the following Form :—

County.	Borough.	Division, when divided.	Number of Voters on Register for 1888.								
			Occupation Voters.				Freemen Freeholders and other Ancient Rights.			Total for each Division.	Total for each Borough.
			Resident.	Non-Resident.	Total.	Lodgers.	Resident.	Non-Resident.	Total.		
		Totals									

Adjournment. Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Member for *Londonderry City*, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, *viz.*, the departure from the long established practice in the *Irish* County Courts, by the new system of increasing Sentences in Criminal Cases on Appeal, as in the instances of the Reverend Mr. *MacFadden*, P.P., Mr. *Blane*, M.P., Mr. *Flanagan*, Messrs. *Caffey*, *Kilmartin*, and *Higgins*; but, the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the } Mr. *Arnold Morley*, } 165.
Yeas, { Mr. *Marjoribanks*;

Tellers for the } Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 219.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*;

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House, having regard to the disastrous physical and moral effects of the Liquor Traffic among uncivilised races, as well as the injury it inflicts on legitimate commerce, is of opinion that Her Majesty's Government should take steps to suppress the traffic with Natives in all Native Territories under its influence or control, and that whenever self-governing powers are granted to Crown Colonies, stipulations should be made for the effectual protection of the Natives against the sale of strong drink :—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House, having regard to the disastrous physical and moral effects of the Liquor Traffic among uncivilised races, as well as the injury it inflicts on legitimate commerce, will cordially support the Imperial and Colonial Governments in their endeavours to suppress the traffic in Spirituous Liquors with Natives in all Native Territories under their influence and control.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, *Woolwich*, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861, and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870, or later, that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873 :—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Wednesday, 25th April, 1888 :

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing by Counties the Number of Criminal Cases, Instances in which Sentences in Criminal Cases were increased in *Ireland* on Appeal during each of the years 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board Elections (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Life Leases Conversion Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered,

	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill; Detention Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of May next.
Limited Owners (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Owners (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Worship Facilities Bill; Public Worship Facilities Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.
Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill; Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of May next.
Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill; Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.
Moveable Abodes Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill; School Board for London (Pensions) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.
Beer Adulteration Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Local Management, &c.) Bill; Metropolitan Board of Works (Local Management, &c.) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of May next.
Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill; Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next.
Clerks of the Peace Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Boilers Bill; Steam Boilers Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.
Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 11th day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill; Theatres (Metropolis) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of May next.
National School Teachers (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 11th day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Law Amendment Bill; Libel Law Amendment Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Borough Funds Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill; Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of May next.
Livery Franchise (London) Abolition Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Livery Franchise (London) Abolition Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of this instant April, That the Partnership 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; Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday the 8th day of May next.
Industrial Agricultural Education Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	
Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill; Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Trawling (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time ;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant April, That the Mountains, Rivers and Pathways (Wales) Bill be now read a second time ;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 4th day of May next.

Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill. The House, according to Order, resumed the further Proceeding on the consideration of the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee ; and Amendments were made to the Bill ; and the Short Title was amended, as followeth: Factory and Workshops (1878) Amendment (Scotland) Bill.

Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment (Scotland) Bill. *Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time :—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time ;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 16th day of May next.

Fishing in Rivers Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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

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

Queen Anne's Bounty Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Queen Anne's Bounty Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next.

Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill ;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into Criminal a Committee, upon Thursday next, on the Criminal Evidence Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 25th April, 1888.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Further protection of the Finchley Local Board), was twice read ; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Interest not to be paid on calls paid up), was twice read ; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe Tramways Bill was read a second time ; and committed.

The Glasgow Corporation Bill was read a second time ; and committed.

The Life Association of Scotland Bill was read a second time ; and committed.

Ordered, That the London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway Bill was read a second time ; and committed.

The Porthdinlleyn Railway Bill was read a second time ; and committed.

The Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill was read a second time ; and committed.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders [Bangor and Warrenpoint] Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relative to King Ja-Ja, of Opobo, and to the Opening of West African Markets to British Trade.

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

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Explosives.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twelfth Annual Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives, being for the year 1887.

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

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Imprisonment of a Member) (Mr. J. D. Pyne.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, relating to the Imprisonment of a Member of this House:

Court House, Clonmel,
Co. Tipperary,
23rd April 1888.

Sir,

I beg to inform you, that on Saturday the 21st inst., I, sitting as Chairman of Quarter Sessions of the Division of Clonmel, in this County, sentenced *J. D. Pyne*, Esq., M.P. for West Division of *Waterford*, to six weeks' imprisonment, under the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Yr. obt. servant,

James A. Wall.

To the Rt. Honble.

The Speaker of the House of Commons,
House of Parliament, Westminster.

Temperance Legislation, Scott Act, Canada.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, showing (1) The scope of the Act; (2) The Area which it covers; (3) The Counties and Cities which have adopted it; (4) Whether any Compensation was paid when the Drink Shops were closed; and, if so, what Amounts were paid; (5) The effect on Crime and Pauperism in those Cities and Counties where the Act has been in force for more than Two years; and (6) How many Contests have taken place under the Act, and in how many places has the Act been repealed and Drink Shops re-opened.

County Government (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Government (Ireland) Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House, while prepared at the proper time to take into consideration any well-matured scheme for reform of Local Government in Ireland, is of opinion that at present it is not expedient to introduce large constitutional changes in that Country," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put, (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Parnell* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. *Carew*,

Yeas, (Mr. *Illingworth*;

Tellers for the (Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,

Noes, (Colonel *Walrond*;

So it passed in the Negative.

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And the Question being put, That the words "this House, while prepared at the proper time to take into consideration any well-matured scheme for reform of Local Government in Ireland, is of opinion that at present it is not expedient to introduce large constitutional changes in that Country," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, That this House, while prepared at the proper time to take into consideration any well-matured scheme for reform of Local Government in Ireland, is of opinion that at present it is not expedient to introduce large constitutional changes in that Country.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the University Second Reading of the University Education (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary and Municipal Electors (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 4th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trees (Ireland) Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the School Board Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing of Second Reading of the Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the London Coal Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Tenure of Second Reading of the Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill;

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Ordered,

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

Assizes Relief Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes Relief Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 4th day of May next.

Personal Property (Exemption) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of May next.

Hares Preservation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill. The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill, was read, and discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 26th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment) Bill. [Lords.] THE Isle of Axholme Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read the third time, and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill. The Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Uckfield Water Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Uckfield Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Penalty for infringement of regulations) was twice read; and made part of the Bill. Then Amendments were made to the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill; Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3rd day of May next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of Shipping and Tonnage passing through the Suez Canal in 1885, 1886, and 1887 (in continuation of Commercial, No. 9, 1887). Suez Canal (Commercial, No. 7, 1888.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 312 and Nos. 318 to 324. Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Glasgow Boundaries Commission, 1888, with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix; Glasgow Boundaries Commission.

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

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Annual Returns of the Official Assignees of the Court of Bankruptcy in Ireland, showing the State of every Bankruptcy and Insolvency under their charge, for the year ending on the 31st day of December 1887. Court of Bankruptcy (Ireland.)

Copy of Rules and Programme of Examinations for 1889, made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

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

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the President of the Board of Trade on the working of the Boiler Explosions Act, 1882, for the year 1888, with Appendices (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, C. 4884). Boiler Explosions Act, 1882.

Copy of Report to the President of the Board of Trade on Recent Changes in the Prices of Exports and Imports. Exports and Imports (Changes in Prices.)

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

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of the Annual Report and General Account of the Commissioners of Arundel Port, for Period from 25th March 1887 to 25th March 1888. Arundel Port.

Abstract of the General Annual Account of the Commissioners of Bridlington Piers and Harbour, from the 26th day of July 1886 to the 26th day of July 1887. Bridlington Piers and Harbour.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number and Distribution of Lunatics in England and Wales on the 1st day of January 1888, as returned to the Commissioners in Lunacy, distinguishing the Sexes, and showing the Class (i.e. whether Private, Pauper, or Criminal) to which they belong. Lunatics (England and Wales.)

Sir Edmund Lechmere reported from the Committee on Group C. of Private Bills; That, at the meeting of the Committee this day, a Letter

Letter was received stating that Mr. Charles Acland, the Chairman of the said Committee, was unable, on account of illness, to attend the Committee this day.

Ordered That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Bristol Water Bill.

Sir Edmund Lechmere reported from the Committee on the Bristol Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board had been considered by the Committee; and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Sir Edmund Lechmere further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That Colonel Gunter, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, at the meeting of the Committee this day, a Letter was received from Mr. Charles Schwann, one of the Members of the said Committee, stating that he was unable, on account of illness, to attend the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board had been laid before the Committee and considered by them, and the recommendations therein contained had been adopted.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Railway Servants, Hours of Duty.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of weekly-paid Servants who were during the months of July 1886 and January 1887 on Duty on the Railways of the United Kingdom for more than Twelve Hours at a time, or who, after being on Duty for more than Twelve Hours, were allowed to resume work with less than Eight Hours' Rest.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Columbia Market and Railways Bill, London and Blackwall Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Columbia Market and Railways Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the times respectively limited for the compulsory purchase of Lands for and for the completion of the Works authorised by "The London and Blackwall Railway Act, 1885," and to authorise the raising of additional Capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway, to be called "The Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway," and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The London and Blackwall Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Import Duties on Tea).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 259.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Picton, } 98.
Mr. Fenwick:

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Additional Import Duties on Wine in Bottles).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 246.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 121.
Mr. Marjoribanks:

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Alteration of Duties upon Carriages).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out the words "If such carriage shall have less than four wheels, 15 s. For every hackney carriage as hereinafter defined, 15 s."

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

Friday, 27th April, 1888:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 229.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Anderson, } 72.
Mr. Waddy:

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Power to Treasury to prohibit the use of certain substances in exciseable goods).

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Glebe Lands Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day, at Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

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

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Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill;

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

Excise Duties
(Local Pur-
poses) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

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

Lunacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;

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

Official Trustee
Bill.

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

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

Metalliferous
Mines Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metalliferous Mines Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 4th day of May next.

Piers and
Harbours
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Piers and Harbours (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next.

Public Trustee
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;

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

Herring
Fishery (Scot-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 4th day of May next.

Railway and
Canal Com-
panies Charges
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill;

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

Habitual
Drunkards Act
(1879) Amend-
ment (No. 2)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

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

Land Law
(Ireland) Act
(1887) Amend-
ment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Certain assignments made without consent in writing, to be valid).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, after the word "assignment" to insert the words "alteration, sale, sub-letting or sub-division."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

A Clause (Retrospective application of Act)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

A Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2, disagreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 4th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered,

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

Quarter Sessions (Sentences.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Sentences exceeding Six Months' Hard Labour, passed by Justices in Courts of Quarter Sessions for Counties, Ridings, and Liberties in *England* and *Wales* during the year ended the 31st day of December 1887, distinguishing between Sentences of Imprisonment and Penal Servitude, classifying the Sentences of Penal Servitude according to their duration; and showing in which cases previous Convictions were proved.

And, it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till this day.

Friday, 27th April, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills [Lords] (No Standing Orders applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 4) Bill.

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

Helston and Porthleven Water Bill.

The *Helston* and *Porthleven* Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

South Eastern Railway Bill.

The *South Eastern* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Blackburn* Corporation Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Thames Tunnel (Blackwall)* Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill.

The *London* and *Saint Katharine* and *East* and *West India* Docks Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Denny and Dunipace Water.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under "The Public Health (*Scotland*) Act, 1867," relating to *Denny* and *Dunipace* Water: And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Denny and Dunipace Water) Bill.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under "The Public Health (*Scotland*) Act, 1867," relating to *Denny* and *Dunipace* Water: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Tenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Solicitors and Law Clerks (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant April, be printed.

Solicitors and Law Clerks (*Ireland*) No. 129.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Inspectors of the *Irish* Fisheries on the Sea and Inland Fisheries of *Ireland*, for 1887.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts showing the Sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police, Police Superannuation Fund, and Metropolitan Police Courts, between 1st April 1887 and 31st March 1888.

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

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return in pursuance of the Railway Regulation Act of Signal Arrangements and Systems of Working, to 31st December 1887.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Railway Servants (Hours of Duty).

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Classified Amounts of various Government Securities held by the several Government Accountants and Departments on the 31st day of March 1888 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 276, of 1877).

Sir *Herbert Maxwell* accordingly presented the said Return.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Fleets of *England*, *France*, *Russia*, *Germany*, and *Italy*, giving in detail, up to the 1st day of April 1888,—

Battle Ships, built and building;

Cruisers, built and building;

Coast Defence Vessels, built and building;

Torpedo Vessels and Torpedo Boats, divided into 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Classes, giving

their Lengths, built and building;

Return to include the Date of Launch of each Vessel; the Armaments, reduced to one common Scale, for Comparison; and the Speed of all Vessels, as shown in official Reports (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 153, of Session 1886).

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, relating to the Imprisonment of a Member of this House:—

Sir,
Skibbereen, Co. of *Cork*, West Riding,
April 25th 1888.

I beg to state that on Thursday and Friday last, the 19th and 20th inst., an appeal from a decision of Messrs. *Gardiner* and *Warburton*, R.M.'s, made at *Skule*, in this County and Division, whereby they sentenced Mr. *James Gilhooly*, Member of Parliament for the West *Cork* Division, to two months' imprisonment, without hard labour, for intimidation, contrary to the provisions of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," came before me at Quarter Sessions, and that I confirmed the order

Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887 (Imprisonment of a Member) (Mr. Gilhooly.)

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of the Magistrates, but reduced the sentence to fourteen days' imprisonment without hard labour.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
H. Ferguson,
County Court Judge, *Cork Co.*
West Riding.

To the Rt. Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Commercial
Treaties (Great
Britain and
Foreign
Countries.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Treaties of Commerce in force between the United Kingdom and Foreign Nations which preclude any preferential fiscal treatment of *British* Goods in the Colonies and Dependencies of the *British* Crown, showing when such Treaties were concluded, what notice is necessary for their termination, and if the Clauses, placing the Export Trade of *Great Britain and Ireland* within the Empire upon the same conditions as the Export Trade to *British* Colonies of Foreign Countries, which deny a like advantage to the productions of *British* Industry, can be abrogated without prejudice to the rest of the Treaties in question; and what advantage such Treaties secure to *British* Trade.

East India
(Deccan
Mines.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum of *Sirdar Diler Jung*, Secretary to H. M. the Nizam's Government (Home Department), on the Budget Estimate of the Railway for *Fasli 1297*.

Public Peti-
tions (Ninth
Report.)

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd and 24th days of this instant April, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

Endowed
Schools
(Wales and
Monmouth-
shire) (Replies
to Inquiries by
Charity Com-
missioners.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Replies to Inquiries directed to certain Endowed Schools in *Wales and Monmouthshire*, regarding the carrying out of provisions, made in Schemes under the Endowed Schools Acts, for the teaching of Mensuration, Navigation, Land Surveying, and other subjects of Technical Instruction.

Companies
Clauses Con-
solidation Act
(1845) Amend-
ment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," in respect to voting by Proxy: And that *Mr. Arthur Acland*, *Sir William Houldsworth*, *Sir Frederick Mappin*, and *Mr. Robert Reid* do prepare, and bring it in.

Companies
Clauses Con-
solidation Act
(1845) Amend-
ment Bill.

Mr. Arthur Acland accordingly presented a Bill to amend "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," in respect of voting by Proxy: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 3rd day of May next; and to be printed.

Customs and
Inland Re-
venue Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Power to Treasury to prohibit the use of certain substances in exciseable goods).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 29, after the word "notice," to insert the words "when it is noxious or detrimental, and to regulate its use when it acts in restraint of revenue."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Whereupon the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, being come with a Message for the House to attend the Lords Commissioners, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—

A Message was delivered by *Sir James Drummond*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod: Royal Assent.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Army (Annual) Act, 1888.
2. *Oude and Rohilkund* Railway Purchase Act, 1888.
3. *Fylde* Waterworks Act, 1888.
4. *Lloyd's* Act, 1888.
5. *Columbia Market* (Extension of Time) Act, 1888.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Power to Treasury to prohibit the use of certain substances in exciseable goods).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 3, l. 29, after the word "notice," to insert the words "when it is noxious or detrimental, and to regulate its use when it acts in restraint of revenue."

Question proposed that those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Amendment again proposed, in p. 3, l. 29, after the word "notice," to insert the words "when it is noxious or detrimental, and to regulate its use when it acts in restraint of revenue."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	<i>Sir Lyon Playfair</i> ,	} 122.
Yeas,	<i>Sir Henry Roscoe</i> :	
Tellers for the	<i>Mr. Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 229.
Noes,	<i>Colonel Walrond</i> :	

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 6 to N° 8, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 9, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 10 to N° 12, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 13 (Duties on Transfers of Marketable Bonds, &c., not transferable by delivery).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 35, after the word

word "security" to insert the words "and not being a mortgage or charge on freehold or leasehold hereditaments."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 14, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 15, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 16 and N° 17, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 18, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 19, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 20 to N° 23, agreed to.

Three Clauses added.

Another Clause (Person appealing may appear by solicitor)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And, it being ten minutes before Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Glebe Lands Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Glebe Lands Bill;

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

Factors Acts Consolidation Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 4th day of May next.

Selection (Standing Committees) (Special Report.)

Law, &c. Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir John Mowbray accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure the following Fifteen Members in respect of the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill:—Mr. Cozens-Hardy, Mr. Sydney Gedge, Mr. Gully, Mr. Haldane, Mr. Charles Hall, Mr. Howard, Mr. James William Lowther, the Judge Advocate General, Mr. Mattinson, Mr. Mount, Mr. O'Hea, Mr. Bryn Roberts, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Warrington, and Mr. Waddy.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Frodsham Gas and Water Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Frodsham Gas and Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the Objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by altering the recital relating to the Share Capital of the Company, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill, as submitted to, and passed by, the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 4th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the interests of technical, commercial, and agricultural instruction, as well as of general education, it is indispensable that the attention of the Government should be no longer limited to primary education and science and art teaching, but should be extended to the secondary education of the Country which remains without organisation or public supervision under a responsible Minister of Education, notwithstanding the repeated recommendations of Royal Commissions and Select Committees of this House on the subject," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 28th April, 1888:

And it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 30th April, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders Bill.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 3) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 5) Bill.

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	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.	the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Post Office Savings Banks Fund, the Interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the Expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts, prepared pursuant to Act 40 Vic. c. 13, s. 17.
Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill.	The Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.	Account for the year ended 20th November 1887, showing the Interest accrued in respect of the Securities standing in the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Fund for the Banks for Savings, and the Interest paid and credited to Trustees of Savings Banks, prepared pursuant to Act 40 Vic. c. 13, s. 17.
Uckfield Water Bill.	The Uckfield Water Bill was read the third time, and passed. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.	Account for the year ended 20th November 1887, showing the Interest accrued in respect of the Securities standing in the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Fund for Friendly Societies, and the Interest paid and credited to the Trustees of Friendly Societies, pursuant to Act 40 Vic. c. 13, s. 17.
Aberdeen District Tramways Bill.	The House proceeded to take into consideration the Aberdeen District Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time.	Copy of Warrant for the adjustment of the Terminable Annuities created under Section 2 of "The National Debt Act, 1883," which are held by the National Debt Commissioners on account of Trustee and Post Office Savings Banks.
Limpfield and Oxted Water Bill.	The House proceeded to take into consideration the Limpfield and Oxted Water Bill, as amended in the Committee. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time.	Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Paymaster General on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature in respect of the Funds of Suitors of the Court in the year ending 28th February 1887; also, Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same period in respect of Funds held by them on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill.	The Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.	An Account of all Deposits received and paid under the authority of the Act 24 Vic. c. 14, during the year ended 31st December 1887, and of the Expenses incurred from the commencement of the Business on 16th September 1861 to 31st December 1887, together with a Statement of the Total Amount due at the close of the year 1887 to all Depositors; and, an Account of the Sums received and paid by the National Debt Commissioners on account of the Fund for the Post Office Savings Banks, per Act 24 Vic. c. 14, from 31st December 1886 to 31st December 1887, inclusive.
Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment) Bill [Lords.]	The Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment) Bill was read a second time; and committed.	An Account of the Gross Public Income and Expenditure in the year ended the 31st day of March 1888, together with the Balances in the Exchequer at the commencement and at the termination of the year, and the Amounts received into or issued from the Exchequer in respect of Funded and Unfunded Debt Created or Redeemed in the said year.
Clyde Navigation Bill [Lords.]	The Clyde Navigation Bill was read a second time; and committed.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Holsworthy and Bude Railway Bill [Lords.]	The Holsworthy and Bude Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.	Sir John Gorst presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to East India (Deccan Mines).
Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Capital) Bill [Lords.]	The Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Capital) Bill was read a second time; and committed.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Return do lie upon the Table.
Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2) Bill.	The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.	Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the Conference of Delegates from the Orange Free State and the Colonies of the Cape of Good Hope and Natal, recently held at Cape Town, on the question of Customs Union and Railway Extension.
Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 4) Bill.	The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
London and North Western Railway Bill.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committees on the Manchester Ship Canal Bills in Sessions 1883, 1884, and 1885, be referred to the Committee on the London and North Western Railway Bill.	
Public Petitions.	Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.	
Vide Tenth Report.		
Metropolitan Police. No. 131.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Accounts relative to the Metropolitan Police, which were presented upon the 27th day of this instant April, be printed.	
Bankruptcy Acts, 1869 and 1883 (Costs of Administration of Estates, Per Centage of Estates Closed.)	Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of this instant April, for Returns relative to the Bankruptcy Acts, 1869 and 1883 (Costs of Administration of Estates, Per-centage of Estates Closed).	
Debtors (Scotland) Act, 1880.	Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of this instant April, for a Return relative to the Debtors (Scotland) Act, 1880. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.	
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies.	Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account for the year ended 31st December 1887, showing the Interest accrued in respect of the Securities standing in the Names of the Commissioners for	

Ordered,

Fishery Board
(Scotland)
(Receipts and
Expenditure.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return from the Fishery Board for Scotland of all Moneys received and expended by the Board since its formation in 1882, showing Annual Receipts and Expenditure under the following Heads :—

Receipts.

Parliamentary Grant in aid of Piers and Harbours.	Herring Brand Fees.	Government Grant for Telegraphic Extension.	Government Grant for Scientific Investigation.	Miscellaneous.

Expenditure.

Salaries of each Member of the Board and Officials attached.	Salary of Fishery Officers.	Grants in aid of Piers and Harbours.	Telegraphic Extension, and Grants thereto.	Salmon Fisheries.	Scientific Investigation.	Vessels for Protection of Fisheries and Police purposes.	Miscellaneous Expenditure.

Perth Water
and Gas Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the Perth Water and Gas Bill, with Amendments.

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

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth :

Metropolitan
Board of Works
Commission
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to Metropolitan Board of Works Commission Bill, without Amendment.

Billinghay and
Metheringham
(Light) Rail-
way (Abandon-
ment) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to *Billinghay and Metheringham* (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Bill, without Amendment.

South Indian
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to *South Indian* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Kent Water
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to *Kent* Water Bill, without Amendment.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Sir James Drummond, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers :—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow :

1. Metropolitan Board (Commission) Act, 1888.

2. *Billinghay and Metheringham* (Light) Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1888.

3. *South Indian* Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1888.

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4. *Kent* Waterworks Act, 1888.

5. *Assam* Company's Act, 1888.

6. *Isle of Arholme* Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1888.

7. *Lincolnshire* Police Superannuation Act, 1888.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of Debt incurred by and outstanding against the various Boards of Guardians in *Ireland* in 1887, showing Rates of Interest paid and of Principal paid off in same Period :—And, of Rates imposed and Surcharges levied during same year.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Midland Railway Committee on the Midland Railway Bill; That

with respect to Standing Order No. 183A (as to houses occupied by persons belonging to the labouring class) a Report from the Local Government Board was laid before the Committee and considered by them, and that they have amended the Bill to give effect to the recommendation therein contained.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of May next.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth :

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The Electric Lighting Act, 1882"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the *Forth Bridge* Railway Company to raise Additional Capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Owner of the *Aberpergwm* Estate, in the County of *Glamorgan*, to construct Bridges across the *Neath* Canal, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Acquisition by the *Lagan* Navigation Company of the *Ulster* Canal and the *Tyrone* Navigation or *Coal Island* Canal from the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *Southampton* Tramways Company to construct additional Tramways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for incorporating the *South Lincolnshire* Fen Water Company, and empowering them to construct Works and supply Water, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the division of the Parish of *Barking* into two distinct Parishes for Lay and Civil purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Forth Bridge
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The *Forth Bridge* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Aberpergwm
Estate
(Bridges) Bill
[Lords.]

The *Aberpergwm* Estate (Bridges) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ulster Canal
and Tyrone
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]

The *Ulster Canal* and *Tyrone* Navigation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Southampton
Street Tram-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

The *Southampton* Street Tramways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

South Lincoln-
shire Fen
Water Bill
[Lords.]

The *South Lincolnshire Fen* Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Barking Parish
Division Bill
[Lords.]

The *Barking* Parish Division Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Parliamentary
Under Secre-
tary to the
Lord Lieu-
tenant of
Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 226.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 177.
Noes, { Mr. Marjoribanks:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Customs and
Inland Revenue
(Procedure)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs and Inland Revenue (Procedure) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Persons appealing may appear by solicitor).

Question again proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Bryn Roberts, } 149.
Yeas, { Mr. Warmington:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 195.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

Another Clause (Purchasers and mortgagees exempted from liability to succession duty after twelve years)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedules 1 and 2, amended, and agreed to. Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Ireland*) (Land Commission) Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 228.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. T. W. Russell, } 139.
Noes, { Mr. Lea:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 1st May, 1888:

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *East India* Officers Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (*England* and *Wales*) Electors Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (*England* and *Wales*) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Glebe* Lands Bill;

Ordered,

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

Registration of Firms Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

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

Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

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

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

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

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

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

Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;

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

Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

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

Victoria University Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Victoria University Bill;

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

Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill;

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

Borough Funds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of this instant May.

Libel Law Amendment Bill.

The Libel Law Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday the 8th day of this instant May.

Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Trawling (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 8th day of this instant May.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment Bill; as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Clerks of the Peace Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number on the 14th day of May 1887 of Poor (exclusive of Lunatics) receiving Relief in Poorhouses and in Institutions for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, Industrial Schools, Orphanages, or Hospitals, and of Boarded-out Pauper Children chargeable to each County and Parish in Scotland, and, in a separate Table, the Numbers chargeable to Parishes in which there are Burghs with a Population exceeding 5,000:—

County.	Population in 1881.	Gross Rental.	Poor in Poorhouses.			Poor in Institutions for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, &c.			Boarded-out Pauper Children.		Total Poor in Poorhouses, Institutions, and Boarded-out.
			Paupers.	Dependents.	Total.	Paupers.	Dependents.	Total.	With Relatives.	With Strangers.	
Parish.											

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her to withhold Her

Her Assent from the alteration in Article 6 (d) of the Code of the *Scotch* Education Department proposed for this year, which (contrary to the provisions of Section 67 of "The Education (*Scotland*) Act, 1872") will have the effect of lowering the standard of Education that now exists in the Public Schools of *Scotland*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Registration of Clubs. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Registration and Regulation of Clubs: And that Mr. *Gent-Davis* Mr. *Caine*, Mr. *Byron Reed*, and Mr. *Kelly* do prepare, and bring it in. Mr. *Gent-Davis* accordingly presented a Bill for the Registration and Regulation of Clubs: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Admission of Strangers. No. 132. Viscount *Ebrington* reported, from the Select Committee on Admission of Strangers; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix. *Ordered*, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 1st May, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.) Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order, N° 62, has been complied with, viz.:

Rotherham and Bawtry Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [Lords] (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.) Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

London and Blackwall Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill. Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill [Lords.] The *Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The *Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:—

An Act to authorize the purchase of additional Land for the Tunnel authorized by the *Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Act, 1887*, and for other purposes.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Govan Burgh Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Local Government Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committees on the *Barry Dock and Railways Bills* in Sessions 1883, 1884, and 1885, the *Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Bill* in Session 1885, and the *Cardiff, Penarth, and Barry Junction Railways Bill* in Session 1885, be referred to the Committee on the *Barry Dock and Railways (Railway Extension) and the Barry Dock, and Railways (Further Powers) Bills*.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts (Cottages), which was presented upon the 23rd day of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Bankruptcy Acts, 1869 and 1883 (Costs of Administration of Estates, *Per-centage* of Estates Closed), which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Debtors (*Scotland*) Act, 1880, which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Savings Banks and Friendly Societies, which were presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Supreme Court of Judicature, which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

Ordered,

Post Office
Savings Banks.
No. 138.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Post Office Savings Banks, which were presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

Public
Income and
Expenditure.
No. 139.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Public Income and Expenditure, which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

National Debt
Act, 1883
(Terminable
Annuities.)
No. 140.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the National Debt Act, 1883 (Terminable Annuities), which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

East India
(Deccan
Mines.)
No. 141.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Deccan Mines), which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 325, 326, 328, and 329.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 90, 91, and 92.

United States
(No. 2, 1888.)

Copy of Despatch from the Earl of *Rosebery* to Her Majesty's Minister at *Washington*, inclosing a Copy of a Convention between *Great Britain* and the United States for the Extradition of Criminals. Signed at *London*, 25th June 1886.

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

Adjournment.

Dr. *Clark*, Member for *Caithness*, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the imminent danger to law and order in the Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*, in consequence of the complete breakdown of the Crofters Act as a remedy for the Crofters' grievances, and the pressing necessity of immediate remedial legislation; but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. *Angus Sutherland*, } 99.
Yeas, (Mr. *Buchanan*;

Tellers for the (Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 205.
Noes, (Colonel *Walrond*;

So it passed in the Negative.

Standing
Orders.

Mr. *Cubitt* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

London and
Saint Katherine
and East and
West India
Docks Bill.

That, in the case of the *London and Saint Katherine and East and West India Docks Bill*, Petitions of Messrs. *Kirk and Randall*, the Imperial Fire Insurance Company, and Sir *Richard Nicholson*, for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of their Petitions against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

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

Electric
Lighting Act
(1882)
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 233.

The Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Preferential
Payment of
Wages.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Preferential Payment of Wages in Bankruptcy and other cases: And that Mr. *Randell*, Mr. *Abraham*, Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Burt*, Mr. *Fenwick*, Mr. *D. A.*

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Thomas, and Mr. *Thomas Ellis* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. *Randell* accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the Preferential Payment of Wages in Bankruptcy and other cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Preferential
Payment of
Wages Bill.
Bill 234.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, ownership of land in the United Kingdom should carry with it the duty of cultivation or utilization, and that in all cases where land capable of cultivation or utilization with profit, and not devoted to some purpose of public utility or enjoyment, is held in a vacant, waste, or uncultivated state, the local authorities ought to have the power to compulsorily acquire such land by payment to the owner of a sum representing the capital agricultural value of such lands, in order that such local authorities may, in their discretion, let the said lands to tenant cultivators, with such conditions as to term of tenancy, rent, reclamation, drainage, utilization, and cultivation respectively as shall afford reasonable encouragement, opportunities, facilities, and security for the due utilization, cultivation, and development of the said lands;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "whilst recognising the fact that considerable portions of the lands of the United Kingdom, including those in a so-called vacant, waste, or uncultivated state, cannot be profitably cultivated owing to Agricultural and Industrial Depression, and are therefore unable to support their increasing populations, this House is of opinion that conferring powers of compulsory purchase on local authorities is not an effectual or desirable remedy for this state of things," instead thereof.

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

And notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 2nd May, 1888.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bristol Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the release of the sum of Eleven thousand two hundred pounds, the amount of the Bond, dated 5th August 1864, entered into by the *Kington and Eardisley Railway Company* and *Richard Green Price* (afterwards Sir *Richard Green Price*, since deceased), under the provisions of Section 17 of "The *Kington and Eardisley Railway Act, 1864*";

Viscount *Lewisham*, by Her Majesty's Command,

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mand, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

Alexandra
(Newport and
South Wales)
Docks and
Railway Bill.

The Order made upon the 14th day of February last, That the *Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Bill* be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Tenth
Report.

Parliamentary
Constituencies.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23rd day of February last, for a Return relative to Parliamentary Constituencies.

Lunatics
(England and
Wales.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to Lunatics (*England and Wales*).

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

Navy (H.M.S.
"Orlando.")

Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the principal particulars of H.M.S. "*Orlando*," as designed compared with the same particulars of the Vessel as actually completed, with Explanations of the changes, and the authority therefor.

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

Dublin City
(Saint
Stephen's
Green Division)
Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Dublin, Saint Stephen's Green Division*, in the room of *Edmond Dwyer Gray*, Esquire, deceased.

Early Closing
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Early Closing Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Lord *Charles Beresford* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put:—"

But Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Then the House resumed the said Debate.

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { *Sir John Lubbock*,

Yeas, { *Mr. Burt*;

Tellers for the { *Mr. Blundell Maple*,

Noes, { *Mr. Bradlaugh*;

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (*Ireland*) Bill; Technical Education (*Ireland*) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Port and Harbour Authorities (*Ireland*) Bill; Port and Harbour Authorities (*Ireland*) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education Bill; Technical Education Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Reproductive Loan Fund (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill; Reproductive Loan Fund (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 11th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill; Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accumulations Bill; Accumulations Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deacons (Church of England) Bill; Deacons (Church of England) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill; Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (*Scotland*) Bill; Mining Accidents Insurance (*Scotland*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Election Bill; Coroners' Election Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Tenure (*Scotland*) Bill; Land Tenure (*Scotland*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Distress for Rent (*Dublin*) Bill; Distress for Rent (*Dublin*) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 1st day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts (*Ireland*) Bill; County Courts (*Ireland*) Bill.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Trees (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;

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

School Board for London Election Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill;

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

Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

Advertisement Rating Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill;

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

Corn Returns Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Returns Bill;

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

Secondary Education (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Secondary Education (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Oaths Bill;

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

Municipal Rates Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;

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

Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intestates' Estates Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Wales and Monmouthshire) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861, and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870 or later that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861 had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Life Leases Conversion Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Worship Facilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 11th day of this instant May.

Steam Boilers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Boilers Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Queen Anne's Bounty.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Queen Anne's Bounty Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

Official Trustee Bill.

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

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Industrial Agricultural Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishing in Rivers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs and Inland Revenue Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.

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

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Victoria University Bill.

The Victoria University Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to

a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 30th day of this instant May, the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill, was read, and discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th of June next.

Mr. Campbell-Bannerman reported from the Select Committee on Navy Estimates; That they had made progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them; and an Appendix.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Friday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on the Rhymney Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill and amended the same by striking out the recital as to running powers proposed to be given to the Company over certain portions of the Railways of the London and North Western Railway Company, in order to make the same consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Limerick Harbour Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 3rd May, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's
Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to indisposition.

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Aberdeen
District
Tramways Bill.

The *Aberdeen* District Tramways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Limpsfield and
Oxted Water
Bill.

The *Limpsfield* and *Oxted* Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Battersea
Vestry (Parish
Lands) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Battersea Vestry* (Parish Lands) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Great Western
Railway
(No. 1) [Can-
cellation of
Bond.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Great Western Railway (No. 1) [Cancellation of Bond].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the release of the sum of Eleven thousand two hundred pounds, the amount of the Bond, dated 5th August 1864, entered into by the *Kington* and *Eardisley* Railway Company and *Richard Green Price* (afterwards *Sir Richard Green Price*, since deceased), under the provisions of Section 17 of "The *Kington* and *Eardisley* Railway Act, 1864," and that the Solicitor to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall deliver up to the Great Western Railway Company the said Bond, in order to the cancelling thereof.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Herbert Maxwell* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Provisional
Order Bills
(Standing
Order complied
with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Water Provisional Orders Bill.

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

Lancashire
and Yorkshire
Railway Bill
(Petition for
additional
Provision)
(Standing
Order not com-
plied with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Lancashire and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Eleventh
Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to Railway Railway Servants (Hours of Duty), which was presented upon the 27th day of April last, be printed. Servants (Hours of Duty.)

No. 143.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Parliamentary Constituencies, which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant May, be printed. Parliamentary Constituencies. No. 144.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, pursuant Army to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—(Volunteers.) Copy of Draft of a proposed Amendment to the Scheme relative to the Efficiency of Volunteers, in force under Her Majesty's Order in Council, dated 31st July 1880, to be submitted to Her Majesty the Queen in Council under "The Volunteer Act, 1863."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, pursuant Prisons to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Ireland.) of an Order in Council, dated 30th April 1888, approving of a Rule made by the General Prisons Board for *Ireland* on 17th April 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Colonies Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the (Emigration.) Emigrants' Information Office for the year ending 31st March 1888 (in continuation of [C. 5078] June 1887).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Ma- Trade Reports jesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and (Annual Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. Series.) 327 and 330.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Bankruptcy Returns setting forth the Number of Prosecu- Crimes and tions and Convictions for Bankruptcy Crimes Frauds (Scotland.) and Frauds in *Scotland* in each of the Five Years ending the 31st day of December 1880:—The Number of Prosecutions and Convictions of Bankruptcy Crimes and Frauds in *Scotland* in each of the Five Years ending the 31st day of December 1887, distinguishing between Cases charged under "The Debtors (*Scotland*) Act, 1880," or any Act amending the same, and Cases charged under any Act of Parliament passed prior to 1880, or at Common Law:—The Number of Applications for Sequestration and *Cessio Bonorum* respectively in each of the Five Years ending the 31st day of December 1880:—And the Number of Applications for Sequestration and *Cessio Bonorum* respectively in each of the Five Years ending the 31st day of December 1887.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into Oaths Bill. a Committee, To-morrow, on the Oaths Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Universities a Return showing in respect of each of the Uni- (Scotland) versities in *Scotland*— (Students.)

(1.) The Number of the Students for each of the years from 1861-2 to 1887-8, both inclusive, distinguishing the Number of Students in each Faculty:

(2.) The Emoluments of each Principal, Pro- fessor,

fessor, and Lecturer for the years 1876-7, 1881-2, 1886-7, under the following Heads:—

Year and Session.	Voted by Parliament	Endowment or College Revenues.	Class Fees.	Value of Official Residence.	Deductions.		Total.	Net Emoluments.
					Class Expenses.	Assistants.		

(3.) The Number of all Assistants attached to any Chairs during the years 1876-7, 1881-2, and 1886-7, specifying in each case the Amount of the Assistants' Remuneration, the source from which it is derived, and the nature of the Assistants' Duties.

National
Defence.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better provision respecting National Defence: And that Mr Secretary Stanhope, Lord George Hamilton, and Mr. Brodrick do prepare, and bring it in.

National
Defence Bill.
Bill 235.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope accordingly presented a Bill to make better provision respecting National Defence: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Burgh Police
and Health
(Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill do consist of Twenty-five Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Anstruther, Mr. Asher, Mr. Baird, Sir George Balfour, Mr. Barbour, Mr. Barclay, Mr. Bolton, Mr. Preston Bruce, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Macdonald Cameron, Sir Archibald Campbell, Mr. R. F. Campbell, Dr. Clark, Mr. Cochran-Baillie, Mr. Donald Crawford, Lord Elcho, Mr. Esslemont, Mr. Hozier, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Menzies, Mr. F. S. Powell, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Mark Stewart, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Williamson; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Forest of Dean
Turnpike
Trust.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the affairs of the Forest of Dean Turnpike Trust.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. W. B. Beaumont, Lord Edward Cavendish, Mr. Salt, Mr. Beach, Mr. Samuelson, Viscount Folkestone, and Mr. Long.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That they have power to inquire and report to the House under what conditions with reference to the rate of interest, expenses of management, maintenance of road, payment of debt, and term of years, or other special arrangements, the Act of the Trust mentioned should be continued.

Ordered, That all Petitions relating to the continuance or discontinuance of this Trust be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Uxbridge and
Rickmansworth
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Uxbridge and Rickmansworth* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Clifton
Suspension
Bridge Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Clifton* Suspension Bridge Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Cathedral
Churches Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for making Statutes respecting

Deans and Chapters and Cathedral Churches in England, and for other purposes relating thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorising the *Hamilton Waterworks* Commissioners to make and maintain additional Waterworks, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The *Hamilton Water Bill* was read the first time. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills. *Hamilton Water Bill* [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill, as amended in the Committee. *Customs and Inland Revenue Bill.*

A Clause (Silver and Gold Plate) was offered to be added to the Bill; and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Persons appealing may appear by Solicitor) was offered to be added to the Bill; and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Warmington, } 166.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Sydney Gedge: } 214.

Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 214.

Colonel Walrond: }
So it passed in the Negative.
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 1, by inserting after the word "bottles," the words "and of a greater value at the port of entry than thirty shillings per dozen bottles."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause 3.

And the Question being put, That Clause 3 stand part of the Bill;

The House divided;

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 207.

Tellers for the Noes, Colonel Walrond: } 115.

Mr. Arnold Morley, }
Mr. Marjoribanks: }
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 27, by inserting after the word "only," the words "and shall weigh four hundredweight."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Channing, } 92.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Winterbotham: } 144.

Mr. Akers-Douglas, }
Colonel Walrond: }
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 19, by leaving out all the words after the word "shall," to the words "annual licence," inclusive, and inserting the words "cease to be payable."

And

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local
Government
(England and
Wales)
Electors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Electors Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they have power to insert provisions in the Bill with a view to assimilate the qualification of electors of Guardians of the Poor, including the abolition of the plural vote, to the conditions prescribed in the Bill with regard to electors of county authorities;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the, Mr. Arnold Morley, } 128.

Yeas, Mr. Marjoribanks: }

Tellers for the, Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 214.

Noes, Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Extension of burgess franchise to county electors outside municipal boroughs).

Amendment proposed in p. 1, l. 19, after the word "*England*" to insert the words "except for the County of *London*."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the, Mr. James Stuart, } 110.

Yeas, Mr. James Rowlands: }

Tellers for the, Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 226.

Noes, Colonel Walrond: }

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of April last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee of Supply), was discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Excise Duties
(Local Pur-
poses) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lunacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Second Reading of the *East India* Officers Bill; Officers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill; Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill; Criminal Evidence Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Glebe Lands Bill; Glebe Lands Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 4th May, 1888:

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (*India*) Bill; Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (*India*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill; Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill; Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 14th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (*Wales*) Bill; Intermediate Education (*Wales*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill; Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill; Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 14th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill; Registration of Firms Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Law (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; Land Law (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Amendment Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be re-committed:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the House proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (Land Commissions to decide date

of commencement of judicial rent) was offered to be added to the Bill; and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time :—It passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time :—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 11th day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Technical Education (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 11th day of this instant May.

Technical Education Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 11th day of this instant May.

Industrial Agricultural Education Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 14th day of this instant May.

East India (Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company.) *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the formation and promotion of the Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company, Limited, the circumstances under which the Concession held by that Company was obtained from the Government of Hyderabad, and the subsequent Operations on the London Stock Exchange by persons interested in the Company.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Henry James, Sir Richard Temple, Mr. Slagg, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, Mr. M'Lagan, Mr. Bristowe, and Mr. Labouchere.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Victoria University Bill. The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Monday next, on the Victoria University Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half-an-hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 4th May, 1888

THE House met at Three of the clock.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Prayers, Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table, — Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz. :

Aberpergum Estate (Bridges) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table, — Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz. :

Barking Parish Division Bill.

Forth Bridge Railway Bill.

Southampton Street Tramways Bill.

South Lincolnshire Fen Water Bill.

Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table, — Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz. :

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The *Govan Burgh Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Committee on the Great Western Railway (No. 1) [Cancellation of Bond], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the release of the Sum of Eleven thousand two hundred pounds, the amount of the Bond, dated 5th August 1864, entered into by the *Kington and Eardisley Railway Company* and *Richard Green Price* (afterwards *Sir Richard Green Price*, since deceased), under the provisions of Section 17 of "The *Kington and Eardisley Railway Act*, 1864," and that the Solicitor to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall deliver up to the Great Western Railway Company the said Bond, in order to the cancelling thereof.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Water
Provisional
Orders Bill.

The Water Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public
Petitions
(Tenth Report.)

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 25th, 26th, 27th, and 30th days of April last, and the 1st and 2nd days of this instant May; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Eleventh
Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Bankruptcy
and Arrange-
ment Petitions.
No. 145.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Bankruptcy and Arrangement Petitions, which was presented upon the 23rd day of April last, be printed.

Lunatics
(England and
Wales.)
No. 146.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Lunatics (England and Wales), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant May, be printed.

Navy (H.M.S.
"Orlando.")
No. 147.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Navy (H.M.S. "Orlando"), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant May, be printed.

Irish Land
Commission
(Proceedings
under "The
Land Law
(Ireland) Act,
1881.")

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Sub-Commissions and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the Irish Land Commission during the Months of January and February 1888, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent where ascertained; also Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the Irish Land Commission on the Joint Application of Landlords and Tenants.

Corporal
Punishment
(Memorials.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 9th day of April last, for a Return relative to Corporal Punishment (Memorials).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Cork and
Bandon
Railway Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Cork and Bandon Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out recitals as to the construction of certain Railways at Cork, and as to a power to enter into agreements with the Corporation of Cork and the Cork Harbour Commissioners with reference to the construction of such Railways and the laying down of rails along certain streets and quays in the City of Cork, and also by striking out a recital as to a proposed power to enter into agreements as to the interchange and transmission of traffic with the Cork, Blackrock, and Passage Railway Company, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto;

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Metropolitan
Commons
[Farnborough,
&c.] Provi-
sional Order
Bill (Pro-
visional Order
confirmed.)

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Commons (Farnborough, &c.) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to

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report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Metropolis (Whitechapel and Limehouse) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported the Life Association of Scotland Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Disposition of the Sum of £. 5,000,000 Sterling granted under "The Land Purchase Act, 1885," up to the 31st day of March 1888, specifying in such Return—

1. The Total Number of Applications, with the Gross Amount of the whole;
2. Gross Amounts of those accepted and of those rejected;
3. Amount of Advances actually issued;
4. And of Advances sanctioned and in course of Issue;
5. And of Applications now under consideration by the Purchase Commissioners, but not yet sanctioned;
6. What Part of the £. 5,000,000 will remain at the Disposal of the Purchase Commissioners if the Applications in No. 5 should be sanctioned;
7. The Gross Amount of Instalments which became repayable up to the 1st day of November last, and the Amount, if any, of such Instalments remaining unpaid;
8. The Number of Estates which, on the 1st day of November, were under administration, with the Amount of their Gross Rental;
9. The Number of Receivers acting under the Court in the receipt of the Rents of those Estates, with the Total Sum brought in by such Receivers for the Rents of the year ending the 1st day of November 1887;
10. The Number of effective Sales made during the five years ending on the 31st day of December 1887, with the Gross Amount realised by such Sales;
11. Return of the Number of Officers employed in that branch of the Court of Chancery, with the Total Amount of their Salaries for the year 1887.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same in order to make the same consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to limit the Hours of Labour by Underground Workers to Eight Hours a day: And that Mr. Cuninghame Graham, Mr. Abraham, Mr. Pickard, Mr. Conybeare, and Mr. Cremer do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered,

Merchant
Seamen
(Widows' and
Orphans'
Pensions.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the providing of Pensions for the Widows, Orphans, and dependent Relatives of Merchant Seamen: And that Colonel *Hill*, Sir *James Corry*, Mr. *Gourley*, Mr. *Royden*, Mr. *Seale-Hayne*, and Mr. *Donkin* do prepare, and bring it in.

Footpaths and
Roadside
Wastes.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better protection of Footpaths and Roadside Wastes: And that Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. *Hastings*, and Mr. *Story-Maske-lyne* do prepare, and bring it in.

Colliery
Tenants Relief.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of Colliery Tenants, and to secure them against the Loss of the Minerals for which they have paid: And that Colonel *Blundell* and Mr. *Frank Hurdecastle* do prepare, and bring it in.

Factory Acts
Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the Factory Acts: And that Mr. *Conybeare*, Mr. *Burt*, Mr. *Cremer*, and Mr. *Cunninghame Graham* do prepare, and bring it in.

Merchant
Seamen
(Widows and
Orphans'
Pensions) Bill.
Bill 237.

Colonel *Hill* presented a Bill for the providing of Pensions for the Widows, Orphans, and dependent Relatives of Merchant Seamen: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Footpaths and
Roadside
Wastes Bill.
Bill 238.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented a Bill for the better protection of Footpaths and Roadside Wastes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Colliery
Tenants'
Relief Bill.
Bill 239.

Colonel *Blundell* presented a Bill for the Relief of Colliery Tenants, and to secure them against the Loss of the Minerals for which they have paid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Factory Acts
Amendment
Bill.
Bill 240.

Mr. *Conybeare* presented a Bill to amend and extend the Factory Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next; and to be printed.

Mines
(Limitation of
Hours) Bill.
Bill 241.

Mr. *Cunninghame Graham* presented a Bill to limit the Hours of Labour by Underground Workers to Eight Hours a day: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next; and to be printed.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Blackburn
Corporation
Tramways
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Blackburn Corporation Tramways Bill*, without Amendment.

James Lewis
and Son's
Liverpool
Copper Wharf
Company,
Limited, Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *James Lewis and Son's Liverpool Copper Wharf Company, Limited*, to issue transferable Certificates and Warrants for the delivery of Goods; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

James Lewis
and Son's
Liverpool
Copper Wharf
Company,
Limited, Bill
[Lords.]

The *James Lewis and Son's Liverpool Copper Wharf Company, Limited*, Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House," "the time has arrived when the Government should appoint a Committee or Royal Commission to take into consideration the question of acquiring the Railways of the United Kingdom, in accordance with the provisions contained in the General Railway Act of 1844," instead thereof.

Government
Purchase of
Railways.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

The Customs and Inland Revenue Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Customs and
Inland Revenue
Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Deputy Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Deputy Speaker, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

Monday, 7th May, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. *Courtney* reported the *Glasgow Corporation Bill*, with Amendments.

Glasgow
Corporation
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Provisional
Order Bills
(Standing
Order complied
with.)

Public Health (*Scotland*) Provisional Order [Denny and Dunipace Water] Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
complied with.)

Henley-on-Thames Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Clifton
Suspension
Bridge Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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Bristol Water Bill.	The <i>Bristol</i> Water Bill was read the third time, and passed. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.	the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Mansfield</i> Water, <i>Mid Sussex</i> Water, <i>Wimborne Minster</i> Water, and <i>Worksop</i> Water: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	
Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill.	The <i>Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire</i> Railway (Additional Powers) Bill was read the third time, and passed. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Goring</i> and <i>Streathley</i> District Gas and Water, <i>Sheringham</i> Gas and Water, and <i>Winchester</i> Water and Gas: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Gas and Water Provisional Orders.
Frodsham Gas and Water Bill.	The House proceeded to take into consideration the <i>Frodsham</i> Gas and Water Bill, as amended in the Committee. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861," relating to <i>Torquay</i> , and <i>Tralee</i> and <i>Fenit</i> : And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2.)
London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill.	The House proceeded to take into consideration the <i>London, Tilbury, and Southend</i> Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of <i>Bideford</i> , <i>Burton-upon-Trent</i> , and <i>Stratford-upon-Avon</i> , and the Improvement Act District of <i>Milford</i> : And that Mr. <i>Long</i> and Mr. <i>Ritchie</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3.)
Midland Railway Bill.	The House proceeded to take into consideration the <i>Midland</i> Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee. A Clause (For the protection of the Corporation of <i>Birmingham</i>) was twice read; and made part of the Bill. Another Clause (Saving rights of the Postmaster General) was twice read; and made part of the Bill. Then Amendments were made to the Bill. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of <i>Birkenhead</i> and <i>Stockton-on-Tees</i> , the Local Government Districts of <i>Cleekheaton</i> , <i>Pickering</i> , <i>Rawmarsh</i> , and <i>Wallasey</i> , and the <i>Wirral</i> Joint Hospital District: And that Mr. <i>Long</i> and Mr. <i>Ritchie</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4.)
Perth Water and Gas Bill [Lords.]	The House proceeded to take into consideration the <i>Perth</i> Water and Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the Provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of <i>Aldham</i> , <i>Burford-Saint-Michael</i> , <i>Birch</i> , <i>Chappel</i> , <i>Copford</i> , <i>Deddington</i> , <i>East Donyland</i> , <i>Easthorpe</i> , <i>Fingringhoe</i> , <i>Fordham</i> , <i>Fryerning</i> , <i>Great Tey</i> , <i>Great Wigborough</i> , <i>Ingatestone</i> , <i>Inworth</i> , <i>Laver-Breton</i> , <i>Laver-de-la-Hay</i> , <i>Laver-Narney</i> , <i>Little Horkley</i> , <i>Little Tey</i> , <i>Little Wigborough</i> , <i>Marks Tey</i> , <i>Messing</i> , <i>Mount Bures</i> , <i>Peldon</i> , <i>Virley</i> , <i>Wakes Colne</i> , <i>West Bergholt</i> , and <i>Wormingford</i> : And that Mr. <i>Long</i> and Mr. <i>Ritchie</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6.)
London and Blackwall Railway Bill [Lords.]	The <i>London</i> and <i>Blackwall</i> Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Tramways Act, 1870," relating to <i>Keighley</i> Tramways, North Metropolitan Tramways, and South <i>Birmingham</i> Tramways: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas.)
Rotherham and Bawtry Railway Bill.	The <i>Rotherham</i> and <i>Bawtry</i> Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Chigwell</i> , <i>Loughton</i> , and <i>Woodford</i> Gas, <i>Great Berkhamstead</i> Gas, <i>Hatfield</i> Gas, <i>Snodland</i> Gas, and <i>Swansea</i> Gas: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.	The Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Dursley</i> Gas, <i>King's Lynn</i> Gas, <i>Littlehampton</i> Gas, <i>Oakham</i> Gas, <i>Poulton-le-Field</i> Gas, and <i>Worksop</i> Gas: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.
Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2.)	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Tramways Act, 1870," relating to <i>Keighley</i> Tramways, North Metropolitan Tramways, and South <i>Birmingham</i> Tramways: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Tramways Act, 1870," relating to <i>Keighley</i> Tramways, North Metropolitan Tramways, and South <i>Birmingham</i> Tramways: And the same was read the first time.	Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3.)	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Tramways Act, 1870," relating to <i>Keighley</i> Tramways, North Metropolitan Tramways, and South <i>Birmingham</i> Tramways: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be referred to the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.	Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.
Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1.)	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Chigwell</i> , <i>Loughton</i> , and <i>Woodford</i> Gas, <i>Great Berkhamstead</i> Gas, <i>Hatfield</i> Gas, <i>Snodland</i> Gas, and <i>Swansea</i> Gas: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Dursley</i> Gas, <i>King's Lynn</i> Gas, <i>Littlehampton</i> Gas, <i>Oakham</i> Gas, <i>Poulton-le-Field</i> Gas, and <i>Worksop</i> Gas: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2.)	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Dursley</i> Gas, <i>King's Lynn</i> Gas, <i>Littlehampton</i> Gas, <i>Oakham</i> Gas, <i>Poulton-le-Field</i> Gas, and <i>Worksop</i> Gas: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to <i>Dursley</i> Gas, <i>King's Lynn</i> Gas, <i>Littlehampton</i> Gas, <i>Oakham</i> Gas, <i>Poulton-le-Field</i> Gas, and <i>Worksop</i> Gas: And that Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> and Mr. <i>Jackson</i> do prepare, and bring it in.	Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.
Water Provisional Orders (No. 2.)	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by	<i>Ordered</i> , That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by	Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Tramways: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Gas Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 1) Bill.
Bill 244.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to *Chigwell, Loughton, and Woodford Gas, Great Berkhamstead Gas, Hatfield Gas, Snodland Gas, and Swansea Gas*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Gas Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.
Bill 245.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to *Dursley Gas, King's Lynn Gas, Littlehampton Gas, Oakham Gas, Poulton-le-Fylde Gas, and Workshop Gas*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Water Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.
Bill 246.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to *Mansfield Water, Mid Sussex Water, Wimborne Minster Water, and Worksop Water*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Gas and
Water Provi-
sional Orders
Bill.
Bill 247.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," relating to *Goring and Streatley District Gas and Water, Sheringham Gas and Water, and Winchester Water and Gas*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Pier and Har-
bour Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.
Bill 248.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861," relating to *Torquay, and Tralee and Fenit*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 3) Bill.
Bill 249.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Bideford, Burton-upon-Trent, and Stratford-upon-Avon*, and the Improvement Act District of *Milford*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 4) Bill.
Bill 250.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Birkenhead and Stockton-on-Tees*, the Local Government Districts of *Cleckheaton, Pickering, Rawmarsh, and Wallasey*, and the Wirral Joint Hospital District: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of *Aldham, Barford-Saint-Michael, Birch, Chappel, Copford, Deddington, East Donyland, Easthorpe, Fin-gringhoe, Fordham, Fryerning, Great Tey, Great Wigborough, Ingotestone, Inworth, Laver-Breton, Laver-de-la-Hay, Laver-Marney, Little Horksey, Little Tey, Little Wigborough, Marks Tey, Mes-sing, Mount Bures, Peldon, Virley, Wakes Colne, West Bergholt, and Wormingford*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," and "The Public Health Act, 1875," relating to the Local Government District of *Croston* and the Borough of *Wilton*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir John Mowbray accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure the following Fifteen Members in respect of the Bill (*Scotland*) Bill:—Mr. Anderson, Mr. Baird, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. James Campbell, Mr. Donald Crawford, Mr. Haldane, Mr. Hozier, Sir Robert Jardine, Mr. Mackintosh, Mr. Robert Reid, Mr. Mark Stewart, Mr. Angus Sutherland, Mr. Thornburn, Mr. Wallace, and Mr. Shiress Will.

Sir John Mowbray further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure the following Member in respect of the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill:—Mr. Neville.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills; That the Parties opposing the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill* had stated that the evidence of *William Astley* was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *William Astley* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *William Astley* do attend the said Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of March last, for a Return relative to Registrars of County Courts (Salaries, Allowances, and Fees).

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made under the Friendly Societies Acts, 1875 and 1887, and approved by the Treasury.

Ordered,

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 6) Bill.
Bill 251.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Gas) Bill.
Bill 252.

Selection
(Standing
Committee)
(Special
Report.)
Law, and
Courts of
Justice, and
Legal Pro-
cedure.
Bill (Scotland)
Bill.

Mortmain and
Charitable
Uses Bill.

Railway Bills
(Group 2.)

Public
Petitions.
Vide Eleventh
Report.

Registrars of
County Courts
(Salaries, Al-
lowances, and
Fees.)
No. 148.

Friendly
Societies Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Registrars of County Courts (Salaries, Allowances, and Fees) be printed.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Water Orders Confirmation Bill.

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Water Orders Confirmation Bill.

Harwich Harbour.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Abstract of the Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Harwich Harbour Conservancy Board, from the time of their incorporation under "The Harwich Harbour Act, 1863," down to, and inclusive of, the 31st day of March 1888:—Also, an Account of their Credits and Liabilities (as nearly as the same can be ascertained and estimated) down to, and inclusive of, such last-mentioned date; together with a Report of the Conservancy Board on their Proceedings and on the Works executed by them, and on the State of Harwich Harbour, furnished by the said Conservancy Board to the Board of Trade, pursuant to "The Harwich Harbour Act, 1863," Section 6. (As returned by the Conservancy Board to the Board of Trade.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 331 and 332.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Business of the House (Precedence of Government Business.)

No. 149.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of April last, for a Return relative to Business of the House (Precedence of Government Business).

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders.

No. 155.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation Bill, No. 1 and No. 2.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Metropolis [Whitechapel and Limehouse] Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolis [Whitechapel and Limehouse] Provisional Order Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Metropolitan Commons [Farnborough, &c.] Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Commons [Farnborough, &c.] Provisional Order Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Parochial Boards (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Boards (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Copyhold Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of taking over and exercising, by Agreement with the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, the powers conferred on that Board by the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board (Overhead Railways) Acts, 1882 and 1887, or some of them, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Customs (Isle of Man) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Newhaven Harbour Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Westminster Abbey Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Brymbo Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the time for the purchase of Land for, and completion of, the Bexley Heath Railway, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend and enlarge the Powers of the Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to revive and extend the time for the compulsory purchase of Lands for, and completion of, the Railways authorised by "The Seafeld Dock and Railway Act, 1883," and to alter the provisions of that Act relating to capital; to change the name of the Seafeld Dock and Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for empowering the Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland Company to acquire the undertakings of the Dublin and Meath Railway Company and of the Navan and Kingscourt Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to incorporate the Shropshire Railways Company, to empower them to acquire the Potteries, Shrewsbury, and North Wales Railway, and to construct further Railways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making Lifts between Lynmouth and Lynton, in the County of Devon, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the establishment of an Infirmary in the Parish of Cathcart, to be called the Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow, and for the constitution and incorporation of Governors of that Institution and the management of its affairs; to authorise the Trustees of the deceased Robert Couper, of Millholm, in that Parish, to transfer to the said Governors certain portions of his Estate, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Preston to deviate certain of the Works authorised by "The Ribble Navigation and Preston Dock Act, 1883," and for extending the said Borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Bexley Heath Railway Bill was read the first time.

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Ordered,

Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill [Lords.]

Customs (Isle of Man) Bill.

Newhaven Harbour Bill.

Westminster Abbey Bill.

Brymbo Water Bill.

Bexley Heath Railway Bill [Lords.]

Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Bill [Lords.]

Seafeld Dock and Railway Bill [Lords.]

Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways Bill [Lords.]

Shropshire Railways Bill [Lords.]

Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill [Lords.]

Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust Bill [Lords.]

Preston Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Bexley Heath Railway Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Bill [Lords.]

The *Liverpool and Birkenhead* Subway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Seafeld Dock and Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Seafeld Dock and Railway* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways Bill [Lords.]

The *Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt* Railways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Shropshire Railways Bill [Lords.]

The *Shropshire* Railways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill [Lords.]

The *Lynmouth and Lynton* Lift Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust Bill [Lords.]

The *Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Preston Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The *Preston Corporation* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill. Bill 253.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Extension of Burgess Franchise to County Electors outside Municipal Boroughs).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, to leave out from the word "*England*" to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "Every person entitled to vote in Parliamentary Elections in respect of any qualification in any part of a county, other than *London*, and not within the limits of a borough, shall be entitled to be registered to vote as a county elector in the parish in which the qualifying property is situate: Provided, that a person having more than one qualification in the same county shall not vote more than once in the election of the same county authority.

"(2.) For the said purpose there shall be added to the lists of Parliamentary electors in counties separate lists of persons who are disqualified for being registered as voters in Parliamentary Elections only by reason that they are peers or women, and those persons shall be entitled to be registered as county electors under this Act."

Question proposed, That the word "*The*" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, to leave out from the word "*England*" to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "Every owner and also every ratepayer as defined by Rules 10 and 11 of Schedule 2 to 'The Public Health

Act, 1875,' in respect of property situated within any part of a county, and within the limits of a borough, shall be entitled to be registered under this Act to vote as a county elector in the parish in which the qualifying property is situate."

Question put, That the word "*The*" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 259.
Yeas, { Colonel *Waltrond* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Ambrose*, } 52.
Noes, { Viscount *Cranborne* :

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, after the word "*person*," to insert the words "being a ratepayer."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Roll of County Electors).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 6, after the words "*town clerk*," to insert the words "of county fund for borough fund."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 8, to leave out Sub-section 3.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, to leave out Sub-section 4.

Question proposed, That the words "Provided that nothing in this Section shall prevent a county elector from being enrolled in more than one division roll," stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 5, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Contribution by County Authorities towards the remuneration of Revising Barristers).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 31, to leave out Sub-section 1.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 7 and N° 8, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 9, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10, agreed to.

Three Clauses added.

Schedule added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Glebe Lands* Bill;

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, That the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope*, by Command of His Royal

Royal Highness, acquainted the House, that His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed, to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "Bill be" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "re-committed in respect of three new Clauses," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers Douglas, } 100.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Bradlugh, } 57.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers Douglas, } 116.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Shaw Lefevre, } 74.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Criminal Evidence Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Person charged with offence, and wife or husband to be competent as witnesses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, before the first word "where," to insert the words "in England."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "England," to add the words "and Scotland."

Question proposed, That the words "and Scotland," be added to the proposed Amendment;

After Debate thereon;

Colonel *Saunderson* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

Question put, "That the Question be now put;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Saunderson*, } 213.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. W. A. Hunter, } 121.

Question put accordingly, That the words "and Scotland" be added to the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided;

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Robert Reid, } 278.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. W. A. Hunter: } 52.

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And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill; Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill; Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill; Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read the third time; Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next. Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill; Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill; Railway and Canal Traffic Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill; Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill; Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill; Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill; University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill.

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Ordered.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of this instant May.

Sheriff Courts
(Scotland)
Extracts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Nonconformist
Marriages
(Attendance of
Registrars)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Clerks of the
Peace Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of the Peace Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Agricultural
Labourers'
Holidays (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Railway
Companies
(Carriage of
Fish) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mountains,
Rivers, and
Pathways
(Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of April last, That the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Parliamentary
and Municipal
Electors
(Registration)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary and Municipal Electors (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Assizes Relief
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Metalliferous
Mines Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metalliferous Mines Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Herring
Fishery (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 17th day of this instant May.

Hares Pre-
servation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Factors Acts
Consolidation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Liquor Traffic Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stipendiary Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Advertisement Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Legal Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Moveable Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Vacant Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Queen Anne's Second Reading of the Queen Anne's Bounty Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Trustee Second Reading of the Official Trustee Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Debts Second Reading of the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Guardians of Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Trustee Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage with Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (India) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriages of Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

M. R. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz. :—

Hamilton Water Bill.

James Lewis and Son's Liverpool Copper Wharf Company, Limited, Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway [Lords.]

The *Buenos Ayres and Ensenada Port Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of this House.

City of London (Fire Inquests) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *City of London (Fire Inquests) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Rhymney Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Rhymney Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Metropolis [Whitechapel and Limehouse] Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolis [*Whitechapel and Limehouse*] Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Metropolitan Commons [Farnborough, &c.] Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolitan Commons [*Farnborough, &c.*] Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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The Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order [*Denny and Dunipace Water*] Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order [Denny and Dunipace Water] Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Edmonton Local Board Bill*, in Session 1881, be referred to the Committee on Group D of Private Bills.

Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Corporal Punishment (Memorials), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant May, be printed.

Corporal Punishment (Memorials.) No. 150.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Friendly Societies Acts, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant May, be printed.

Friendly Societies Acts. No. 151.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant May, be printed.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill. No. 152.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Water Orders Confirmation Bill, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant May, be printed.

Water Orders Confirmation Bill. No. 153.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Harwich Harbour*, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant May, be printed.

Harwich Harbour. No. 154.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Board of Trade by an Inspector of Fisheries (Mr. C. E. Fryer), upon the Injury alleged to be caused by the deposit of Rubbish in the Estuary of the River *Thames*.

Fisheries (England and Wales.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 333, 334 and 335.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of the recent Correspondence between the India Office and the Government of India on the subject of the Contagious Diseases and Cantonment Acts and Regulations.

East India (Contagious Diseases.)

Sir *Joseph Bailey* reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the *Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill* had stated that the evidence of Mr. *Richard Elisha Farrant* was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Richard Elisha Farrant* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Private Bills (Group D.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Richard Elisha Farrant* do attend the Committee on Group D of Private Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence and Papers relating to *Abyssinia*, and especially those relating to Mr. *Portal's Mission*.

Abyssinia (Mr. Portal's Mission.)

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Ordered,

Quarries
Regulation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Regulation of Quarries: And that Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Childers, Mr. Thomas Ellis, Mr. Bryn Roberts, Mr. William Abraham (Glamorgan), and Mr. Rathbone do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health
Acts Amend-
ment (Build-
ings in Streets.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts in relation to Buildings in Streets: And that Captain Cotton, Mr. Seton-Kurr, Mr. Brunner, and Mr. Moubray do prepare, and bring it in.

Quarries Regu-
lation Bill.
Bill 254.

Mr. Broadhurst presented a Bill for the Regulation of Quarries: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Public Health
Acts Amend-
ment (Build-
ings in Streets)
Bill.
Bill 255.

Captain Cotton presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts in relation to Buildings in Streets: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Roads and
Bridges
(Scotland) Act
(1878) Amend-
ment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act (1878) Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London,
Brighton, and
South Coast
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Corporation of
London
(Malversation
of Funds.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, in the opinion of this House, it is necessary, without delay, to place the expenditure of the Corporation of the City of London under similar statutory restrictions to those to which other corporations in the Kingdom are subject;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Firth, } 133.
 { Mr. Howell: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Bauman, } 156.
 { Sir Robert Fowler: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Board of Trade
(Working of
Railways.)

A Motion was made and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable to deal more effectually with preventable causes of accidents to Railway servants and the public, and to reduce the excessive hours of labour among several classes of Railway servants; and that it is expedient to further extend, by legislation, the powers of the Board of Trade to insist on the adoption by Railway Companies of more adequate arrangements to secure the safety of their servants and the public, and to obtain from Railway Companies periodical returns of all cases in which their servants have been on duty for more than twelve hours at a time, or have been sent on duty without an interval of nine hours' rest:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Corrupt
Literature.

Resolved, That this House deplores the rapid spread of demoralising Literature in this Country, and is of opinion that the Law against obscene publications and indecent pictures and prints should be vigorously enforced and, if necessary, strengthened.

Voluntary
Schools'
Parliamentary
Grants.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Principle of the Parliamentary Grant in Aid of Voluntary Schools is unjust, and that the Grant should be allocated rather in

proportion to the poverty of School Districts than their wealth:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of—

1. The Counties of *England* and *Wales*, respectively, arranged in alphabetical order, with their Areas and Population; the Ridings of *Yorkshire* and the Parts of *Lincolnshire* to be dealt with as separate Counties, and Liberties to be considered as merged in the Counties; when any County contains any Urban Sanitary District whose Population according to the Census of 1881 exceeded 100,000, the Population of the County to be stated both inclusive and exclusive of the Population of such Districts; such parts of any County as are situate in the Metropolis as defined for the purposes of the Metropolis Management Act will be noted separately with their Area and Population in stating the Area and Population of the County in which such parts are geographically situate; the Area and Population of the Metropolis to be stated separately, distinguishing the City of *London* and the parts of the several Counties of which the Metropolis is made up:

2. The Urban Sanitary Districts of *England* and *Wales*, arranged according to Counties (as above defined) in alphabetical order, with their Areas, so far as the information is in possession of the Local Government Board, and Population, and the nature of their Local Government, whether Borough Improvement District or Local Government District; when an Urban Sanitary District is situated in more Counties than one, the fact to be stated, with the Area and Population of the part situate in each County:

3. The Rural Sanitary Districts in *England* and *Wales*, arranged according to Counties, as above defined, in alphabetical order, showing the Area and Population of each Sanitary District; when a Rural Sanitary District is situate in more Counties than one, the part of each District situate in each County to be dealt with as a separate Rural Sanitary District:

4. The Poor Law Unions and other Poor Law Areas not situate in the Metropolis, showing the Population of each Union, the County or Counties in which it is situate, with the Population in each County when more than one, the number of Urban Sanitary Districts and Rural Sanitary Districts which it contains, distinguishing the number in each County when more than one;

5. The Parishes in each County, with their Area and Population, which overlap the boundaries of the County; "Parish" means a place for which a separate Overseer is or can be appointed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Office under the Crown (Vacating of Seats) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Wednesday, 9th May, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday the 8th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burials Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board Elections (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of June next.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 14th day of June next.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Local Management, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Local Management, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of June next.

Partnership Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Libel Law Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Libel Law Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N^o 1 (Interpretation).

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.

Mr Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trawling (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

Registration of Clubs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Clubs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Deacons (Church of England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deacons (Church of England) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of June next.

Corn Returns Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Returns Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of this instant May.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intestates Estates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Queen Anne's Bounty Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment of an additional remuneration to Revising Barristers, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament pending the repayment to the Treasury by the Local Authority of their proportion of the remuneration of Revising Barristers, in pursuance of the provisions of any Act of the present Session, to provide for the Qualification and Registration of Electors for the purposes of Local Government in England and Wales;

Sir Michael Hicks Beach, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, in the case of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision,

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Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill.

2. That, in the case of the *London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill*, Petitions of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, and the *British India Steam Navigation Company*, for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of their Petitions against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on the *London and North Western Railway Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board was laid before the Committee with reference to the stopping-up of certain roads and footpaths, and the Committee, having considered the circumstances, have sanctioned the same; that the said Report also related to the provisions of a certain agreement between the Company and the Local Boards of *Ravensthorpe and Thornhill* proposed to be confirmed by the Bill, and recommended the insertion in the Bill of provisions with respect to the raising of money under the agreement, and the Committee have inserted a Clause to meet the views of the Board.

Mr. Henry Selwin-Ibbetson further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on the *Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill*, That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 8th of May, the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional provision therein mentioned.

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 2.)

Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Two of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill*, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Weekly Wages Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 30th day of this instant May, the *Weekly Wages Bill*, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 9th May, 1888.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to indisposition.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Prayers, Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Life Association of Scotland Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The *Aberpergwm Estate (Bridges) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Barking Parish Division Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Forth Bridge Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Southampton Street Tramways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *South Lincolnshire Fen Water Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill* be read a second time tomorrow.

The *Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered, That Committees shall not sit tomorrow, being Ascension Day, until Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Public Houses (Ireland) (Saturday Closing) Bill*;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. T. W. Russell rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

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The House divided.
 The Yeas to the Right;
 The Noes to the Left.
 Tellers for the {Colonel Waring,
 Yeas, {Mr. Arthur O'Connor: } 195.
 Tellers for the {Mr. John O'Connor,
 Noes, {Mr. Timothy M. Healy: } 97.
 So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
 And the Question being accordingly put, That
 the word "now" stand part of the Question;
 The House divided.
 The Yeas to the Right;
 The Noes to the Left.
 Tellers for the {Mr. T. W. Russell,
 Yeas, {Mr. Maurice Healy: } 178.
 Tellers for the {Mr. John O'Connor,
 Noes, {Mr. Henry Campbell: } 102.
 So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
 Mr. T. W. Russell claimed, "That the Main
 Question be now put";
 And the Main Question, That the Bill be
 now read a second time, being put:—It was
 resolved in the Affirmative.
 Then the Bill was read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the
 Select Committee on the Sunday Closing Acts
 (Ireland).
Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Com-
 mittee to consider the subject-matter of the said
 Bill, and report thereupon.

Bills of
 Exchange
 Registration
 Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
 Second Reading of the Bills of Exchange Regis-
 tration Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Tuesday next.

Suffragans'
 Nomination
 Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
 Second Reading of the Suffragans' Nomination
 Bill;
 And a Motion being made, and the Question
 being proposed, That the Bill be now read a
 second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
 And, it being half an hour after Five of the
 clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon
 Tuesday next.

Poinding
 (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
 Second Reading of the Poinding (Scotland)
 Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next.

Sale of
 Intoxicating
 Liquors on
 Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the
 Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating
 Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday the 30th day of this instant
 May.

Merchant
 Shipping Act
 (1854) Amend-
 ment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
 Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Act
 (1854) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

Reformatory
 Schools Act
 (1866) Amend-
 ment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
 Second Reading of the Reformatory Schools
 Act (1866) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 To-morrow.

Representation
 of the People
 Acts Amend-
 ment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
 Second Reading of the Representation of the
 People Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Friday the 15th day of June next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary
 Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections
 (Meetings in Schools) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Livery
 Second Reading of the Livery Franchise
 (London) Abolition Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Friendly
 Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act
 (1875) (No. 3) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary
 Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections
 Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Friday the 15th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Borough Funds
 Second Reading of the Borough Funds Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Port and
 Second Reading of the Port and Harbour Au-
 thorities (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trees (Ireland)
 Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing of
 Second Reading of the Housing of Working
 Classes (London) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tenure of
 Second Reading of the Tenure of Houses in
 Towns (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Supply.
 mittee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday
 next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Ways and
 mittee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday
 next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Partnership
 mittee on the Partnership Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednes-
 day the 6th day of June next, resolve itself into
 the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read for the Legal Proceed-
 Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports)
 (Reports) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary
 Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections
 (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
 upon Friday next.

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Public Health
(Prevention of
Infectious
Diseases, &c.)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary
Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Electors
[Remuneration
of Revising
Barristers.]

The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors [Remuneration of Revising Barristers];

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses].

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the ratification of an Agreement for Naval Defence with the Australasian Colonies, and the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be necessary for carrying the Agreement into effect, and the borrowing of such sums by means of terminable annuities; also the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be necessary for providing for the Defence of certain Ports and Coaling Stations and making other provisions for Imperial Defence, and the borrowing of such sums by means of Treasury Bills or Exchequer Bonds;

The Lord Advocate, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London,
Camberwell,
and Dulwich
Tramways Bill.

Sir John Kennaway reported from the Committee on the London, Camberwell, and Dulwich Tramways Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Kingston-
upon-Thames
Improvement
Bill.

Mr. Hastings reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills: That in the case of the Kingston-upon-Thames Improvement Bill, Reports from the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Local Government Board relative to the Bill were referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations in those Reports have been dealt with by the Committee is set forth in Appendices (B) and (C) respectively.

Mr. Hastings further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills
(Group 5.)

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, to suit the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Friday, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Wodehouse reported the Clyde Navigation Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Wodehouse reported the Holsworthy and Bude Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Wodehouse reported the Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Wodehouse reported from the Committee on the Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill; That, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 18th day of April last, the Committee had made provision in the Bill to the effect that the sum of Four thousand nine hundred and two pounds eleven shillings, balance of the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Railways authorised by "The Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Act, 1882," invested in the Three per Centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, and now liable to forfeiture, shall, subject to the provisions of Sections 47 and 48 of the said Act, remain as a security for the completion of the portions of the Railway No. 1 authorised by the said Act, the powers to construct which are by the Bill revived, as if the same had never been liable to forfeiture.

Mr. Wodehouse further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the reference to running powers over the Railways of the Taff Vale Railway Company, in order to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and to be printed.

Mr. Wodehouse reported from the Committee on the Rosendale Valley Tramways Bill; That, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 13th day of April, the Committee had made provision in the Bill authorising the repayment of the sum of Two hundred and twelve pounds Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, being the proportion of the deposit fund transferred or paid as security for completion of the Tramways authorised by "The Manchester, Bury, and Rochdale Tramways (Extensions) Order, 1882," applicable to so much of the Tramway No. 7A authorised by the said Order as remains uncompleted.

Mr. Wodehouse further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting a recital relating to the deposit fund and other verbal Amendments in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 10th May, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's
Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition:

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Frodsham Gas
and Water Bill.

The *Frodsham Gas and Water Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London,
Tilbury, and
Southend
Railway Bill.

The *London Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Midland
Railway Bill.

The *Midland Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with a new Title, as followeth:

An Act to confer additional Powers upon the Midland Railway Company for the Construction of Works and the Acquisition of Lands, for raising further Capital for vesting in that Company the powers of the *Dore and Chinley Railway Company*, and for extending the time for the acquisition of Lands for, and the Construction of the *Dore and Chinley Railway*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Perth Water
and Gas Bill
[Lords.]

The *Perth Water and Gas Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ulster Canal
and Tyrone
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth
Report.

Public Records
(Home Office.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Second Schedule containing a List and Particulars of Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Office of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial
Possessions.

Baron *Henry de Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887, No. 6 (*Tobago*).

Colonial
Possessions.

Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887, No. 7 (*Gibraltar*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Hydro-
grapher's
Report.)

Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report by the Hydrographer of the Admiralty of the work
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performed under the direction of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty during the year 1887 in the Examination and Charting of the Seas and Coasts in various parts of the Globe.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *John Gorst* presented,—Return to an East India Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *East India (Contagious Diseases)*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 336, 337, and 338.

Copy of Report on subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 93.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir *Joseph Bailey* reported from the Committee on Group D. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent the Disclosure of Documents and Information by means either of Spies or of Breaches of Official Trust: And that Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. Secretary Stanhope, and Lord *George Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly presented a Bill to prevent the Disclosure of Documents and Information by means either of Spies or of Breaches of Official Trust: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Electors Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Perpetuation, with Amendments, of 49 & 50 Vic. c. 42, and repeal of 6 & 7 Vic. c. 18, s. 59) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Making out of lists and registers in Metropolis) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, in respect of an Amendment to Clause 8:—The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 8 (Contribution by County Authorities towards the remuneration of Revising Baristers).

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *J. W. Lowther* reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill in respect of Clause 8.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]
Trade,
Shipping, and
Manufactures.

The Railway and Canal Traffic Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to the Standing Committee on Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures.

National
Defence Bill.

The National Defence Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India
Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Criminal
Evidence Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Person charged with offence, and wife or husband to be competent as witness). Amendment, as amended, in p. 1, l. 5, before the word "where," to insert the words "in England and Scotland."

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 95.
Yeas,	Mr. Marjoribanks:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 193.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

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And it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lunacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary
Under Secretary
to the
Lord Lieutenant
of
Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Theatres
(Metropolis)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Victoria University Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Exemption from Mortmain Act of Victoria University).

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Small Debts (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

School Boards (Scotland) Electors. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relative to the Qualification of Electors of School Boards in Scotland: And that Mr. J. B. Balfour, Mr. Preston Bruce, and Mr. Donald Crawford do prepare, and bring it in.

School Boards (Scotland) Electors Bill. Bill 257. Mr. J. B. Balfour accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relative to the Qualification of Electors of School Boards in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act (1878) Amendment Bill. *Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act (1878) Amendment Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.] A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of additional remuneration to County Court Judges and officers of County Courts in respect of any additional duties in disposing of cases transferred to the County Court, under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for making provision for the better disposal of the business under the Land Law (Ireland) Acts, and for other purposes relating thereto;

Mr. Arthur Balfour, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill. The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill, was read, and discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

Factors Acts Consolidation Bill. The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill, was read, and discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

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THE House met at Three of the clock.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Prayers, Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—
Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—
Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Bill.

Preston Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker laid upon the Table,—
Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Brymbo Water Bill;
Brymbo Water Bill. and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The City of London (Fire Inquests) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Rhymney Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board under "The Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878," relating to the Counties of Durham, Hertford, and Westmoreland: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered,

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Order
(Port.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm an Order of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Public Health Act, 1875," as amended by "The Public Health (Ships, &c.) Act, 1885," relating to the Port of *Dartmouth*: And that Mr. *Long* and Mr. *Ritchie* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Highways)
Bill.

Bill 258.

Mr. *Long* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board under "The Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878," relating to the Counties of *Durham*, *Hertford*, and *Westmoreland*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Govern-
ment (Provi-
sional Order
(Port) Bill.

Bill 259.

Mr. *Long* presented a Bill to confirm an Order of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Public Health Act, 1875," as amended by "The Public Health (Ships, &c.) Act, 1885," relating to the Port of *Dartmouth*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public
Petitions
(Eleventh
Report.)

Sir *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 3rd, 4th, 7th, 8th and 9th days of this instant May; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London
Tramways
(Various
Powers) Bill.

Sir *John Kennaway* reported from the Committee on the *London Tramways* (Various Powers) Bill; That, in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 13th day of March last, the powers to construct Tramways Nos. 2, 2A, and 2B had been struck out of the Bill.

Sir *John Kennaway* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to, and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth
Report.

Intermediate
Education
(Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the intermediate Education Board for *Ireland*, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, appointing the places at which Examinations shall be held in 1888.

Copy of the Report of the Metropolitan Board of Works, 1887:—Also, Account, in Abstract, showing the Receipt and Expenditure, under the several distinct Heads, for the year ending the 31st December 1887:—Also, a Summary Statement of all Contracts entered into during such period, and of the Moneys owing to, and Debts and Liabilities owing by, the Board on the 31st December 1887.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Gas Orders
Confirmation
(No. 1) Bill.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill.

Gas Orders
Confirmation
(No. 2) Bill.

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Or-

ders included in the Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill.

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of Gas and Water the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill.

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of Tramways the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Tramways Provisional Orders Bill.

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of Tramways the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Tramways Provisional Orders Bill.

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of Water Orders the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Water Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir *John Gorst* presented, pursuant to the di- East India rections of several Acts of Parliament,—Finance (Finance and Revenue Accounts of the Government of India for the year 1886-87.)

Estimate of Revenue and Expenditure of the East India Government of *India* for 1887-88, compared with (Estimate.) the Results of 1886-87.

Home Accounts of the Government of *India*:— East India (Home Ac- counts.)

1. An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the Government of *India*, from 1st April 1886 to 31st March 1887:—2.

Report of the Auditor upon the *Indian* Home Accounts, from 1st April 1886 to 31st March 1887, prepared and submitted to Parliament and to the Secretary of State in Council in pursuance of 52nd section of Act 21 & 22 Vic. c. 106:—3.

Report of the Auditor of the *Indian* Home Accounts on the Stores Account, from 1st April 1886 to 31st March 1887, prepared and submitted to Parliament and to the Secretary of State in Council, in pursuance of 52nd section of Act 21 & 22 Vic. c. 106:—4.

Statement of the Net Expenditure incurred on Account of the Royal *Indian* Engineering College during the year ended 31st March 1887:—5.

Capital and Revenue Accounts of the *Indo-European* Telegraphs to 31st March 1887:—6.

Account of the Charges and Receipts in respect of the *Indian* Troop Service during the year ended 31st March 1887:—7.

Comparison of the Estimated and Actual Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the Government of *India* for the year 1886-87:—8.

Estimated Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the Government of *India* from 1st April 1887 to 31st March 1888:—9.

Statement showing New or Increased Salaries, Establishments, or Pensions granted or created in *England* between 1st April 1887 and 31st March 1888:—10.

Account showing the Total Amount of the *Indian* Debt raised in *England*, the Annual Charge thereof, and the *Indian* Railway Annuities, on the 31st March 1887; the Debt and Charge created in the year ended 31st March 1888; the Debt and Charge and the Annuities reduced in that year; and the Total Amount of Debt the Annual Charge thereof, and the *Indian* Railway Annuities on the 31st March 1888:—11.

List of the Establishment of the Secretary of State in Council of *India*; and Estimate of the Amount required in the year ending 31st March 1889 to pay the Salaries and other Expenses of the *India* Office and of the Office of the Auditor of the Accounts of the Secretary of State in Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir *William Hart Dyke* presented, pursuant to Ancient the directions of several Acts of Parliament,— Monuments.

Copy

Copy of Order in Council of the 3rd May 1888, declaring that certain Monuments shall be deemed to be Ancient Monuments under the Provisions of the "Ancient Monuments Protection Act, 1882."

Universities of
Oxford and
Cambridge Act,
1877 (Oxford.)
No. 156.

Copies of,—
1. Statute made by the Governing Body of *Exeter College, Oxford*, under "The Universities of *Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877*," on the 30th June 1887, amending Statute III., Section 7, and Statute V., Section 1, of the Statutes relating to the College;

2. Statutes made by the Governing Body of *Jesus College, Oxford*, under "The Universities of *Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877*," on the 16th January 1888, amending Statute V., Clauses 3 and 6 of the Statutes relating to the College;

3. Statutes made by the Governing Body of *Lincoln College, Oxford*, under "The Universities of *Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877*," on the 27th January 1888, amending cap. 2, Section 5 and Section 10 of the Statutes of the College; and—

4. Statutes made by the Governing Body of *Magdalen College, Oxford*, under "The Universities of *Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877*," on the 1st February 1888, supplementary to the existing Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the Paper relative to the Universities of *Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford)*, be printed.

Supplementary
Estimates.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of February last, for a Return relative to the Supplementary Estimates.

National Debt
(Savings
Banks.)

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Balance Sheet, setting forth the Assets and Liabilities of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, in respect of Trustee Savings Banks, on the 20th November 1887, the Assets being valued pursuant to (I.) 26 Vic. c. 25, s. 6, and (II.) 43 & 44 Vic. c. 36, s. 1.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Registrars'
Fees (Middle-
sex.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing for each of the years 1884, 1885, 1886, and 1887, the Fees received by the Registrars of *Middlesex*, the Number of Transactions, the Expenses of the Office, and the Net Amount paid to the surviving Registrar and to the Queen's Remembrancer (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 149, of Session 1884).

Cardiff, Pen-
arth, and Barry
Junction Rail-
way Bill
(Parties do not
proceed.)

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on Group No. 5 of Railway Bills; That the parties promoting the *Cardiff, Penarth, and Barry Junction Railway Bill* had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills
(Group 5.)

Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Local
Government
Provisional
Orders Bill
(Provisional
Orders
confirmed.)

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on Local the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Government Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; Provisional that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and Bill (Pro- Orders (No. 2) Bill (Pro- visional Orders confirmed.) without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on Local the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Government Provisional Law) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be con- Law) Bill (Pro- Orders (Poor Law) Bill (Pro- visional Orders confirmed.) firmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Com- Local mittee on the Local Government Provisional Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2) Bill; That they had Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2) Bill (Pro- considered the said Orders; that the said Orders visional Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed confirmed.) him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on Local the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Government Provisional Law) (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered Orders (Poor Law) (No. 3) Bill (Pro- the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to visional Orders be confirmed; and that they had directed him to confirmed.) report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on Local the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Government Provisional Law) (No. 4) Bill; That they had considered Orders (Poor Law) (No. 4) Bill (Pro- the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to visional Orders be confirmed; and that they had directed him confirmed.) to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House; and had amended the Title, as followeth:

A Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local [Title amended.] Government Board under the Provisions of the Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876, as amended and extended by the Poor Law Act, 1879, relating to the Parishes of *Aberffraw, Ceidio, Edeyrn, Llanddoged, Llangadwaladr, Llanrhydwyn, Nevin, Trefriew, and Tydwellog*, and to the Townships of *Llanrwst and Tre Gwydir*.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on Local the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Government Provisional Law) (No. 5) Bill; That they had considered the Orders (Poor Law) (No. 5) Bill (Pro- said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be visional Orders confirmed; and that they had directed him to confirmed.) report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House; and had amended the Title, as followeth:

A Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local [Title amended.] Government Board under the Provisions of the Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876, as amended and extended by the Poor Law Act, 1879, relating to the Parishes of *Avington, Berstead, Brixton, Brook, Calbourne, Easton, Gatcombe, Itchen Abbas, Itchen Stoke, Kingston, Saint Nicholas, Shalfleet, Shorwell, and Thornham*.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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Mr.

South Eastern
Metropolitan
(Lewisham,
Greenwich,
and District)
Tramways Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported the South Eastern Metropolitan (Lewisham, Greenwich, and District) Tramways Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Folkestone,
Sandgate, and
Hythe Tram-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe Tramways Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Manchester,
Middleton,
and District
Tramways Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported the Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bute Docks,
Cardiff, Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill, as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

National
Defence [Re-
muneration,
&c.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of remuneration to Railway Companies for receiving and forwarding Traffic under the authority of a Secretary of State or the Admiralty, and of compensation to any person suffering loss for anything done under such authority, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision respecting National Defence;

Mr. W. H. Smith, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
[Salaries &c.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the Salary and Pension of any additional Judge that may be appointed under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the better regulation of Railway and Canal Traffic, and for other purposes, and the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Salaries of the Commissioners, Officers, Clerks, and Messengers appointed under the said Act, and of all Expenses of the Railway and Canal Commission, and also of remuneration to any Person appointed by the Board of Trade for communicating with Railway Companies with respect to Charges complained of in pursuance of the said Act;

Mr. W. H. Smith, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishery Acts
Amendment
(Ireland)
(No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Fisheries of Ireland; And that Mr. Macartney, Mr. O'Neill, and Sir Charles Lewis do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886": And that Dr. Clark, Mr. Angus Sutherland, Dr. Macdonald, and Mr. Macintosh do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the abolition of the Ratal Qualifications for Members of Vestries: And that Mr. James Rowlands, Mr. Cremer, Mr. Howell, Mr. Whitmore, Mr. Pickersgill, and Mr. James Stuart do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Macartney presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Fisheries of Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next; and to be printed. Bill 260.

Dr. Clark presented a Bill to amend "The Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed. Bill 261.

Mr. J. Rowlands presented a Bill for the abolition of the Ratal Qualifications for Members of Vestries: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed. Bill 262.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "on a new Member presenting himself with his introducers below the bar, at the time and under the conditions specified in the Standing Order 86, Mr. Speaker, unless the House otherwise resolve, shall forthwith call such Member to the Table for the purpose of taking his seat," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir Henry James, 147.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Staveley Hill, 152.

Mr. Bradlaugh, 152.

Mr. Burt:

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "on a new Member presenting himself with his introducers below the bar, at the time and under the conditions specified in the Standing Order 86, Mr. Speaker, unless the House otherwise resolve, shall forthwith call such Member to the Table for the purpose of taking his seat," be there added;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by leaving out the words "unless the House otherwise resolve."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "on a new Member presenting himself with his introducers below the bar, at the time and under the conditions specified in the Standing Order 86, Mr. Speaker shall forthwith call such Member to the Table for the purpose of taking his seat,"

"his seat," be added to the word "That" in the original Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 152.
Yeas, { Mr. Burt: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 180.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding after the word "That," in the original Question, the words "this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee of Supply."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "no Committee of Inquiry into Pleuro-pneumonia in Cattle will be satisfactory which is not specially empowered to conduct practical experiments, with the view of ascertaining the value of inoculation, and the characteristics of the disease."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Deputy Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Deputy Speaker, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

Monday, 14th May 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition.

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,— Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [Lords]. (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,— Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Bexley Heath Railway Bill.

Seaford Dock and Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order complied with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,— Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the fol-

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lowing Bills, referred on the first Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas) Bill.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,— Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable) Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 6) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,— Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill. Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 8th day of this instant May, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, viz.:

Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Clyde Navigation Bill was read the third time, and passed. Clyde Navigation Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Life Association of Scotland Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment. Life Association of Scotland Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill was read the third time, and passed. Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Cork and Bandon Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow. Cork and Bandon Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Glasgow Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee. Glasgow Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Holsworthy and Bude Railway Bill. Holsworthy and Bude Railway Bill [Lords.]

Ordered That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee. Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Limerick Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee. Limerick Harbour Bill.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London and
North Western
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London and North Western Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London, Cam-
berwell and
Dulwich Tram-
ways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London, Camberwell, and Dulwich Tramways Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hamilton
Water Bill
[Lords.]

The *Hamilton Water Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Henley-on-
Thames Gas
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the *Henley-on-Thames Gas Bill* be read a second time To-morrow.

James Lewis
and Son's
Liverpool
Copper Wharf
Company,
Limited, Bill
[Lords.]

The *James Lewis and Son's Liverpool Copper Wharf Company, Limited, Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Ulster Canal
and Tyrone
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill*;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the {Mr. Biggar,

Yeas, {Mr. T. M. Healy: } 101.

Tellers for the {Sir James Corry,

Noes, {Mr. T. W. Russell: } 158.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the original Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local
Government
Provisional
Orders (Poor
Law) (No. 2)
Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 3) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 4) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 4) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order, made upon the 14th day of February last, That the *Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill* be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Release of Deposits];

First. Of authorising the release of Two hundred and fifty pounds, being the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Barrow-in-Furness Tramways Order, 1884*," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;

Secondly. Of authorising the release of Three hundred and thirty-nine pounds, the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways Nos. 21, 22, and part of 23, authorised by "The *Birmingham and Western District Tramways Order, 1883*," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;

Thirdly. Of authorising the release of Seven hundred and forty pounds seventeen shillings and five pence New Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the balance of the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Newbury and Lamborne Tramways Order, 1874*," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;

Fourthly. Of authorising the release of the sum of One thousand four hundred and seventy-three pounds five shillings and eleven pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Pontypridd and Rhondda Valley Tramways Order, 1882*," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;

Mr. *Raihes*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Twelfth
Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Kalk Bay and Simon's Bay Railway*, which was presented upon the 24th day of April last, be printed. No. 157.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India (Contagious Diseases)*, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant May, be printed. No. 158.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Metropolitan Board of Works, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed. No. 159.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed. No. 160.

Ordered,

Gas Orders
Confirmation
(No. 2) Bill.
No. 161.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

Gas and Water
Orders Confirmation
Bill.
No. 162.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

Tramways
Provisional
Orders (No. 2)
Bill.
No. 163.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

Tramways
Provisional
Orders (No. 3)
Bill.
No. 164.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

Water Orders
Confirmation
(No. 2) Bill.
No. 165.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Water Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

East India
(Estimate.)
No. 166.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Estimate), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

East India
(Home
Accounts.)
No. 167.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Home Accounts), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

Ancient
Monuments.
No. 168.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Ancient Monuments, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

Supplementary
Estimates.
No. 169.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Supplementary Estimates, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

National Debt
(Savings
Banks.)
No. 170.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the National Debt (Savings Banks), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

Royal
University of
Ireland.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixth Report of the Royal University of Ireland.

Royal
University of
Ireland.

Copy of Royal Warrant, approving alterations in the Statutes of the Royal University of Ireland.

Endowed
Schools
(Wales and
Monmouth-
shire) (Replies
to Inquiries by
Charity Com-
missioners.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty dated the 27th day of April last, for a Return relative to Endowed Schools (*Wales and Monmouthshire*) (Replies to Inquiries by Charity Commissioners).

Polling
Districts
(County of
Durham.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order of Quarter Sessions altering the Polling Districts in the *Houghton-le-Spring* Division of the County of *Durham*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Civil Services
and Revenue
Departments
(1888-9.)
No. 171.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Estimate showing the several Services for which a further Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1889.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Contagious
Diseases
(Animals) Acts,
1873 to 1886.

Sir *William Hart Dyke* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated the 8th May 1888:—

1. Prohibiting the landing in *England or Wales or Scotland* of Animals from the Kingdom of *Belgium*;

2. Prohibiting the landing in *England or Wales or Scotland* of Animals from the Port of *Flushing*, in the Kingdom of the *Netherlands*; and

3. The Animals (Amendment) Order of 1888.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifth Report of the Comptroller General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks, with Appendices, for the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Osborne Morgan* reported from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, to whom the County Courts Consolidation Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth: An Act to consolidate and amend the County Courts Acts.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, relating to the Conviction of a Member of this House:—

Sir,

Limerick, 10th May 1888.

I have the honor to report that on the 7th instant, at *Mitchelstown*, Mr. *Condon*, M.P., was tried and convicted before a Court constituted under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," of which I was a member, and sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment without hard labour. The offence charged was for taking part in an unlawful assembly, under Sec. 2 of said Act.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Irwin, R.M.

The Right Honble.

The Speaker, House of Commons.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, relating to the Conviction of a Member of this House:—

County of *Louth*.

Sir,

Drogheda, 12th May 1888.

I have the honour to report that on yesterday, 11th inst., at *Mells*, in this County, before a Court of Petty Sessions, under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," of which I was Chairman, found Mr. *John Dillon*, M.P., guilty of having on 8th ulto., in this County, taken part in the "Plan of Campaign," and the sentence of the Court was that Mr. *Dillon* be imprisoned in *Dundalk* Gaol for six months without hard labour.

Mr. *Dillon* was again tried to-day, before the same Court, on a charge of having on the same occasion incited others to take part in the "Plan of Campaign," on this charge he was also found guilty and sentenced to the same term of imprisonment, to run concurrently with first sentence.

From these orders Mr. *Dillon* has appealed to the County Court Judge, to be heard on 20th June next.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedt. Servt.,

Thos. Hamilton,

Resident Magistrate.

Right Honble. *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, M.P.,
Speaker, House of Commons.

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Ordered,

National
Debt (Supple-
mental.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain Amendments in the Law consequential on the passing of "The National Debt (Conversion) Act, 1888": And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *William Henry Smith*, and Mr. *Jackson* do prepare, and bring it in.

National
Debt (Supple-
mental) Bill.
Bill 264.

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented a Bill to make certain Amendments in the Law consequential on the passing of "The National Debt (Conversion) Act, 1888": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Contempt of
Court (Persons
(Detained).)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Persons detained in Prisons in *England* and *Wales* under Committal by Judges for Contempt of Court, or who are otherwise in Prison without Trial, and are not awaiting Trial; the Name, Address, and Occupation of each Prisoner; by whom committed, and the Cause of Committal; Date of Committal and of Imprisonment; Medical Report on Physical and Mental Condition of each Prisoner; whether committed for a specific Term or indefinitely, and if for a specific Term when it will expire.

Privilege.

Complaint made to the House by Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Member for *North Longford*, of the inaccuracy of a statement contained in the letter of Mr. *Thomas Hamilton*, Chairman of the Petty Sessions Court held at *Mells*, in the County of *Louth*, relating to the Conviction of Mr. *Dillon*, a Member of this House, which was this day read to the House by Mr. Deputy Speaker;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the letter of Mr. *Thomas Hamilton*, Resident Magistrate, dated the 12th May, addressed to Mr. Speaker, is a breach of the privileges of this House, as containing an untruthful statement regarding the arrest and conviction of a Member of this House;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *T. M. Healy*,
Yeas, { Mr. *Dillwyn*: } 189.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Ahers-Douglas*,
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*: } 250.

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Customs and
Inland Revenue
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Customs and Inland Revenue Bill, without Amendment.

Draycott Gas
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Draycott Gas* Bill, without Amendment.

Govan Burgh
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Govan Burgh* Bill, without Amendment.

Buenos Ayres
and Ensenada
Port Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Buenos Ayres* and *Ensenada* Port Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Perth Water
and Gas Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Perth Water and Gas* Bill, without Amendment.

Wirral Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for conferring further Powers on the *Wirral* Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The Free Church Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Act, 1851"; to extend the benefits of the Fund to the Widows and Orphans of Missionaries of the said Church labouring beyond the United Kingdom, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Wirral* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Office not to disqualify for seat in Parliament).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out from the word "moneys," to the words "to be," in order to insert the word "now."

Question proposed, That the words "to be" stand part of the Clause;

Mr. *William Henry Smith* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Ahers-Douglas*,
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond*: } 190.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Anderson*,
Noes, { Mr. *M. Healy*: } 145.

Question put accordingly, That the words "to be" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Ahers-Douglas*,
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond*: } 191.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Heneage*,
Noes, { Mr. *T. W. Russell*: } 183.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, to leave out from the word "voting," to the end of the Clause.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Ahers-Douglas*,
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond*: } 230.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Arnold Morley*,
Noes, { Mr. *Marjoribanks*: } 191.

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Tuesday, 15th May, 1888:

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Imperial Defence [Expenses.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Defence Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Official Secrets Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

East India Officers Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Criminal Evidence Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Defence [Remuneration, &c.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on National Defence [Remuneration, &c.];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriffs Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will this day resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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The

Reformatory
Schools Act
(1866) Amend-
ment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Legal Proceed-
ings (Reports)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Public Health
(Prevention of
Infectious
Diseases, &c.)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Municipal
Franchise
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

National
School
Teachers
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of June next.

Reproductive
Loan Fund
(Ireland) Acts
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Reproductive Loan Fund (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

School Board
for London
(Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Access to
Mountains
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Technical
Education
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Technical
Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Footpaths and
Roadside
Wastes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Footpaths and Roadside Wastes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of June next.

Mountains,
Rivers, and
Pathways
(Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of April last, That the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 7th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stipendiary Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Clubs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Queen Anne's Second Reading of the Queen Anne's Bounty Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Holdings Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee on the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of June next.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Sale of Wednesday the 30th day of this instant May, Intoxicating the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill, Liquors on Sunday Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into Victoria a Committee, this day, on the Victoria University University Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, Factors Acts the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill was read, Consolidation and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, Friendly the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill was Societies Con- read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, Preferential the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill was Payment of Wages Bill, read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

The

School Board
for London
Election Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the School Board for London Election Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 15th May, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's
Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition.

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Provisional
Order Bills
(No Standing
Orders
applicable.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Cork and
Bandon
Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Cork and Bandon Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Battersea
Vestry (Parish
Lands) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of June next.

Henley-on-
Thames Gas
Bill [Lords.]

The Henley-on-Thames Gas Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Tramways
Provisional
Orders (No. 1)
Bill [Release
of Deposits.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Release of Deposits].

(In the Committee.)

Barrow-in-
Furness Tram-
ways Order.

Resolved, First. That it is expedient to authorise the release of Two hundred and fifty pounds, being the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The Barrow-in-Furness Tramways Order, 1884," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Birmingham
and Western
District Tram-
ways Order.

Resolved, Secondly. That it is expedient to authorise the release of Three hundred and thirty-nine pounds, the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways Nos. 21, 22, and part of 23, authorised by "The Birmingham and Western District Tramways Order, 1883," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Newbury and
Lamborne
Order.

Resolved, Thirdly. That it is expedient to authorise the release of Seven hundred and forty pounds seventeen shillings and five pence New Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the balance of the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The Newbury and Lamborne Tramways Order, 1874," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

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Resolved, Fourthly. That it is expedient to authorise the release of the sum of One thousand four hundred and seventy-three pounds five shillings and eleven pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The Pontypridd and Rhondda Valley Tramways Order, 1882," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Herbert Maxwell reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The Order made upon the 14th day of this instant May, That the Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seven Members; Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Twelfth
Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Army (Military Intelligence Department), which was presented upon the 9th day of April last, be printed.

(Military
Intelligence
Department.)
No. 173.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Rules by the Secretary for Scotland, under the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877,—

1. Appointing the Police Cells in the Borough of Oban to be a Legal Prison, for the Detention of Convicted Prisoners, for a period not exceed-

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ing Fourteen Days before, or during, or after Trial; and

2. As to the Appointment of a Visiting Committee for the said Police Cells Prison.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 339 to 343.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mint.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighteenth Annual Report of the Deputy Master of the Mint, 1887.

Coal, Cinders,
&c.

Mr. *Jackson* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of March last, for a Return relative to Coal, Cinders, &c.

Sinking Funds

Mr. *Jackson* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, showing the Amount received from the Exchequer in respect of the Old and New Sinking Funds, in the Financial Year ended 31st March 1888; also of the particular Application thereof, pursuant to Section 7 of the Act 38 & 39 Vic. c. 45.

Superannua-
tion Act, 1884.

Copies of Treasury Minute, dated 1st May 1888, declaring that *F. W. K. Smith* was appointed Messenger in the Packet Office at *Southampton*, and Treasury Minute, dated 9th May 1888, declaring that *Ann Black* and *Elizabeth Gillespie* were appointed Post-mistresses at *Moffat* and *Dalbeattie* respectively, without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Heads of their respective Departments.

Post Office
Savings Banks
(Regulations.)

Copy of Post Office Savings Bank Annuity and Insurance Regulations, 1888.

Savings Bank
(Investment)
Regulations.

Copy of Savings Banks (Investment) Regulations, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navigation and
Shipping.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the Navigation and Shipping of the United Kingdom for the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Barry Dock
and Railways
(Further
Powers) Bill.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* reported from the Committee on the *Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting a recital explanatory of the application of capital proposed to be raised, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Barry Dock
and Railways
(Railway Ex-
tension) Bill.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* reported the *Barry Dock and Railways (Railway Extension) Bill*, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Great Western
Railway
(No. 1) Bill.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* reported from the Committee on the *Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill*; That a Report of the Local Government Board was laid before the Committee by which their attention was called to the provisions of certain Clauses of the Bill; That in pursuance of the Instructions of the House of the 4th May, the Committee had made

provisions in the Bill to authorise the release of the Sum of 11,200 £., the amount of the Bond, dated 5th August 1864, entered into by the *Kington and Eardisley Railway Company* and *Richard Green Price* (afterwards Sir *Richard Green Price*, since deceased), under the provisions of Section 17 of the *Kington and Eardisley Railway Act, 1864*, and the delivery up and cancellation of the Bond.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out so much thereof as related to the powers sought by the Company to enter into agreements for the supply of water from the pumping-station at the *Severn Tunnel*, and had otherwise amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Southampton*, in the room of Admiral Sir *John Edmund Commerell*, V.C., G.C.B., who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenham*.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Despatch from the Secretary of State for *India* in Council to the *Indian Government* with respect to the *Contagious Diseases Acts* and the *Cantonment Acts*, and Regulations of that Country.

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill*, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Bristol Port Railway and Pier Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board, with reference to Clauses 54, 56, 60 and 61 of the Bill, was laid before the Committee.

Mr. *Courtney* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *Parker* reported from the Committee on the *London Street Tramways Bill*; That, in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 28th day of February last, the power to construct Tramways Nos. 1, 1A, 4, 5, and 6, has been struck out of the Bill.

Mr. *Parker* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended,

amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Belfast Street
Tramways Bill.

Mr. *Parker* reported from the Committee on the *Belfast Street Tramways Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Rotherham
and Bawtry
Railway Bill.

Mr. *Parker* reported the *Rotherham and Bawtry Railway Bill*, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lanarkshire
and Ayrshire
Railway
(Capital) Bill
[*Lords*.]

Mr. *Parker* reported the *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Capital) Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Chatham and
Brompton
Tramways
(Abandon-
ment) Bill
[*Lords*.]

Mr. *Parker* reported the *Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment) Bill*, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Business of the
House (Notices
of Motion.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the Day for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses] have precedence this day of the Notices of Motion and other Orders of the Day;

An Amendment was proposed, to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House is not prepared to surrender this day to the Government, in view of the fact that the Government has already pledged itself to arrange to enable the Member for the West Division of Nottingham to bring on this evening the Motion that stands in his name, and Her Majesty's Ministers yesterday devoted the time at their disposal to a stage of the Parliamentary Under Secretary for Ireland Salary Bill, which time would otherwise have been at their disposal for the purposes for which they are now asking for the time of private Members," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. *Labouchere* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put
(pursuant to
S.O. Closure of
Debate.)

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 290.
 { Colonel *Walrond*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Labouchere*, } 187.
 { Mr. *Broadhurst*: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That the Order of the Day for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses] have precedence this day of the Notices of Motion and other Orders of the Day.

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Sir *Joseph Bailey* reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Commons (*Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray*) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the *Manchester Ship Canal* (No. 2), Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir *John Mowbray* accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure—

Mr. *Dillwyn*,

Mr. *Ernest Spencer*;

and had appointed in substitution—

Mr. *Macartney*,

Mr. *Thomas P. Price*.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported; from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Member to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures—

Mr. *Peter M'Donald*.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures—

Colonel *Saunderson*;

and had appointed in substitution—

Mr. *Ernest Spencer*.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, in respect of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill, and the Railway and Canal Companies' Charges Bill—

Mr. *Charles Acland*,

Sir *Joseph Bailey*,

Mr. *Barclay*,

Mr. *Barnes*,

Mr. *Dillwyn*,

Mr. *Gray*,

Mr. *Harris*,

Marquis of *Hartington*,

Mr. *Hunter*,

Mr. *Norton*,

Mr. *Francis Sharp Powell*,

Sir *Bernhard Samuelson*,

Mr. *T. Harrop Sidebottom*,

Mr. *Philip Stanhope*,

Mr. *James C. Stevenson*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers on the *Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Company*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The

North Corn-
wall Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Powers of the North Cornwall Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London Sea
Water Supply
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Time for constructing the Works of the London Sea Water Supply Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Staffordshire
Potteries Water
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Limits within which the Staffordshire Potteries Waterworks Company may supply Water, and to empower them to construct additional Works; to raise additional Capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Plymouth,
Devonport,
and South
Western Junction
Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

North Corn-
wall Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The North Cornwall Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London Sea
Water Supply
Bill [Lords.]

The London Sea Water Supply Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Staffordshire
Potteries Water
Bill [Lords.]

The Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Imperial Defence (Expenses).

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question put, That it is expedient to ratify an Agreement for Naval Defence made between Her Majesty's Government and the Governments of Her Majesty's Australian Colonies;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 85.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 37.
Noes, { Sir Wilfrid Lawson: }

2. Motion made, and Question put, That it is expedient to authorise the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums, not exceeding £.850,000, as may be required for building, arming, and completing the vessels mentioned in the Agreement;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 92.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Waddy, } 48.
Noes, { Mr. Labouchere: }

3. Resolved, That the sums so issued shall be repaid to the Consolidated Fund, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for Naval Services, by an Annuity of such amount as will repay the same, with interest at Three per centum per annum, within twelve years.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to raise such sums by means of terminable annuities charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums, not exceeding £.2,600,000, as may be required for the defence

of certain Ports and Coaling Stations, and making further provisions for Imperial Defence.

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Wednesday, 16th May, 1888:

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Contumacy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vexatious Indictments (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Speeches in Parliament Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses, Hours of Closing (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Worship Facilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

The

Colliery
Tenants'
Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

Parochial
Boards (Scot-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Boards (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of June next.

Moveable
Abodes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Quarries
Regulation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Municipal
Rates Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

Intestates'
Estates Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intestates' Estates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

Industrial
Agricultural
Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of June next.

Bills of
Exchange
Registration
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bills of Exchange Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of June next.

Suffragans'
Nomination
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant May, That the Suffragans' Nomination Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 21st day of June next.

Theatres
(Metropolis)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Parliamentary
Under Secre-
tary to the
Lord Lieu-
tenant of
Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Com-
mission) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National
Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Housing of the
Working
Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Second Reading of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Advertisement Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

The Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 15th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of June next.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant May, the Charities (Restitution) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of June next.

Factors Acts Consolidation Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 30th day of this instant May.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 16th May, 1888.

Mr. Speaker's Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition.

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe* Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Bill [Lords.]

The *Liverpool and Birkenhead* Subway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Preston Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The *Preston Corporation* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust Bill [Lords.]

The *Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Release of Deposits.]

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Committee on Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Release of Deposits], several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

First. That it is expedient to authorise the release of Two hundred and fifty pounds, being the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Barrow-in-Furness* Tramways Order, 1884," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Birmingham and Western District Tramways Order.

Secondly. That it is expedient to authorise the release of Three hundred and thirty-nine pounds, the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways Nos. 21, 22, and part of 23, authorised by "The *Birmingham and Western District* Tramways Order, 1883," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Newbury and Lamborne Order.

Thirdly. That it is expedient to authorise the release of Seven hundred and forty pounds seventeen shillings and five pence New Three

Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the balance of the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Newbury and Lamborne* Tramways Order, 1874," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Fourthly, That it is expedient to authorise the release of the sum of One thousand four hundred and seventy-three pounds five shillings and eleven pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Pontypridd and Rhondda Valley* Tramways Order, 1882," and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, That they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolutions.

Ordered, That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the *Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe* Tramways Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Commons [*Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray*] Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Devonport, Okehampton, Ramsgate, and Sandwich*, the Local Government Districts of *Crumpsall and Royton*, and the *Richmond* Main Sewerage District: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Borough of *Brighton* and Town of *Hove*, the *Darent Valley* Main Sewerage District, and the Local Government Districts of *East Barnet Valley, Friern Barnet, and Herne Bay*: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Blackpool and Wigan*, the Rural Sanitary District of the *Chesterfield* Union, and the Local Government District of *Tredegar*: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Ritchie presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Devonport, Okehampton, Ramsgate, and Sandwich*, the Local Government Districts of *Crumpsall and Royton*, and the *Richmond* Main Sewerage District: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Ritchie presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Borough of *Brighton* and Town of *Hove*, the *Darent Valley* Main Sewerage District, and the Local Government Districts of *East*

Pontypridd and Rhondda Valley Tramways Order.

Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe Tramways Bill [Lords.]

Metropolitan Commons [Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray] Provisional Order Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5.) Bill 265.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill. Bill 266.

East Barnet Valley, Friern Barnet, and Herne Bay: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.
Bill 267.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Blackpool* and *Wigan*, the Rural Sanitary District of the *Chesterfield* Union, and the Local Government District of *Tredegar*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth Report.

Endowed Schools (Wales and Monmouthshire) (Replies to Inquiries by Charity Commissioners.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Endowed Schools (*Wales* and *Monmouthshire*), (Replies to Inquiries by Charity Commissioners), which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant May, be printed.

No. 174.

Sinking Funds.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Sinking Funds, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant May, be printed.

Coal, Cinders, &c.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Coal, Cinders, &c., which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant May, be printed.

No. 176.

Navy (Guns.)

Lord *George Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of February last, for Returns relative to the Navy (Guns).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Railways (Certificates) (Nottingham Suburban Railway.)

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Certificate of the Board of Trade for the construction of a Deviation Railway in connection with the *Nottingham Suburban Railway*.

Patents (International and Colonial Arrangements) Rules 1888.

Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade for Applications of Patents under International and Colonial Arrangements, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Criminal Cases (Ireland) (Increase of Sentences on Appeal.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of April last, for a Return relative to Criminal Cases (*Ireland*) (Increase of Sentences on Appeal).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 344, 345 and 346.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*England* and *Wales*) Electors Bill, without any Amendment.

Life Association of Scotland Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Life Association of Scotland Bill, without any Amendment.

Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Barnstaple Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Barnstaple Water Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have agreed to the *Folkestone Water Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Keswick Gas Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend Section Eighty of "The Tithe Rentcharge Act, 1836"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law with respect to the Recovery and Variation of Tithe Rentcharge in *England*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law with respect to the Appliances to be carried by *British Merchant Ships* for Saving Life at Sea; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for incorporating the *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Company* and empowering them to construct Tramways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorising the *Cheadle Railway Mineral and Land Company* (Limited) to construct a Railway in the Parishes of *Draycott-in-the-Moors* and *Cheadle*, in the County of *Stafford*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Construction by the *North British Railway Company* of a Railway from their South *Queensferry* Branch to their *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* Railway; the Maintenance of other Railways; the Purchase of additional Lands; the amalgamation of the *North Monkland Railways Company*; the Lease of the *Newport Railway*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *North British Railway Company* to construct a Railway in the City of *Glasgow* from the College Station of the Company to *Bridgeton Cross*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate with Amendments the *South Staffordshire Waterworks Acts*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to revive and extend the Powers for the compulsory purchase of Lands granted by "The *Medina Subway Act, 1884*," for the purposes of the Subway authorised by that Act; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Cheadle Railway, Mineral, and Land Company Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *North British Railway Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

Trees (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of June next.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill. The Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next.

Registration of Clubs Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Clubs Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of June next.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

Municipal Boundaries (Dublin.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Extension of the Municipal Boundaries of Dublin: And that Mr. Murphy, Mr. T. D. Sullivan, Mr. Timothy Harrington, and Mr. Chance do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal Boundaries (Dublin) Bill. Mr. Murphy accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the Extension of the Municipal Boundaries of Dublin: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed.

London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill. Sir Henry Selwin-Ibbetson reported from the Committee on the London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant May, the Licensing Laws Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of June next.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, Supply, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 17th May, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition:

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Prayers, Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 39 and 129 be suspended, and that the time for depositing Petitions against Private Bills, or against any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order, or Provisional Certificate, and for depositing duplicates of any Documents relating to any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order, or Provisional Certificate, be extended to Thursday 31st May.

The Glasgow Corporation Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments, to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Holworthy and Bude Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Limerick Harbour Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the London and North Western Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Lord Arthur Hill, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The London, Camberwell, and Dulwich Tramways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe Tramways Bill
[Lords.]

The *Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe* Tramways Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill.

The *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. *T. M. Healy*, Mr. *Macartney*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, and Colonel *Saunderson* were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation* Bill.

Metropolitan Commons [Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray] Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolitan Commons [*Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray*] Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

East India (Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company) (First Report.)
No. 177.

Sir *Henry James* reported from the Select Committee on *East India (Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company)*; That they had made progress in the matter to them referred, and had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the Resolution of the Committee is as followeth:

That the Committee having received applications from the Nizam of *Hyderabad*, the *Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company*, the *Sirdar Diler Jung*, Mr. *Witham Clarence Watson*, Mr. *Henry Parkinson Sharp*, and Mr. *James Graham Stewart* to be represented by Counsel before the Committee, the Committee are of opinion that it will be advisable to allow Counsel to represent the said Applicants for the purpose of assisting the Committee to such extent and purposes as the Committee may from time to time direct.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on *East India (Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company)* have leave to hear Counsel (to such extent as they shall think fit) upon the matters referred to them.

Public Petitions.
Vide Twelfth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Navy (Guns.)
No. 178.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy (Guns), which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant May, be printed.

Criminal Cases (Ireland) (Increase of Sentences on Appeal.)
No. 179.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Criminal Cases (*Ireland*) (Increase of Sentences on Appeal), which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Contagious Diseases Acts.)
No. 180.

Sir *John Gorst* presented, — Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 15th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *East India (Contagious Diseases Acts)*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Blunt v. Byrne (Judge's Charge.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of the Judge's Charge in the case of *Blunt v. Byrne*, in the High Court of Justice in *Ireland*, Exchequer Division, 18th February 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Railway Accidents.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Return by Rail-

way Companies upon Railway Accidents and Casualties for the Three Months ending 31st March 1888, together with Reports upon certain Accidents inquired into.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Memorandum of Arrangements entered into with the *Canadian* Government, the principal Land Companies, &c., for the purpose of starting a Colonisation Scheme for the Crofters and Cottars of the Western Highlands of *Scotland*, with Correspondence relative thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *Joseph Bailey* reported from the Committee on the *Tottenham Local Board (Division of District)* Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill was referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations contained in the said Report were dealt with is set forth in the Appendix. That in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 28th day of February last, Clauses 15 and 37 have been struck out of the Bill.

Sir *Joseph Bailey* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *Hastings* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That in the case of the *Lancaster Corporation* Bill Reports of the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Local Government Board relative to the Bill were referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations in those Reports have been dealt with by the Committee is set forth in Appendices (B) and (C) respectively.

Mr. *Hastings* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Copy of Correspondence between the Admiralty and the Treasury relative to the payment of the Seamen Pensioners' Reserve.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir *John Mowbray* accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in respect of the Bail (*Scotland*) Bill: Mr. *Haldane*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Macdonald Cameron*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; Orders, which was read, as followeth:

That

Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill. That, in the case of the Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Bill be permitted to proceed, provided that notices of the objects of the Bill be forthwith published once in the *London, Edinburgh, and Dublin Gazettes*; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks.) Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Number and Duties of the Clerks of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber in *Scotland*, and for other purposes: And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Technical Instruction. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the promotion of Technical Instruction: And that Sir William Hart Dyke, Sir Michael Hicks Beach and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Court of Session Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill. The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to regulate the Number and Duties of the Clerks of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber in *Scotland*, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next; and to be printed.

Technical Instruction Bill. Sir William Hart Dyke presented a Bill for the promotion of Technical Instruction: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 14th day of June next; and to be printed.

Supply. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further Sum, not exceeding £.4,205,300, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the following Charge for Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, viz.:

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

Great Britain:—	£.
Admiralty, Extension of Buildings - - -	—
Disturnpiked and Main Roads (<i>England and Wales</i>) - - -	—
Disturnpiked Roads (<i>Scotland</i>) - - -	—

CLASS II.

England:—	£.
Foreign Office - - - - -	15,000
Colonial Office - - - - -	7,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	7,000
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments - - - - -	15,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade - - - - -	—
Charity Commission (including Endowed Schools Department) - - - - -	6,000
Civil Service Commission - - - - -	9,000
Exchequer and Audit Department - - - - -	10,000
Friendly Societies, Registry - - - - -	1,500
Land Commission for <i>England</i> - - - - -	4,000
Local Government Board - - - - -	100,000
Lunacy Commission - - - - -	3,000
Mint (including Coinage) - - - - -	5,000
National Debt Office - - - - -	2,500
Patent Office - - - - -	9,000
Paymaster General's Office - - - - -	4,000
Public Works Loan Commission - - - - -	1,500
Record Office - - - - -	4,000
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	5,000
Stationery Office and Printing - - - - -	80,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of - - - - -	4,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of - - - - -	6,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid - - - - -	20,000
Secret Service - - - - -	6,000

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Scotland:—

Secretary for <i>Scotland</i>	-	-	-	-	1,000
Exchequer and other Offices	-	-	-	-	1,000
Fishery Board	-	-	-	-	1,000
Lunacy Commission	-	-	-	-	500
Registrar General's Office	-	-	-	-	500
Board of Supervision	-	-	-	-	—

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household - - - - -	2,000
Chief Secretary's Office - - - - -	5,500
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office - - - - -	300
Local Government Board - - - - -	5,000
Public Works Office - - - - -	6,000
Record Office - - - - -	800
Registrar General's Office - - - - -	2,500
Valuation and Boundary Survey - - - - -	5,500

CLASS III.

England:—

Law Charges - - - - -	12,000
Criminal Prosecutions - - - - -	40,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - - - -	65,000
Wreck Commission - - - - -	2,000
County Courts - - - - -	20,000
Land Registry - - - - -	—
Revising Barristers, <i>England</i> - - - - -	—
Police Courts (<i>London and Sheerness</i>) - - - - -	3,000
Metropolitan Police - - - - -	125,000
Special Police - - - - -	9,000
County and Borough Police, <i>Great Britain</i> - - - - -	2,000
Prisons, <i>England</i> and the Colonies - - - - -	80,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, <i>Great Britain</i> - - - - -	80,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - - - -	5,000

Scotland:—

Lord Advocate and Criminal Proceedings - - - - -	10,000
Courts of Law and Justice - - - - -	10,000
Register House Departments - - - - -	6,000
Crofters' Commission - - - - -	1,000
Police, Counties and Burghs (<i>Scotland</i>) - - - - -	1,000
Prisons, <i>Scotland</i> - - - - -	20,000

Ireland:—

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions - - - - -	15,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - - - -	16,000
Court of Bankruptcy - - - - -	1,500
Admiralty Court Registry - - - - -	200
Registry of Deeds - - - - -	3,000
Registry of Judgments - - - - -	400
Land Commission - - - - -	15,000
County Court Officers, &c. - - - - -	18,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police (including Police Courts) - - - - -	20,000
Constabulary - - - - -	280,000
Prisons, <i>Ireland</i> - - - - -	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools - - - - -	30,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - - - -	1,000

CLASS IV.

England:—

Public Education - - - - -	800,000
Science and Art Department - - - - -	80,000
British Museum - - - - -	25,000
National Gallery - - - - -	1,500
National Portrait Gallery - - - - -	400
Learned Societies, &c. - - - - -	4,500
London University - - - - -	3,000
Universities and Colleges, Grants in Aid - - - - -	3,000
Deep Sea Exploring Expedition (Report) - - - - -	500.

Scotland:—

Public Education - - - - -	140,000
Universities, &c. - - - - -	2,000
National Gallery - - - - -	—

Ireland:—

Public Education - - - - -	200,000
Teachers' Pension Office - - - - -	200
Endowed Schools Commissioners - - - - -	100
National Gallery - - - - -	500
Queen's Colleges - - - - -	2,500
Royal Irish Academy - - - - -	900

CLASS V.

Diplomatic Services - - - - -	70,000
Consular Services - - - - -	50,000
Slave Trade Services - - - - -	2,000
Suez Canal (<i>British</i> Directors) - - - - -	—
Colonies, Grants in Aid - - - - -	10,000
South Africa and Saint Helena - - - - -	11,000
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies - - - - -	14,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid - - - - -	29,000

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CLASS VI.		£.
Superannuation and Retired Allowances	-	90,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c.	-	7,000
Pauper Lunatics, <i>England</i>	-	5,000
Pauper Lunatics, <i>Scotland</i>	-	25,000
Pauper Lunatics, <i>Ireland</i>	-	40,000
Hospitals and Infirmarys, <i>Ireland</i>	-	6,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	-	50,000
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, <i>Great Britain</i>	-	800
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, <i>Ireland</i>	-	200
CLASS VII.		
Temporary Commissions	-	8,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	-	-
Public Works and Industries, <i>Ireland</i>	-	6,000
Repayment of <i>Kilrush</i> and <i>Kilkee</i> Railway Deposit	-	-
Total for Civil Services	-	£. 2,955,300
Revenue Departments.		
Customs	-	100,000
Inland Revenue	-	100,000
Post Office	-	600,000
Post Office Packet Service	-	150,000
Post Office Telegraphs	-	300,000
Total for Revenue Departments	-	£. 1,250,000
Grand Total	-	£. 4,205,300

After Debate thereon;

Mr. *William Henry Smith* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

Chairman withholds his Assent (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

But the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Item of £. 1,000, for the Secretary for *Scotland*, be reduced by the sum of £. 100;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Hunter*, } 37.
Yeas, { Mr. *Angus Sutherland*: }

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 88.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*: }

Original Question again proposed.

After Debate thereon;

Mr. *MacInnes* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *MacInnes*, } 103.
Yeas, { Mr. *Haldane*: }

Tellers for the { Dr. *Tanner*, } 13.
Noes, { Mr. *Conybeare*: }

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And a Motion being made, and the Question

being put, That the Debate be now adjourned:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Tomorrow, at Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the National Debt Second Reading of the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill; (Supplemental) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Secrets Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill; Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supreme Court the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill. upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill.

be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Excise Duties Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill; (Local Purposes) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill; Officers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill; Criminal Evidence Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Acts Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill; Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (*England* and *Wales*) Bill; Local Government (*England* and *Wales*) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence [Remuneration, &c.]; National Defence [Remuneration, &c.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.]; Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) (Land Commission) [Remuneration]; Land Law (*Ireland*) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]

Resolved, muneration.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

Imperial Defence [Expenses] [15th May.] The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Imperial Defence [Expenses.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Defence Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Theatres (Metropolis) Bill. The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of June next.

Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Small Holdings Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant May, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 5th day of June next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Papers relative to Stipulations in Articles of Agreement entered into with Seamen on board British Merchant Ships, in regard to the Rate of Exchange at which they are to be paid off in India and elsewhere.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Paper;

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Wednesday the 30th day of this instant May, on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 27th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Friday the 15th day of June next, on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday, the 20th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 18th May, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition:

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,— Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.;

Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.
Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Provisional
Order Bills
(No Standing
Orders
applicable.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—
Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(No Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
applicable.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—
Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Cork and
Bandon Rail-
way.

[New Title.]

The *Cork and Bandon* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:

An Act to authorise the *Cork and Bandon* Railway Company to construct a Deviation Railway in substitution for a portion of their existing Railway; to raise further Capital by Debenture Stock; to consolidate their Preference Stocks, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Llangamarch
and Neath and
Brecon Junction
Railway Bill.

The *Llangamarch and Neath and Brecon* Junction Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bute Docks,
Cardiff, Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bute Docks, Cardiff*, Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Latimer Road
and Acton
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Latimer Road and Acton* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 8.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Aberystwyth* and *Leeds*, the *Hartlepool* Joint Hospital District, the Improvement Act District of *Lytham*, and the Local Government Districts of *Normanby*, *Openshaw*, and *Oswaldtwistle*: And that Mr. *Long* and Mr. *Ritchie* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Order
(Poor Law)
(No. 7.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board under the Provisions of "The Poor Law Amendment Act, 1867," as amended by "The Poor Law Amendment Act, 1868," and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parish of *Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington*: And that Mr. *Long* and Mr. *Ritchie* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 8) Bill.
Bill 271.

Mr. *Long* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Aberystwyth* and *Leeds*, the *Hartlepool* Joint Hospital District, the Improvement Act District of *Lytham*, and the Local Government Districts of *Normanby*, *Openshaw*, and *Oswaldtwistle*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. *Long* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board under the Provisions of the "The Poor Law Amendment Act, 1867," as amended by "The Poor Law Amendment Act, 1868," and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parish of *Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Order
(Poor Law)
(No. 7) Bill.
Bill 272.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Twelfth
Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant May, be printed.

Prisons
(Scotland.)
No. 182.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Estimate of the Amount required in the year ended 31st March 1889, for Advances in Aid of the Crofters Colonisation.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Civil Services
(Additional
Estimate)
1888-9
[Crofters
Colonisation
(Advances in
Aid.)]
No. 183.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented,—Further Return, being for the year 1886-7, to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of September 1886, for a Return showing the Number, Description, Name of Designer, Place of Manufacture, and Actual or Approximate Cost of the various Rifled Iron and Steel Guns supplied by the War Department to the Naval and Land Service during each of the years 1859-60 to 1885-86, inclusive; form of Return to show whether each Gun is L and N, or only L or N.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Army and
Navy (Guns.)
No. 184.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of February last, for a Return relative to Deaths (Metropolitan District).

Deaths
(Metropolitan
District.)
No. 185.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of March last, for a Return relative to Experiments on Living Animals.

Experiments
on Living
Animals.
No. 186.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to Inferior Courts of Record (Officers, &c.)

Inferior Courts
of Record
(Officers, &c.)
No. 187.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of April last, for a Return relative to Metropolitan Police Constables (Charges).

Metropolitan
Police
Constables
(Charges.)
No. 188.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to Quarter Sessions (Sentences).

Quarter
Sessions
(Sentences.)
No. 189.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 31st day of this instant May:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Adjournment.

Dr. *Tanner* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 31st day of this instant May,—

Resolved,

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of this instant May, That the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen 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;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday the 31st day of this instant May.

Thursday, 31st May, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [Lords] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill.

Wirral Railway Bill.

North British Railway Bill.

North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Bill.

South Staffordshire Water Bill.

Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (Highways) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Order (Port) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

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MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, viz.:

Listowel and Ballybunion Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Petition of the Manchester Ship Canal Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter certain Works authorised by "The Manchester Ship Canal Act, 1885," and to alter the Boundaries between the Townships of *Stretford* and *Salford* and the Borough of *Salford*, and the District of the Local Board of *Stretford*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Barnstaple Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Folkestone Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Keswick Gas Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Barry Dock and Railways (Railway Extension) Bill*, as amended in the Committee. *Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Belfast Street Tramways Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bristol Port Railway and Pier Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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I have the honor to inform you that Mr. *Thos. Condon*, M.P., has been tried and convicted of an offence under the 2nd section of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," and sentenced on this date to one calendar month's imprisonment without hard labour in the County

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the

County Gaol at *Cork*, by a Court of Summary Jurisdiction constituted under the said Act, of which I was Chairman.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. B. Irwin,

Residt. Magistrate.

The Right Honble. The Speaker,
House of Commons, *London*.

Admiralty
Buildings
Extension.
No. 191.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copy of Letter from the Royal Institute of *British* Architects protesting against the adoption of the Scheme.

Mr. *Plunket* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Persons
proceeded
against, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return containing (1) Names of all Persons proceeded against under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," down to Whitsuntide 1888; (2) the specific Offence charged against each Person; (3) the Result of the Trial; (4) Cases in which there was an Appeal; (5) the Result of the Appeal.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exclude unauthorised Persons from certain Lands to be used for the purposes of the Royal Gunpowder Factory at *Waltham Abbey*, in the Parish of *Waltham Holy Cross*, in the County of *Essex*; to stop up a certain Footpath thereon, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Brodrick* and Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* do prepare, and bring it in.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill.
Bill 273.

Mr. *Brodrick* accordingly presented a Bill to exclude unauthorised Persons from certain Lands to be used for the purposes of the Royal Gunpowder Factory at *Waltham Abbey*, in the Parish of *Waltham Holy Cross*, in the County of *Essex*; to stop up a certain Footpath thereon, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Supply
[17th May.]

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Civil Services
and Revenue
Departments
(on Account.)

That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 4,205,300, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the following Charge for Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, viz.:

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

Great Britain:—

Admiralty, Extension of Buildings	—
Disturnpiked and Main Roads (<i>England</i> and <i>Wales</i>)	—
Disturnpiked Roads, <i>Scotland</i>	—

CLASS II.

England:—

Foreign Office	15,000
Colonial Office	7,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments	7,000
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments	15,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade	—
Charity Commission (including Endowed Schools Department)	6,000
Civil Service Commission	9,000
Exchequer and Audit Department	10,000
Friendly Societies, Registry	1,500
Land Commission for <i>England</i>	4,000
Local Government Board	100,000
Lunacy Commission	3,000

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Mint (including Coinage)	5,000
National Debt Office	2,500
Patent Office	9,000
Paymaster General's Office	4,000
Public Works Loan Commission	1,500
Record Office	4,000
Registrar General's Office	5,000
Stationery Office and Printing	80,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	4,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	6,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid	20,000
Secret Service	6,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for <i>Scotland</i>	1,000
Exchequer and other Offices	1,000
Fishery Board	1,000
Lunacy Commission	500
Registrar General's Office	500
Board of Supervision	—

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household	2,000
Chief Secretary's Office	5,500
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office	300
Local Government Board	5,000
Public Works Office	6,000
Record Office	800
Registrar General's Office	2,500
Valuation and Boundary Survey	5,500

CLASS III.

England:—

Law Charges	12,000
Criminal Prosecutions	40,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	65,000
Wreck Commission	2,000
County Courts	20,000
Land Registry	—
Revising Barristers, <i>England</i>	—
Police Courts (<i>London</i> and <i>Sheerness</i>)	3,000
Metropolitan Police	125,000
Special Police	9,000
County and Borough Police, <i>Great Britain</i>	2,000
Prisons, <i>England</i> and the Colonies	80,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, <i>Great Britain</i>	80,000
<i>Broadmoor</i> Criminal Lunatic Asylum	5,000

Scotland:—

Lord Advocate and Criminal Proceedings	10,000
Courts of Law and Justice	10,000
Register House Departments	6,000
Crofters' Commission	1,000
Police, Counties and Burghs (<i>Scotland</i>)	1,000
Prisons, <i>Scotland</i>	20,000

Ireland:—

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions	15,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	16,000
Court of Bankruptcy	1,500
Admiralty Court Registry	200
Registry of Deeds	3,000
Registry of Judgments	400
Land Commission	15,000
County Court Officers, &c.	18,000
<i>Dublin</i> Metropolitan Police (including Police Courts)	20,000
Constabulary	280,000
Prisons, <i>Ireland</i>	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools	30,000
<i>Dundrum</i> Criminal Lunatic Asylum	1,000

CLASS IV.

England:—

Public Education	800,000
Science and Art Department	80,000
<i>British</i> Museum	25,000
National Gallery	1,500
National Portrait Gallery	400
Learned Societies, &c.	4,500
<i>London</i> University	3,000
Universities and Colleges, Grants in Aid	3,000
Deep Sea Exploring Expedition (Report)	500

Scotland:—

Public Education	140,000
Universities, &c.	2,000
National Gallery	—

Ireland:—

Public Education	200,000
Teachers' Pension Office	200
Endowed Schools Commissioners	100
National Gallery	500
Queen's Colleges	2,500
Royal <i>Irish</i> Academy	900

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CLASS V.		£.
Diplomatic Services - - - - -	-	70,000
Consular Services - - - - -	-	50,000
Slave Trade Services - - - - -	-	2,000
Suez Canal (British Directors) - - - - -	-	-
Colonies, Grants in Aid - - - - -	-	10,000
South Africa and Saint Helena - - - - -	-	11,000
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies - - - - -	-	14,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid - - - - -	-	29,000

CLASS VI.		
Superannuation and Retired Allowances - - - - -	-	90,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund, Pensions, &c. - - - - -	-	7,000
Pauper Lunatics, England - - - - -	-	5,000
Pauper Lunatics, Scotland - - - - -	-	25,000
Pauper Lunatics, Ireland - - - - -	-	40,000
Hospitals and Infirmaries, Ireland - - - - -	-	6,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency - - - - -	-	50,000
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Great Britain - - - - -	-	800
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Ireland - - - - -	-	200

CLASS VII.		
Temporary Commissions - - - - -	-	8,000
Miscellaneous Expenses - - - - -	-	-
Public Works and Industries, Ireland - - - - -	-	6,000
Repayment of Killybegs and Killybegs Railway Deposit - - - - -	-	-

Total for Civil Services - £. 2,955,300

Revenue Departments.		
Customs - - - - -	-	100,000
Inland Revenue - - - - -	-	100,000
Post Office - - - - -	-	600,000
Post Office Packet Service - - - - -	-	150,000
Post Office Telegraphs - - - - -	-	300,000

Total for Revenue Departments - £. 1,250,000

Grand Total - £. 4,205,300

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 4,205,300," and inserting "£. 4,195,300" instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£. 4,205,300," stand part of the Resolution:— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Supply.

The House according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Extension of Admiralty Buildings;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 144.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Sir Julian Goldsmid,	} 85.
Noes,	Mr. Dillwyn:	

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 46,073, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 45,573, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on

the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Labouchere,	} 55.
Yeas,	Mr. Arthur O'Connor:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 103.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 44,573, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Anderson,	} 62.
Yeas,	Mr. Alfred Pease:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 111.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 45,773, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Arthur O'Connor,	} 43.
Yeas,	Mr. Bradlaugh:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 126.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

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Original Question again proposed;

And it being after Midnight, the Chairman rose to interrupt the Business.

Whereupon Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

Question, "That the Question be now put" Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

—put, and agreed to. Original Question accordingly put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of May last, That the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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Railway and
Canal Traffic
[Salaries, &c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the salary and pension of any additional Judge that may be appointed under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the better regulation of Railway and Canal Traffic, and for other purposes, and the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Salaries of the Commissioners, officers, clerks, and messengers appointed under the said Act, and of all expenses of the Railway and Canal Commission, and also of remuneration to any person appointed by the Board of Trade for communicating with Railway Companies with respect to charges complained of in pursuance of the said Act.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, that the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Commission) [Remuneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Reformatory
Schools Act
(1866) Amend-
ment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Youthful offenders may be sent to certified reformatory schools without the imposition of a term of imprisonment).

An Amendment made.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pauper Lunatics'
Asylums
(Ireland)
(Officers' Superannuation)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of the Peace Bill; Clerks of the
Peace Bill.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill. Electric Light-
ing Act (1882)
Amendment
Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE N° 1 (Consent of local authority generally required to Provisional Order for supply of electricity).

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "When a local authority duly applies for a licence for an area within its jurisdiction such licence shall be granted by the Board of Trade, unless the Board of Trade are of opinion that special reasons exist why such licence should not be granted; and in such case they shall make a special Report stating the grounds of their refusal. The grant of a licence to any Company or person shall not in any way hinder or restrict the granting of a licence to the local authority or to any other Company or person, with the consent of the local authority, within the same area."

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

And, objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill; Small Debts
(Scotland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill; Winchester
Burgesses' Dis-
qualification
Removal Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill; Nonconformist
Marriages
(Attendance of
Registrars)
Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes Relief Bill; Assizes Relief
Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill; Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill; Railway
Companies
(Carriage of
Fish) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill; Hares Pre-
servation Bill.
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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

School Boards (Scotland) Electors Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Boards (Scotland) Electors Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

Factors Acts Consolidation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 27th day of this instant June.

Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of this instant June.

Foreshore and Fishery Rights Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreshore and Fishery Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant June.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 1st June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the London and Saint Katharine, and East and West India Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That in the case of the Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill, the Standing Orders 211 and 236 be dispensed with.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

The Local Government Provisional Order (Port) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Highways) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Calverley, North Bierley, Shipley and Windhill and Thornton Joint Hospital Districts: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the City of Bath, the District of Bilston, the Local Government District of Saint Thomas-the-Apostle, and the Borough of Stoke-upon-Trent: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs,

Private Bills [Lords] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill.

Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill [Lords.]

Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill.

Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill.

Local Government Provisional Order (Port) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Highways) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11.)

Boroughs of *Bolton*, *Heywood*, and *Kingston-upon-Hull*, and the Local Government District of *Leigh*: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 9) Bill.
Bill 274.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the *Calverley*, *North Bierley*, *Shipley-and-Windhill* and *Thornton* Joint Hospital Districts: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 10) Bill.
Bill 275.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the City of *Bath*, the District of *Bilston*, the Local Government District of *Saint Thomas-the-Apostle*, and the Borough of *Stoke-upon-Trent*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 11) Bill.
Bill 276.

Mr. Long presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of *Bolton*, *Heywood*, and *Kingston-upon-Hull*, and the Local Government District of *Leigh*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public
Petitions
(Twelfth
Report.)

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 10th, 11th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th days of May last, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thir-
teenth Report.

Prisons
(England and
Wales.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (*England and Wales*), which was presented upon the 2nd day of March last, be printed.

Prisons
(England and
Wales.)
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Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (*England and Wales*) which was presented upon the 9th day of March last, be printed.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 347 to 361.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

Copies of Reports on subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 94 and 95.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, the relationship subsisting between Trustee Savings Banks and the State is unsatisfactory, and ought to be revised; that Trustees and Managers should be restrained from using the words 'Government Security,' 'Government Savings Bank,' or other words implying more

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"than the Law rightfully authorises, in connection with such Banks, the use of which is calculated to deceive Depositors, create a false impression of security, and damage the cause of thrift; and that the Trustees and Managers of such Banks should, as formerly, be made responsible for the safe custody of the deposits committed to their care in connection with "Trustee Banks," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 27,968, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain Expenses connected with Emigration:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,968, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain Expenses connected with Emigration;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Edmund Robertson, } 56.
Yeas, { Mr. Anderson: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 103.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 27,718, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain Expenses connected with Emigration;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 59.
Yeas, { Mr. Conybeare: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 114.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 37,356, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council and Subordinate Departments:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,356, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council and Subordinate Departments;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 34.
Yeas, { Mr. Handel Cosham: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 130.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

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Saturday,

Saturday, 2nd June, 1888 :

Original Question again proposed ;
And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman rose to interrupt the Business ;
Whereupon Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put ;"

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, "That the Question be now put ;"
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 121.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond : }
Tellers for the { Mr. Conybeare, } 40.
Noes, { Mr. Firth : }

Original Question put accordingly.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 128.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond : }
Tellers for the { Mr. Halley Stewart, } 32.
Noes, { Mr. Conybeare : }

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [31st May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply ;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

National Debt (Supplemental) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of May last, That the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill be now read a second time ;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.] ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration] ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Imperial Defence [Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on the Imperial Defence [Expenses] ;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners' Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dwelling Second Reading of the Dwelling Houses (Sanitary Inspection) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Life Leases Second Reading of the Life Leases Conversion Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Coal and Wine Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the School Board Second Reading of the School Board Elections (Scotland) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Vacant Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fishery Acts Second Reading of the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Friendly Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Colliery Second Reading of the Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the School Board Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stipendiary Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Charities Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Glebe Lands Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill ;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Places of
Worship
Sites Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Winchester
Burgesses'
Disqualifica-
tion Removal
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Winchester Burgesses Disqualification Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Factors Acts
Consolidation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mining
Accidents
Insurance
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

Army (Courts
Martial.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return for 1887, for each Regiment of Cavalry, Battery of Artillery, Company of Engineers, and Battalion of Infantry respectively, of the Number and Proportion to Average Strength of, first, General; second, District or Garrison and Regimental Courts Martial, distinguishing those in which the Offences are only in relation to Enlistment; third, Minor Punishments; fourth, Desertions; and fifth, Stations (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 155, of Session 1887).

Pauper Lunatics'
Asylums
(Ireland)
(Officers'
Superannua-
tion) Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Monday the 4th day of this instant June, on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 5th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen [Re-
muneration.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such Officers, Surveyors, and other Persons, as may be appointed to carry into effect the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Liability of Employers for Injuries to their Workmen;

Mr. *Ritchie*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts
Consolidation
and Amend-
ment [Salary.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a Salary to any Registrar of a County Court, VOL. 143.

who may be required to give his whole time to the public service, under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the County Court Acts;

Mr. *Ritchie*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 4th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Order (Poor Law) (No. 7) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

The *Barry Dock and Railways* (Railway Extension) Bill was read the third time, and passed. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Belfast Street Tramways* Bill was read the third time, and passed. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the *Bristol Port Railway and Pier* Bill be now read the third time;

The Lord Advocate, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the *Bute Docks, Cardiff*, Bill be now read the third time;

The Lord Advocate, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Kingston-upon-Thames Improvement Bill.

The *Kingston-upon-Thames* Improvement Bill was read the third time, and passed, with verbal Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Capital) Bill [Lords.]

The *Lanarkshire* and *Ayrshire* Railway (Capital) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

The *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London Street Tramways Bill.

The *London Street* Tramways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk to carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill.

The *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Rotherham and Bawtry Railway Bill.

The *Rotherham* and *Bawtry* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Great Western Railway (No. 1.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Great Western Railway* (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill; and the Short Title was changed as followeth: "*Great Western Railway Bill*."

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester, Middleton, and District* Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Rossendale Valley Tramways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Rossendale Valley* Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction* Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill [Application of Forfeited Deposits.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising that the sums of One thousand and thirty-five pounds New Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, and Two hundred and eighty-two pounds cash, deposited as security for the completion of the Railway authorised by "*The Henley-in-Arden* and *Great Western Junction Railway Act, 1873*," and "*The Henley-in-Arden* and *Great Western Junction Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884*," shall be dealt with and applied as if the same had been deposited in accordance with Standing Order No. 57, in respect to the application to Parliament for the *Birmingham* and *Henley-in-Arden* Railway Bill now pending in this House;

The Lord Advocate, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm Two Provisional Orders under "*The Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Act, 1863*," and the Acts amending the same, relating to the *Ballycolliton* Drainage District, in the County of *Tipperary*, and the *Killard* River Drainage District, in the County of *Cork*: And that Mr. *Jackson* and Mr. Solicitor General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm Two Provisional Orders under "*The Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Act, 1863*," and the Acts amending the same, relating to the *Ballycolliton* Drainage District, in the County of *Tipperary*, and the *Killard* River Drainage District, in the County of *Cork*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Jackson* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of April last, for a Return relative to Post Office Savings Banks (Counties).

Mr. *Jackson* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account up to 31st March 1888, showing the Total Sums issued from the Consolidated Fund pursuant to the Act 48 *Vic. c. 11*, in respect of the Annuity of £ 315,000, which was guaranteed by Her Majesty for the purpose of facilitating the raising of a Loan by the Government of *Egypt*, and of the Sums paid in or towards the repayment of any Money so issued.

Account, up to 31st December 1887, showing the Total Sums issued and applied by virtue of the Act 18 & 19 *Vic. c. 99*, for Interest as guaranteed by Her Majesty, and for Management of the Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1855, and also of the Total Repayments in respect of Advances under the said Act.

Returns from the Metropolitan Board of Works, showing—

I. Up to 31st December 1887, Return under 32 & 33 *Vic. c. 102, s. 49*:

1. The Amount of Consolidated Stock;
2. The Application of the Money raised by such Stock;
3. The Sums carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund;
4. The Application of the Consolidated Loans Fund; and
5. An Estimate of the Expenditure of the Board, for all purposes, for the year ending the 31st December 1888.

—And II. Return showing, up to 31st December 1887—

1. All Moneys received by the Board since the passing of Act 38 & 39 *Vic. c. 65, s. 13*, for purposes mentioned in this Act;
2. Particulars in relation to every Parish, District, Union, or Place in respect whereof a Loan has been obtained from the Board since the passing of the Act.

Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report of the Public Works Loan Board, 1887-88.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fourteenth Annual Report of the Railway Commissioners, under the Regulation of Railways Acts, 1873, with Appendices, 1887.

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Contempt of Court (Persons Detained.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return relative to Contempt of Court (Persons Detained).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Possessions (Gold Coast.)

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Visit of Governor Sir *Brandford Griffith*, K.C.M.G., to the Eastern Districts of the Colony of the *Gold Coast* (No. 8).

Colonial Possessions (Heligoland.)

Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887, No. 9 (*Heligoland*).

South Africa (Cape Colony.)

Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of *Pondoland* (in continuation of C. 5022 of March 1887.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Education (England and Wales.)

Sir *William Hart Dyke* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing, 1. The Expenditure from the Grant for Public Education in *England and Wales* in the year 1887, upon Annual Grants to Elementary Schools; and 2. The Actual Number of Elementary Schools on the Annual Grant List on the 31st August 1887; the Accommodation and Number of Scholars in those Schools; and the Results of the Inspection and Examination of Elementary Schools during the year ending 31st August 1887.

Bishoprics Act, 1878 (*Wakefield*.)

Sir *William Hart Dyke* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th May 1888, founding the Bishopric of *Wakefield*.

British Settlements Act, 1887 (*British New Guinea*.)

Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th May 1888, entitled the *British New Guinea* Order of 1888.

Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1873 to 1886.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 23rd May 1888, revoking the Order in Council of 8th May 1888 prohibiting the landing in *England, Wales, or Scotland* of Animals brought from the Port of *Flushing*, in the Kingdom of the *Netherlands*.

Pilotage.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th May 1888, approving Bye-Laws, Regulations, and Rates made by the Pilotage Authority of the Harbour of *Burghhead* for the Captain-Pilot and Pilots plying at that Harbour.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (*Oxford*.) No. 234.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of *Oxford and Cambridge* Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of *Saint John Baptists College, Oxford*, repealing Section 1 of Statute XVI. of the College Statutes, and substituting a Section in lieu thereof, sealed by the College on 12th January 1888, and consented to by the University on 14th February 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the last be printed.

Fishery Board (Scotland) (Receipts and Expenditure.)

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Fishery Board (*Scotland*) (Receipts and Expenditure).

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Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for a Return relative to Indoor Paupers (*Scotland*).

Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme for the Management of the Endowment in the Parish of *Morebattle* and County of *Roxburgh*, known as the *More* Mortification, approved by the *Scotch* Education Department.

No. 195.

Copy of Scheme for the Management of the Endowments in the Burgh of *Culross* and County of *Perth*, known as the *Geddes* Trust, *Bills* and *Law's* Mortifications in so far as applicable to

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Educational purposes, and the *Valleyfield* Endowment in so far as applicable to Educational purposes, approved by the *Scotch* Education Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Fishery Board (*Scotland*) (Receipts and Expenditure) and the Educational Endowments (*Scotland*) Act, 1882, be printed.

Sir *Michael Hicks-Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Annual Report of the Inspector of Sea Fisheries in *England and Wales*, for the year 1887.

Sir *Michael Hicks-Beach* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on an Application made during the year 1887 by the *Southwold* Railway Company for a Certificate of the Board of Trade authorising the Company to raise additional Capital, and on the Proceedings of the Board of Trade with respect thereto.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Foreshores sold or leased since the 10th day of October 1851, in the following Form:—

1. Property Sold.

Description of Property.	Name of Purchaser.	Date of Conveyance.	Purchase Money.

2. Property Leased.

Description of Property.	Name of Lessee.	Date of Lease.	Term.	Rent Reserved.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the *Ayr* District of Burghs, in the room of *Richard Frederick Fotheringham Campbell*, Esquire, deceased.

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *Kensington Square* Improvements Bill, with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the *Horse Guards Avenue* Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by altering the recitals relating to the Agreement to be entered into, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *Greenwich and Millwall* Subway Bill, without Amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed, and that they confirmed.]

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they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order [Denny and Dunipace Water] Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order [Denny and Dunipace Water] Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Water Provisional Orders Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Water Provisional Orders Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; That, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 16th ultimo, they had made provision in the Bill to authorise the release of deposits in the following cases, viz.:—

First. "The release of Two hundred and fifty pounds, being the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by 'The Barrow-in-Furness Tramways Order, 1884,' and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;"

Secondly. "The release of Three hundred and thirty-nine pounds, the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways Nos. 21, 22, and part of 23, authorised by 'The Birmingham and Western District Tramways Order, 1883,' and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;"

Thirdly. "The release of Seven hundred and forty pounds seventeen shillings and five pence New Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the balance of the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by 'The Newbury and Lamborne Tramways Order, 1874,' and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;"

Fourthly. "The release of the sum of One thousand four hundred and seventy-three pounds five shillings and eleven pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, being the sum deposited as security for the completion of the Tramways authorised by 'The Pontypridd and Rhondda Valley Tramways Order, 1882,' and now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon."

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to carry into effect an International Convention respecting the Liquor Traffic in the North Sea: And that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach and Baron Henry De Worms do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach accordingly presented a Bill to carry into effect an International Convention respecting the Liquor Traffic in the North Sea: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, showing Convictions during any Twelve consecutive Months in the Years 1886, 1887, in Boroughs in England under 20,000 Inhabitants having a separate Borough Police Force, under the Food and Drugs Act, the Weights and Measures Act, and the Licensing Acts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the salary and pension of any additional Judge that may be appointed under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the better regulation of Railway and Canal Traffic and for other purposes, and the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the salaries of the Commissioners, Officers, Clerks, and Messengers appointed under the said Act, and of all expenses of the Railway and Canal Commission, and also of remuneration to any person appointed by the Board of Trade for communicating with Railway Companies with respect to charges complained of in pursuance of the said Act;

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums, not exceeding £.2,600,000, as may be required for the defence of certain Ports and Coaling Stations, and making further provisions for Imperial Defence.

Mr. Waddy rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" Question, "That the Question be now put," put, and agreed to.

Question accordingly put.

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 206.
Yeas, { Colonel Waltrond :
Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 85.
Noes, { Mr. Cremer :

Motion made, and Question put, That interest at the rate of Three *per Centum per annum* on such or so much of the said sum as may be borrowed, shall be paid out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for Army Services;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 216.
Yeas, { Colonel Waltrond :
Tellers for the { Mr. Marjoribanks, } 136.
Noes, { Mr. Flower :

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, after 1894, all dividends received by the Treasury in respect of *Suez Canal Shares*, after deduction of the sum required for paying off the Bonds issued for the purchase of such Shares, be applied in paying the principal of the amount borrowed.

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Tuesday, 5th June, 1888 :

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

National
Defence [Re-
muneration,
&c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on National Defence [Remuneration, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of remuneration to Railway Companies for receiving and forwarding traffic under the authority of a Secretary of State or the Admiralty, and of compensation to any person suffering loss for anything done under such authority, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision respecting National Defence.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

National
Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary
Under Secre-
tary to the
Lord Lieu-
tenant of
Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Land Law Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Excise Duties Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Second Reading of Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Official Secrets Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of May last, That the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Acts Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (<i>Ireland</i>) (Land Commission) [Remuneration]; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Imperial Defence [Expenses.]	The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Report be received upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Advertisement Rating Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen [Remuneration.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen [Remuneration]; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
County Courts Consolidation and Amendment [Salary.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on County Courts Consolidation and Amendment [Salary]; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Housing of the Working Classes Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Distress for Rent (<i>Dublin</i>) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners' Elections Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Charities Restitution Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
School Board for London Election Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for <i>London</i> Election Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Borough Funds (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant June.	The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June.
Municipal Rates Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	

The

Factors Acts
Consolidation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Torquay
Harbour and
District Act
(1886) Amend-
ment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Thirty-eighth Section of "The Torquay Harbour and District Act, 1886." And that Mr. Henry H. Fowler, Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Mr. Charles Acland, Mr. Stuart, and Mr. Schwann do prepare, and bring it in.

Torquay
Harbour and
District
Act (1886)
Amendment
Bill.

Mr. Henry H. Fowler accordingly presented a Bill to repeal the Thirty-eighth Section of "The Torquay Harbour and District Act, 1886": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Bill 279.

East India
(Contagious
Diseases.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Circular Memorandum by the Quartermaster General in India, dated 17th June 1886.

Standing
Committees
(Chairmen's
Panel.)

Ordered, That leave be given to the Chairmen's Panel to make a Report.

Mr. Campbell-Bannerman reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Sir Matthew White Ridley to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, which may, by order of the House, be committed to such Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Trade, &c.

Standing
Committee on
Trade, &c.
(Railway and
Canal Com-
panies Charges
Bill; Railway
and Canal
Traffic Bill.)

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures have leave to sit and proceed with the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill, and the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill, on Monday 11th June, at Twelve of the clock.

East India
(Contagious
Diseases.)
No. 197.

Sir John Gorst presented, — Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to *East India* (Contagious Diseases).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Merchant
Shipping.
No. 198.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Tables showing the progress of *British Merchant Shipping*.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mining Leases
(Cornwall and
Devon) Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Wednesday next, on the Mining Leases (Cornwall and Devon) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Saving Life at
Sea Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday next, the Saving of Life at Sea Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Tuesday, 5th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE *London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed; with a new Title, as followeth:

An Act to authorise a working Union of the Undertakings of the *London and Saint Katharine Docks Company* and the *East and West India Dock Company*.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Lancaster Corporation Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill* be read a second time To-morrow.

The *North British Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *South Staffordshire Water Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the *Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill* be read a second time To-morrow.

The *Wirral Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill* [Application of Forfeited Deposits].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient that the sums of One thousand and thirty-five pounds New Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, and Two hundred and eighty-two pounds cash, deposited as security for the completion of the Railway authorised by "The *Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway Act, 1873*," and "The *Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884*," shall be dealt with and applied as if the same had been deposited in accordance with Standing Order No. 57, in respect to the application to Parliament for the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill* now pending in this House.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Herbert Maxwell reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The *Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order [Denny and Dunipace Water] Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Preparation of Lists of Parliamentary Voters in Ireland:

And that Mr. Chance and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland) (1877) Amendment. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877": And that Mr. Chance, Mr. T. M. Healy, and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act (1875) Amendment. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act, 1875": And that Mr. Chance, Sir Walter Foster, and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Voters Lists (Ireland) Bill. Bill 280. Mr. Chance presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Preparation of Lists of Parliamentary Voters in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland) (1877) Amendment Bill. Bill 281. Mr. Chance presented a Bill to amend "The Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act (1875) Amendment Bill. Bill 282. Mr. Chance presented a Bill to amend "The Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act, 1875": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Glasgow Corporation Bill [Lords.] The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Glasgow Corporation Bill, without any Amendment.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill [Lords.] The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the Administration and Government of the Hospital of Saint Mary the Virgin and of the Free Grammar and other Foundation Schools in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and for extending the Objects of those Charities; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill [Lords.] The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to incorporate and authorise Commissioners to supply with Gas the City of Edinburgh, Burgh of Leith, and Districts and Places adjacent; and to transfer to them the Gasworks and Gas Undertaking of the Edinburgh Gaslight Company; and to empower the Commissioners to purchase, and the Edinburgh and Leith Gaslight Company to sell to the Commissioners, the Undertaking of that Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bridgewater Railway Bill [Lords.] The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for conferring further Powers on the Bridgewater Railway Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill [Lords.] The Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill was read the first time. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Edinburgh and Leith Corporation Gas Bill [Lords.] The Edinburgh and Leith Corporation Gas Bill was read the first time. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Bridgewater Railway Bill [Lords.] The Bridgewater Railway Bill was read the first time. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, in the opinion of this House, any mere suspension of measures for the compulsory examination of women, and for licensing and regulating Prostitution in India, is insufficient, and the legislation which enjoins, authorises, or permits such measures ought to be repealed;

The House proceeded to a Division, and Mr. Speaker stated that he thought the Ayes had it. But his decision was challenged, and it appearing to Mr. Speaker that the Division was frivolously claimed, he directed the Noes to stand up in their places, and no Member having stood up, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, any mere suspension of measures for the compulsory examination of women, and for licensing and regulating Prostitution in India, is insufficient, and the legislation which enjoins, authorises, or permits such measures ought to be repealed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Statement made to Mr. Cuffe, Assistant Solicitor to the Treasury, by Mr. Joseph Nolan, M.P., on the 11th day of January 1888, with reference to the case of Regina v. Harkins and Callan:—And, of a Transcript of the Shorthand Writer's Notes of the Evidence given by Mr. Joseph Nolan, M.P., at the trial of the case of Regina v. Harkins and Callan at the Central Criminal Court:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Wednesday, 6th June, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of the Peace Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill;

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Ordered,

East India (Contagious Diseases Acts.)

Division frivolously claimed.

Regina v. Harkins and Callan.

Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.

Clerks of the Peace Bill.

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.

Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.

Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant June.

Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

County Courts (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant June.

Secondary Education (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Secondary Education (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant June.

Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Steam Boilers Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Boilers Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary and Municipal Electors (Registration) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary and Municipal Electors (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June.

Metalliferous Mines Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metalliferous Mines Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant June.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Registration of Firms Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 3) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant June. (No. 3) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vestrymen's Qualification Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intestates' Estates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Returns Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Boundaries (Dublin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of May last, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 29th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hares Preservation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The

Vacant
Grounds
(Nuisances
Prevention)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

School Board
for London
(Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Stipendiary
Magistrates
(Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Public Health
(Prevention of
Infectious
Diseases, &c.)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Coroners'
Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Charities
Restitution
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
[Salaries &c.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on the Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.];
Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[4th June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National
Defence [Re-
muneration,
&c.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence [Remuneration, &c.];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National
Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary
Under Secre-
tary to the
Lord Lieu-
tenant of
Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Com-
mission) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lunacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Com-
mission) [Re-
muneration.]

The Law of Distress Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Law of Dis-
tress Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]
Bill 283.

Mr. Cubitt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House was moved that the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in the case of the Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter certain Works authorised by "The Manchester Ship Canal Act, 1885," and to alter the Boundaries between the Townships of Stretford and Salford, and the Borough of Salford, and the District of the Local Board of Stretford, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Jacob Bright, Sir William Houldsworth, Mr. Tatton Egerton, Mr. Howorth, and Mr. James Maclean do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 6th June, 1888.

PRAYERS.

THE House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Eastern Metropolitan (Lewisham, Greenwich, and District) Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Midland, Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Eastern
Metropolitan
(Lewisham,
Greenwich, and
District)
Tramways Bill.

Midland Great
Western,
Dublin and
Meath, and
Navan and
Kingscourt
Railways Bill
[Lords.]

The Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Enniskillen,
Bundoran, and
Sligo Railway
Bill.

The Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Staffordshire
Potteries
Water Bill
[Lords.]

A Bill to alter certain Works authorised by "The Manchester Ship Canal Act, 1885," and to alter the Boundaries between the Townships of Stretford and Salford and the Borough of Salford and

Manchester
Ship Canal
(No. 2) Bill.

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and the District of the Local Board of *Stretford*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill [Application of Forfeited Deposits.]

Mr. *Esslemont* reported from the Committee on the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill* (Application of Forfeited Deposits) a Resolution; which was read, as followeth;

That it is expedient that the Sums of One thousand and thirty-five pounds New Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, and Two hundred and eighty-two pounds cash, deposited as security for the completion of the Railway authorised by "The *Henley-in-Arden* and Great Western Junction Railway Act, 1873," and "The *Henley-in-Arden* and Great Western Junction Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884," shall be dealt with and applied as if the same had been deposited in accordance with Standing Order No. 57, in respect to the application to Parliament for the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill* now pending in this House.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill*, That they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Water Provisional Orders Bill.

The Water Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the Improvement Act District of *Bingley*: And that Mr. *Long* and Mr. *Ritchie* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill. Bill 284.

Mr. *Long* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the Improvement Act District of *Bingley*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions. Vide Thirtieth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Layton and others v. Florence.

A Petition of Messrs. *Turner and Low*, of No. 17, *King Street, Cheapside*, in the City of *London*, Solicitors for the Defendant, was read; setting forth, that an Action is pending in the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice between *Thomas Edward Layton* and *David Maurice Serjeant* (the Trustees of the Will of the late *Robert Alexander Gray*, deceased) and *Matthew Henry Alexander*, Plaintiffs, and *Henry Louis Florence*, Defendant; that it will be necessary on behalf of the Defendant on the trial of the said Action to prove that a Petition and

Bill, Plans, Book of Reference, &c., intituled, "The *London, Chatham, and Dover Railway* (Metropolitan Extension), 1860," and relating to the subject-matter of the said Action, were left and deposited at the Private Bill Office of the House in 1859; and praying the House that leave may be given to the proper Officer of the House to attend at the trial of the said Action and produce the Petition, Bill, Plans, Book of Reference, &c., &c. so deposited in 1859, and to give such further evidence and produce such other Documents as may be necessary to further the ends of justice.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer to attend accordingly.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Libel Law Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Repeal of Sec. 2 of 44 & 45 Vic. c. 60).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Sir A. Borthwick, } 181.
Yeas, { Dr. Cameron:

Tellers for the { Mr. Kelly, } 99.
Noes, { Mr. Watt:

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Newspaper reports of proceedings of Courts exercising Judicial Authority privileged).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, after the word "court," to insert the words "not being *ex parte*."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to add the words, "or of any legal proceedings the publication of which is prohibited by the court or a judge."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Newspaper reports of proceedings of public meetings and of certain bodies and persons privileged).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, before the word "public," to insert the word "lawful."

Question proposed, That the word "lawful" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to add the words "and open to the public."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "Provided that nothing in these shall authorise the publication of any blasphemous, indecent, or scandalous libel."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, to leave out the word "requested," in order to insert the words "required in writing."

Question proposed, That the word "requested" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, to leave out from the word "defendant" to the word

word "authority" in l. 10, in order to insert the word "refused."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, after the word "same" to insert the words "or "has refused to deliver up to the plaintiff or "prosecutor the notices or other authority upon "which the publication complained of was made, "together with the name and address of the reporter or other person by whom the same were "taken or furnished."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Question proposed, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

Whereupon, Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Where defendant in action for libel has raised plea under Sec. 2 of 6 & 7 Vic. c. 96, only special damage to be recovered in certain cases).

Amendments made.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Victoria University Bill*.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Exemption of Mortmain Act, of *Victoria University*).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Extension of privileges to graduates).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 23, to leave out the words "or any regulation of any public "authority."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill*.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Youthful offenders may be sent

to certified reformatory schools without the imposition of a term of imprisonment).

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 24, to leave out from the word "by" to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "Justice of the "Peace acting in and for the Petty Sessional "Division of the county, or in and for the "borough where the offender was convicted."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill*.

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Com-Oaths Bill*.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Partnership Bill*.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Supply Committee of Supply*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Com-Ways and Mittee of Ways and Means*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill*.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Repeal).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 3 to N° 5, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

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Victoria
University
Bill.

Reformatory
Schools Act
(1866) Amend-
ment Bill.

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.	The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (<i>Ireland</i>) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read for the Churches, &c. (<i>Ireland</i>) Sites Bill. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Poor Law Guardians (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Guardians (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Jurors' Detention Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June.
Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the University of Glasgow (<i>Saint Mungo's College</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant June.
Whipping Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whipping Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.	The Order of the day being read, for the Port and Harbour Authorities (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Charities (Ireland) Administration Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (<i>Ireland</i>) Administration Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Trees (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Companies Acts Consolidation and Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Acts Consolidation and Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June.	The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill was read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.
Factory Acts Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (India) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister (<i>India</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Public Trustee Bill.	The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Public Trustee Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant June.	The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners' Elections Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Weekly Wages Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Wages Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Railway and Canal Traffic [Salaries, &c.]; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Report be received To-morrow.
Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Reproductive Loan Fund (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Reproductive Loan Fund (<i>Ireland</i>) Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant June, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Statement made to Mr. Cuffe, Assistant Solicitor to the

the Treasury, by Mr. *Joseph Nolan*, M.P., on the 11th day of January 1888, with reference to the case of *Regina v. Harkins and Callan*:—
And, of a Transcript of the Shorthand Writer's Notes of the Evidence given by Mr. *Joseph Nolan*, M.P., at the trial of the case of *Regina v. Harkins and Callan* at the Central Criminal Court;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 7th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Great Western
Railway Bill.

A MOTION being made, That the Great Western Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mundella*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of the Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. *Mundella*, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Greenwich and
Millwall
Subway Bill.

The *Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Rossendale
Valley Tram-
ways Bill.

The *Rossendale Valley Tramways Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Scarborough,
Bridlington,
and West
Riding Junction
Railways
Bill [Lords.]

The *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Tottenham
Local Board
(Division of
District) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ballina
and Killala
Railway and
Harbour Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time after the other Private Business and Provisional Order Bills.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider—First. Of authorising the application to the purposes of "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order, 1888*," of the sums of One hundred and six pounds nine shillings and three pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order, 1883*," and of One hundred and seventy pounds and fourteen shillings now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order, 1884*;" Secondly. Of authorising the release of the sums of Sixty pounds six shillings and one penny Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1883, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon, and of One hundred and twenty-two pounds six shillings, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1884, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon;

Mr. *Mundella*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill*;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir John Colomb, } 227.
Colonel Nolan:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Biggar, } 51.
Mr. Kelly.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

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Public Petitions.	Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.	Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.
Vide Thirteenth Report. Greenwich Hospital. No. 204.	Ordered, That the Paper relative to <i>Greenwich Hospital</i> , which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant June, be printed.	Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 6) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.
Railway Companies (Charges for the Conveyance of Fish.) No. 205.	Ordered, That the Return relative to Railway Companies (Charges for Conveyance of Fish), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant June, be printed.	Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.
Woolwich and Enfield Factories. No. 206.	Ordered, That the Return relative to <i>Woolwich and Enfield Factories</i> , which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant June, be printed.	Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.
Police (Scotland.)	The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland for the year ended 15th March 1888.	Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.
Salmon Fisheries (England and Wales).	Sir Michael Hicks-Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Inspectors of Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries for <i>England and Wales</i> , being for the year 1887.	Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders [<i>Bangor and Warrenpoint</i>] Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.
Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]	Mr. Osborne Morgan reported from the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure; That they had gone through the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth:	Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.
Title Amended.	An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Mortmain, and to the disposition of Land for Charitable Uses.	Mr. Courtney reported the <i>Forth Bridge Railway Bill</i> , without Amendment.
No. 207.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Bill 285.	Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.	Mr. Courtney reported the <i>Southampton Street Tramways Bill</i> , with an Amendment.
Bail (Scotland) Bill.	Mr. Osborne Morgan reported from the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure; That they had gone through the <i>Bail (Scotland) Bill</i> , and made Amendments thereunto.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
No. 208.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.	Mr. Courtney reported the <i>Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway Bill</i> , without Amendment.
Bill 286.	Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill [Lords.]	Ordered, That the Parties appearing before the Select Committee on the <i>Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill</i> , have leave to print the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, day by day, from the Committee Clerk's Copy, if they think fit.	Mr. Courtney reported the <i>Porthdinlleyn Railway Bill</i> , without Amendment.
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]	Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]	Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.	Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.
		Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the <i>West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill</i> ; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill was referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and the recommendations

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of the Ten Years preceding 1888 ;
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That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the salary and pension of any additional Judge that may be appointed under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the better regulation of

Railway

Railway and Canal Traffic and for other purposes, and the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Salaries of the Commissioners, Officers, Clerks, and Messengers appointed under the said Act, and of all expenses of the Railway and Canal Commission, and also of remuneration to any person appointed by the Board of Trade for communicating with Railway Companies with respect to charges complained of in pursuance of the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that they have power to insert provisions for the reform of Parish Vestries;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Arnold Morley,

Yeas, { Mr. Marjoribanks: } 183.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } 229.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No 1 (Establishment of County Council).

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

North Sea Fisheries Bill.

The North Sea Fisheries Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

East India Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *East India* Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

Criminal Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey* Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Secrets Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply; [1st June.]

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply; [31st May.]

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of May last, That the National Debt (Supplemental) 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;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; [Imperial Defence [Expenses].]

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen [Remuneration]. [Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen [Remuneration].]

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such officers, surveyors, and other persons, as may be appointed to carry into effect the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Liability of Employers for Injuries to their Workmen.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on County Courts Consolidation and Amendment [Salary]. [County Courts Consolidation and Amendment [Salary].]

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a salary to any Registrar of a County Court, who may be required to give his whole time to the public service, under the provisions of

of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the County Courts Acts.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[4th June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National
Defence [Re-
muneration,
&c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on National Defence [Remuneration, &c].

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of remuneration to Railway Companies for receiving and forwarding traffic under the authority of a Secretary of State or the Admiralty, and of compensation to any person suffering loss for anything done under such authority, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision respecting National Defence:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National
Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Com-
mission) [Re-
muneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Habitual
Drunkards
Act (1879)
Amendment
(No. 2) Bill.

The Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Footpaths and
Roadside
Wastes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Footpaths and Roadside Wastes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mountains,
Rivers, and
Pathways
(Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of April last, That the Mountains, Rivers, and Pathways (Wales) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board Elections (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Lists (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act (1875) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whipping Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant June, That there

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be laid before this House, Copies of a Statement made to Mr. Cuffe, Assistant Solicitor to the Treasury, by Mr. Joseph Nolan, M.P., on the 11th day of January 1888, with reference to the case of *Regina v. Harkins and Callan*:—And of a Transcript of the Shorthand Writer's Notes of the Evidence given by Mr. Joseph Nolan, M.P., at the Trial of the case of *Regina v. Harkins and Callan* at the Central Criminal Court;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday, the 19th day of this instant June.

Libel Law
Amendment
Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, this day, on the Libel Law Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 8th June, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Nelson Local
Board Bill.

MR. F. S. POWELL reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That, in the case of the *Nelson Local Board Bill*, a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill was referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations in that Report have been dealt with by the Committee is set forth in Appendix (B).

Mr. F. S. Powell further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders not
previously in-
quired into
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Cheadle Railway, Mineral, and Land Company Bill.

North Cornwall Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(No Standing
Orders not
previously in-
quired into
applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

London Sea Water Supply Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 63 com-
plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, viz.:

United Telephone Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The *Lancaster Corporation Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Application of Part and Release of Balance of Deposits].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise,—First. The application to the purposes of "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order*, 1888," of the sums of One hundred and six pounds nine shillings and three pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order*, 1883," and of One hundred and seventy pounds and fourteen shillings now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order*, 1884;"

Secondly. The release of the sums of Sixty pounds six shillings and one penny Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1883, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon, and of One hundred and twenty-two pounds six shillings, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1884, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Herbert Maxwell reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill*, Standing Orders 204 and 235 be dispensed with.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders [*Bangor and Warrenpoint*] Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Order (Poor Law) (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill. The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13). *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the Borough of *Wolverhampton*: And that Mr. *Long* and Mr. *Ritchie* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill. Mr. *Long* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the Borough of *Wolverhampton*: And the same was read the first time.

Bill 287. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirteenth Report.

Colonial Possessions (No. 10, Natal.) Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887, No. 10, *Natal*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Food and Drugs Act, &c. (Convictions.) No. 210. Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Food and Drugs Act, &c. (Convictions).

County Courts (Plaints.) No. 211. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to County Courts (Plaints).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.) Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 363 to 366.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army Estimates (Second Report.) No. 212. Lord *Randolph Churchill* reported from the Select Committee on Army Estimates; That they had made further progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Navy Estimates (Second Report.) No. 213. Mr. *Campbell-Bannerman* reported from the Select Committee on Navy Estimates; That they had made further progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee).

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Establishment of County Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the word "County Council" in order to insert the words "Shire Court."

Question, That the word "County," stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the word "Council" in order to insert the word "Assembly."

Question, That the word "Council" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the second word "the" to insert the word "legislative."

Question, That the word "legislative" be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out the word "Chairman" in order to insert the word "President."

Question, That the word "Chairman" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided, that every borough containing at the time of the passing of this Act fifty thousand inhabitants" (being the boroughs named in the Fourth Schedule to this Act) shall, for the purposes of this Act, and subject to its provisions, be a county of itself."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Composition and election of Council and position of Chairman).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, to leave out Sub-section (1).

Question, That the words "The Council of a County, and the members thereof shall be constituted" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out the words "And be in the like position in all respects."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "(b.) A person shall be qualified to be a councillor who, though not qualified in manner provided by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1882," as applied by this Act, is registered as a Parliamentary voter for the county or a division of the county, in respect of the ownership of property of whatsoever tenure."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 1, to leave out the word "who."

Question put, That the word "who" stand part of the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 247.
Yeas, {Colonel *Walrond*;

Tellers for the {Mr. *Asquith*, } 210.
Noes, {Mr. *James Rowlands*;

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out from the word "is" to the word "tenure," in order to insert the words "resident within the county area."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 263.
Yeas, {Colonel *Walrond*;

Tellers for the {Sir *William Plowden*, } 193.
Noes, {Mr. *Herbert Gardner*;

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the proposed Amendment, to add the words "or as a lodger, or in respect of any service holding."

Question put, That those words be added to the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. *Winterbotham*, } 187.
Yeas, {Mr. *Picton*;

Tellers for the {Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 257.
Noes, {Colonel *Walrond*;

Question again proposed, That the words "(b.) A person shall be qualified to be a councillor

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"who, though not qualified in manner provided by 'The Municipal Corporations Act, 1882,' as applied by this Act, is registered as a Parliamentary voter for the county or a division of the county, in respect of the ownership of property of whatsoever tenure," be inserted at the end of the proposed Amendment.

And, it being after ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Chairman rose to interrupt the Business. Whereupon Mr. Ritchie rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

Question, "That the Question be now put," — put, and agreed to.

Question accordingly put, That the words "A person shall be qualified to be a councillor who, though not qualified in manner provided by 'The Municipal Corporations Act, 1882,' as applied by this Act, is registered as a Parliamentary voter for the county or a division of the county in respect of the ownership of property of whatsoever tenure," be inserted at the end of the last Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 249.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. James Stuart, } 171.
Noes, { Mr. James Rowlands: }

And, it being after Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress at Nine of the clock.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir John Mowbray accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures: Mr. Henry Chaplin, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Hanbury; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Eyre, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Tomlinson, and Mr. Attorney General.

Sir John Mowbray further reported; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, in respect of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill, and the Railway and Canal Companies' Charges Bill: Mr. Barnes; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Hingley.

Sir John Mowbray further reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure: Mr. Tomlinson and Mr. Attorney General; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Solicitor General and Mr. Milvain.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the *Halifax Corporation Water Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Leeds White Cloth Hall* to sell the same, and to regulate the application of the Purchase Monies, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The *Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, it is inequitable and anomalous that privileges as regards leave and retirement should be refused to some classes of Officers in the Uncovenanted Civil Service of India which are enjoyed by others in similar circumstances; and that, in view of the heavy fall in the value of the rupee, the payment of pensions of retired European Uncovenanted Officers in England at the official rate of exchange is no longer equitable," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 9th June, 1888:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 166.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. King, } 55.
Noes, { Colonel Hill: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence [Remuneration, &c.];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen [Remuneration], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such officers, surveyors, and other persons, as may be appointed to carry into effect the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Liability of Employers for Injuries to their Workmen.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on County Courts Consolidation and Amendment [Salary], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Selection (Standing Committees) (Special Report.)

Trade, &c.

Railway and Canal Traffic Bill [Lords.]
Railway and Canal Companies' Charges Bill.

Law, &c.

Message from the Lords.

Halifax Corporation Water Bill.

Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill [Lords.]

Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill [Lords.]

Ways and Means.

Uncovenanted Civil Service of India.

Ways and Means.

National Debt (Supplemental) Bill.

National Defence [Remuneration, &c.]

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen [Remuneration.]

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment [Salary.]

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of monies to be provided by Parliament, of a Salary to any Registrar of a County Court who may be required to give his whole time to the public Service, under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the County Court Acts.

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being One of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned till Monday next; and Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 11th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
(Standing
Order 62 com-
plied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills
[Lords] (No
Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders not
previously in-
quired into
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional
Order Bills
(No Standing
Orders
applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill
(Standing
Orders com-
plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 6th day of June, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

Torquay
Harbour and
District Act
(1886) Amend-
ment Bill
(Standing
Orders not
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 5th day of June, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders

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which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, viz.:

Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The *Chatham and Brompton Tramways (Abandonment) Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The *South Eastern Metropolitan (Lewisham, Greenwich, and District) Tramways Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow and Robert Couper's Trust Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Horse Guards Avenue Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Kensington Square Improvements Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway Bill*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Porthdinleyn Railway Bill*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The *Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill* was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Application of Part and Release of Balance of Deposits], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise, First. The application to the purposes of "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order, 1888*," of the sums of One hundred and six pounds nine shillings and three pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum

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Annuities

Annuities now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool* Tramways Order, 1883," and of One hundred and seventy pounds and fourteen shillings now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool* Tramways Order, 1884"; Secondly. The release of the sums of Sixty pounds six shillings and one penny Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1883, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon, and of One hundred and twenty-two pounds six shillings, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1884, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, That they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourteenth Report. Superannuation Act, 1884.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 30th May 1888, declaring that the following Person was appointed to the Office set against his name without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department, *viz.*, in the Office of Works, *Robert Shelley*, Gatekeeper, *St. James' Park*.

Superannuation Act, 1887.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 29th May 1888, granting a Retired Allowance to *James Fitzpatrick*, Steward, *Mountjoy Prison*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Royal Irish Constabulary.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of February last, for a Return, relative to the Royal Irish Constabulary.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

East India (Contagious Diseases Acts.)

Sir *John Gorst* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 7th day of this instant June, for a Return, relative to *East India* (Contagious Diseases Acts).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1881.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Twenty-fourth Annual Report by the Inspector under the Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1881, of his Proceedings during the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 367 to 369.

Copy of Report by Mr. *W. J. Archer*, of a Siam No. 2 Journey in the Vice Consular District of (1888.) *Chiengmai, Siam*.

Sir *James Fergusson* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of April last, for a Return, relative to Commercial Treaties (*Great Britain* and Foreign Countries) (Commercial No. 8, 1888).

Commercial Treaties (*Great Britain* and Foreign Countries) (Commercial, No. 8, 1888.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme under the Educational Endowments (*Scotland*) Act, 1882, for the Management of the Endowments in the County of *Kirkcudbright*, known as the *Murdoch* Endowment, in the Parish of *Balmaclean*, the *Johnston* Bequest, in the Parish of *Dalry*; the *Davies* Bequest, in the Parish of *Kells*; and the *M'Adam* Bequest, in the Parish of *Carsphairn*, approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Educational Endowments (*Scotland*) Act, 1882.

No. 214.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lord *George Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of April last, for Returns, relative to Navies (*England* and other Countries).

Navies (*England* and other Countries.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing what Notifications have been addressed to the Signatory Powers of the General Act of the *Berlin* Conference, as provided by Article 34, since the signing of the Act in February 1885; what are the Territories to which those Notifications relate; and in how many instances possession has been taken, or a Protectorate assumed, without objection being raised by any of the Signatory Powers.

Berlin Conference (*Africa*.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Letter addressed by the President of the Board of Trade to the Directors of the *Seacombe, Hoyle, and Deeside* Railway with reference to the recent fatal Accident on that Line.

Seacombe, Hoyle, and Deeside Railway.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures have leave to print and circulate with the Votes the Minutes of their Proceedings from day to day.

Standing Committee on Trade, &c.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures have leave to print and circulate with the Votes any amended Clauses of Bills committed to them from time to time.

Standing Committee on Trade, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing with respect to each of the years 1880 to 1887, inclusive, and also with respect to the year 1888, to the end of the Easter Sittings:

Official Referees.

- (1.) The Number of Days during any portion of which each of the Official Referees held a Sitting;
- (2.) The Number of Cases tried before each of the Official Referees;
- (3.) The Amount of Fees received in respect of Proceedings before the Official Referees;
- (4.) The Amount of the Salaries paid to the Official Referees and their Clerks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of an Abstract of the Accounts furnished by Building Societies incorporated to the

31st day of December 1887, including *Great Britain and Ireland*, under the Building Societies Acts, in pursuance of the Act 37 & 38 Vic. c. 42, s. 40, in the annexed Form :—

Register Number.	Year when Incorporated.	Name of Society, and Chief Office or Place of Meeting.	Year of the Society's Existence.	Date to which Accounts are made up.	Number of Members (where stated).	Total Receipts during the last Financial Year.	Liabilities.		Assets.			
							To the Holders of Shares.	To Depositors and other Creditors.	Balance of Unappropriated Profit.	Balance Deficit (if any).	Balance due on Mortgage Securities (not including prospective Interest).	Amount Invested in other Securities, and Cash.
						£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.

(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 313, of Session 1887).

Chinese Immigrants.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, giving Clauses in Treaties or other binding Agreements at present in force between *China* and the United Kingdom relating to the Treatment of Immigrants from either State into the Territories of the other.

Police and Sanitary Regulations (Torquay Harbour and District Bill, 1886.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Copy of the Report made by the Home Office to the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations as to the *Torquay Harbour and District Bill*, 1886.

Westminster Abbey Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Westminster Abbey Bill* be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Tithe Rentcharge Bill [Lords.] Bill 288.

The Tithe Rentcharge Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Tithe Rentcharge Recovery and Variation [Lords.] Bill 289.

The Tithe Rentcharge Recovery and Variation Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill [Lords.] Bill 290.

The Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth :

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The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board for *Ireland* relating to the providing of a Market Place for Vegetables and Fish, by the Urban Sanitary Authority of the City of *Dublin*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the *Manchester Ship Canal Company* to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (*Dublin Markets*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The *Manchester Ship Canal Bill* was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Vernon* be added to the Select Committee on Burgh Police and Health (*Scotland*) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution :

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a salary to any Registrar of a County Court, who may be required to give his whole time to the public service, under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the County Court Acts;

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, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No 2 (Composition and election of Council and position of Chairman).

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "All Members of Parliament for any division of a county, or any borough within the county, shall be qualified to be a councillor."

Question, That those words be there inserted —put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, to leave out paragraph (a), in order to insert the words "All the councillors shall be elective councillors, and there shall be no aldermen."

Question, That the words "the councillors elected by the council" stand part of the Clause :—

After Debate thereon ;

Mr. *Kenyon* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put" :

Question put, "That the Question be now put" ;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Kenyon*, } 264.

Yeas, { Mr. *Ambrose* : }

Tellers for the { Mr. *Arnold Morley*, } 192.

Noes, { Mr. *Marjoribanks* : }

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Question

Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction Railways Bill [Lords.]

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (*Dublin Markets*) Bill [Lords.]

Manchester Ship Canal Bill [Lords.]

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (*Dublin Markets*) Bill [Lords.]

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (*Dublin Markets*) Bill [Lords.] Bill 291.

Manchester Ship Canal Bill [Lords.]

Burgh Police and Health (*Scotland*) Bill Committee.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment [Salary.]

Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

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Question put accordingly, That the words "the councillors elected by the council" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 250.
Yeas,	{ Colonel Walrond;	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Arnold Morley.	} 214.
Noes,	{ Mr. Marjoribanks;	

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, after the word "shall" to insert the words "after district councils are constituted in pursuance of this Act be elected by the district councils of the county and shall."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, to leave out the words "be called selected councillors in lieu of aldermen," in order to insert the words "not be called aldermen, and are in this Act referred to as selected councillors."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, to leave out the words "selected councillors," in order to insert the word "reevemen."

Question proposed, That the words "selected councillors" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, before the word "aldermen," to insert the word "county."

Question put, That the word "county" be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Sir Joseph Bailey,	} 172.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Rankin;	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Waddy,	} 109.
Noes,	{ Mr. Halley Stewart;	

Another Amendment proposed at the end of the last Amendment to leave out the word "aldermen," in order to insert the word "wardens."

Question, That the word "aldermen" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, after the word "aldermen," to insert the words "but shall sit for three years only."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Channing,	} 111.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Halley Stewart;	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 148.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond;	

Another Amendment proposed after the word "aldermen," to leave out the words "and the other councillors shall be called elective councillors."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, after the second word "councillors," to insert the words "and the county aldermen shall be selected from the county councillors."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Allison,	} 170.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Cobb;	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 217.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond;	

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "and no person shall be selected as an alderman unless

"he has received a clear majority of two-thirds of the votes of the county councillors."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Conybeare,	} 48.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Waddy;	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 376.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond;	

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "Every alderman shall, at the close of his term of six years of office, before being re-elected as alderman, submit himself to election as a councillor."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "the number of county aldermen shall be one-ninth of the number of county councillors."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, to leave out the word "three," in order to insert the word "six."

Question put, That the word "three" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 384.
Yeas,	{ Colonel Walrond;	
Tellers for the	{ Sir Walter Barttelot,	} 82.
Noes,	{ Viscount Grimston;	

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That instead of the Duties on Customs Wine imposed by "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1888," there shall on Wine imported in bottle be charged and paid, from and after the date of the passing of an Act embodying this Resolution, the Duty following, that is to say:—

	s.	d.
Sparkling Wine imported in bottle, the		
gallon	2	6

This Duty is to be paid in addition to the Duty in respect of alcoholic strength under "The Customs Amendment Act, 1886."

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to make provisions for levying Customs Duties on Wine in bottle.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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National Debt (Supplemental) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Price of Government Annuities to be calculated on basis of Two-and-a-half per Cent. Stock).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Tuesday, 12th June, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, again resolve itself into Committee on the Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 8, agreed to.

A Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Bail (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Imperial Defence [Expenses.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Defence Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on National Defence [Remuneration, &c.];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the North Sea Fisheries Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant June, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Victoria University Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Electric Lighting Act, 1882 (Amendment) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Consent of local authority generally required to Provisional Order for supply of electricity).

Amendment again proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "When a local authority duly applies for a licence for an area within

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"its jurisdiction such licence shall be granted by the Board of Trade unless the Board of Trade are of opinion that special reasons exist why such licence should not be granted; and in such case they shall make a special Report stating the grounds of their refusal. The grant of a licence to any Company or person shall not in any way hinder or restrict the granting of a licence to the local authority or to any other Company or person, with the consent of the local authority, within the same area."

Question again proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 2 to N° 6, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerks of the Peace Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of the Peace Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Oaths Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

School Board for London Election Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant June.

Municipal Rates Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Advertisement Rating Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Returns Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Footpaths and Roadside Wastes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The

Office under
the Crown
(Vacating of
Seats) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of May last, That the Office under the Crown (Vacating of Seats) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 29th day of this instant June.

Handloom
Weavers
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Deacons
(Church of
England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deacons (Church of England) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant June.

National
School
Teachers
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

Herring
Fishery (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant June.

Places of
Worship Sites
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Intermediate
Education
(Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Agricultural
Labourers'
Holidays
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of July next.

Liquor Traffic
Local Veto
(Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Technical
Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Moveable
Abodes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Quarries Regu-
lation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Railway
Companies
(Carriage of
Fish) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Wages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Theatres (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for a Return, relative to Police and Sanitary Regulations (Torquay Harbour and District Bill, 1886).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 12th June, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:—

Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

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ment Pro-
visional Order
(Port) Bill
[Provisional
Order con-
firmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (Port) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Govern-
ment Pro-
visional Orders
(Highways)
Bill [Pro-
visional Orders
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (Highways) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Gas and
Water Provi-
sional Orders
Bill [Pro-
visional Orders
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Gas Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill
[Provisional
Orders con-
firmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Water Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill
[Provisional
Orders con-
firmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Vauxhall Park
Bill.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Vauxhall Park Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting recitals relating to the contribution of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the acceptance by the Vestry of the same, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill, as submitted to and passed by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Birmingham
and Henley-in-
Arden Railway
Bill.

Mr. Parker reported from the Committee on the Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill; That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 11th day of April last, proof was adduced to the Committee of the consent of the Treasury to the sums deposited as securities for the completion of the Railway authorised by "The Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway Act, 1873," and "The Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884," being made applicable as proposed by the present Bill. That in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 6th June instant, the Committee have made provision in the Bill providing that the sums of One thousand and thirty-five pounds New Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities and

Two hundred and eighty-two pounds cash deposited as security for the completion of the Railway authorised by "The Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway Act, 1873," and "The Henley-in-Arden and Great Western Junction Railway (Revival of Powers) Act, 1884," be dealt with and applied as if the same had been deposited in accordance with Standing Order No. 57, in respect to the application to Parliament for the Bill.

Mr. Parker further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported the James Lewis and Son's Liverpool Copper Wharf Company, Limited, Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Barking Parish Division Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained, as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee on the Barking Parish Division Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Forth Bridge Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Nelson Local Board Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Southampton Street Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the repayment of the Sum of Three thousand two hundred and seventy-five pounds Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Annuities, being the sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The Enniskillen, Bundoran and Sligo Railway (Donegal Extension) and Enniskillen and Bundoran Extension Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1879," which in pursuance of Section thirty-six of that Act is now forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon;

Mr. Raikes, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Sir

Commons
(*Therfield
Heath, Hert-
fordshire.*)
No. 216.

Sir *Walter Barttelot* reported from the Select Committee on Commons; That they had considered the Special Reports of the Land Commissioners, certifying the expediency of a Provisional Order for the Regulation of *Therfield Heath and Greens, Hertfordshire*, and are of opinion that the same ought to be confirmed without modification.

Sir *Walter Barttelot* further reported from the Select Committee; That the Committee are of opinion, that there should be inserted in the Confirming Act provisions empowering the Land Commissioners to sanction the Sale or Exchange of portions of *Therfield Heath*, or the whole or any part of the Greens, except such portion of the Heath as lies near to or adjoins the Town of *Royston*, not exceeding in the whole twenty-five acres, for the purpose of obtaining a Recreation Ground adjacent to the Village of *Therfield*, together with such further Provisions in relation thereto as may be necessary.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Four-
teenth Report.

Indoor Paupers
(*Scotland.*)
No. 217.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Indoor Paupers (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant June, be printed.

Navies
(*England
and other
Countries.*)
No. 218.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Navies (*England and other Countries*), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant June, be printed.

Local Taxation
(*Scotland*)
(Correspond-
ence.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Secretary for *Scotland* in regard to the allocation of the Grant in Aid of Local Taxation in *Scotland* for the year 1888-9.

Public
Libraries Act
(1855) Amend-
ment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Public Libraries Act, 1855": And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, Mr. *Sydney Buxton*, Mr. *Arthur Acland*, and Sir *Lewis Pelly* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public
Libraries Act
(1855) Amend-
ment Bill.
Bill 292.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* accordingly presented a Bill to amend "The Public Libraries Act, 1855": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Local Govern-
ment (*England
and Wales*)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Composition and election of council and position of chairman).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 23, to leave out from the word "years" to the end of subsection (b).

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out the words "and one elective councillor" only shall be elected for each electoral division.

Question put, That the words "and one" stand part of the Clause;
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 372.
Yeas,	{ Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	
Tellers for the	{ Sir <i>John Lubbock</i> ,	} 94.
Noes,	{ Viscount <i>Grimston</i> :	

Other Amendments made.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, after paragraph (c.), to insert the words "(d.)" "Every councillor shall be entitled to claim a sum in payment of the expenses, if any, actually and reasonably incurred by him in travelling to and from the place of meeting of the council."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That instead of the Duties on Wine imposed by "The Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1888," there shall on Wine imported in bottle be charged and paid, from and after the date of the passing of an Act embodying this Resolution, the Duty following, that is to say:

Sparkling Wine imported in bottle, the	s.	d.
gallon	-	2 6

This Duty is to be paid in addition to the Duty in respect of alcoholic strength under "The Customs Amendment Act, 1886."

2. That it is expedient to make provisions for levying Customs Duties on Wine in bottle.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions:—And that Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. *Jackson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to grant a Duty of Customs on Wine imported in bottle, and to make provision in relation thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Sir *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 31st day of May last, and the 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th days of this instant June, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Parish Vestries Reform Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of July next.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of July next.

The Order for resuming, this day, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which Workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, *Woolwich*, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861, and the 4th day

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of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870 or later that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1851, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 10th day of July next.

Merchant
Shipping.
Steamships.
No. 219.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Copy of the Report to the Board of Trade respecting the experimental Testing of a Copper Pipe, made by Mr. J. Bowers, Superintending Engineer to the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, for the purpose of obtaining additional information regarding the resistance of thick copper pipes to internal fluid pressure.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Metropolitan
Commons
[Farnborough,
&c.] Provi-
sional Order
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Commons [Farnborough, &c.] Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Metropolis
[Whitechapel
and Lime-
house] Pro-
visional Order
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolis [Whitechapel and Limehouse] Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Harrow and
Stanmore
Railway Bill,
London,
Chatham, and
Dover Railway
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Harrow and Stanmore Railway Bill, without Amendment.

East and West
Yorkshire
Union Rail-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Time for the compulsory Purchase of Lands for and for the completion of the Railways of the East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mersey Rail-
way (No. 1)
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making further Provision respecting the Capital and Undertaking of the Mersey Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mersey Rail-
way (No. 2)
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Mersey Railway Company to abandon certain of their authorised Railways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lanarkshire
and Ayrshire
Railway
(Additional
Powers) Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers on the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lincoln
Corporation
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Corporation of Lincoln to create and issue Consolidated Stock, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

East and West
Yorkshire
Union Rail-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

The East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mersey Rail-
way (No. 1)
Bill [Lords.]

The Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Mersey Railway (No. 2) Bill was read the first time.

Mersey Rail-
way (No. 2)
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill was read the first time.

Lanarkshire
and Ayrshire
Railway
(Additional
Powers) Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Lincoln Corporation Bill was read the first time.

Lincoln
Corporation
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the re-organisations in the Accountant General's and Secretary's Departments of the Admiralty have been injurious to the public interests, by resulting in increased charges for those Departments, and by needlessly adding to extravagant pensions and bonuses; and that in any further re-organisations, officials who are still able and willing to render service for the public money, shall be provided with employment in other Departments, instead of being forced to become useless burdens upon the Country;

Re-organisa-
tions in Public
Offices.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House, whilst of opinion" that when the re-organisation of a Department becomes necessary, full inquiry should be made "into the wants of other Departments, with a view to the continued public employment of redundant officers, is not prepared, pending the inquiry of the Royal Commission upon Civil Service Establishments, to anticipate its report" by laying down any absolute rule as to the provision of employment for persons not required "in the Department to which they have been originally appointed," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Arthur O'Connor rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Mr. Speaker
withholds his
Assent, and
declines to put
the Question.
Question put
(pursuant to
S. O. Closure
of Debate.)

Then the House resumed the Debate.
Mr. James Stuart rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";
And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 13th June, 1888:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Jennings, } 113.

Major Rasch: } 94.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 94.

Colonel Walrond: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That the re-organisations in the Accountant General's and Secretary's Departments of the Admiralty have been injurious to the public interests, by resulting in increased charges

charges for those Departments, and by needlessly adding to extravagant pensions and bonuses; and that in any further re-organisations, officials who are still able and willing to render service for the public money shall be provided with employment in other Departments, instead of being forced to become useless burdens upon the Country.

Corn Averages. *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the present system of ascertaining the official Average Price of Corn in the United Kingdom, and to report what alterations, if any, are expedient.

Victoria University Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Victoria University Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Oaths Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Oaths Bill.

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Accumulations Bill. The Accumulations Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 20th day of this instant June.

Trawling (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Mark Stewart, } 87.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hunter, } 53.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

And it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till this day.

Wednesday, 13th June, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Halifax Corporation Water Bill. THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Halifax Corporation Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Cheadle Railway, Mineral, and Land Company Bill [Lords.] The *Cheadle Railway, Mineral, and Land Company Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

United Telephone Company Bill. *Ordered*, That the United Telephone Company Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill* [Repayment of Deposit].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the repayment of the Sum of Three thousand two hundred and seventy-five pounds Three Pounds per Centum Consolidated Annuities, being the Sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway (Donegal Extension) and Enniskillen and Bundoran Extension Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1879*," which, in pursuance of Section thirty-six of that Act is now forfeited, together with any Interest or Dividends thereon.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the release of the Sum of Seventy-seven thousand and twelve pounds three shillings, the amount of the Bond, dated 29th July 1864, entered into by the *Bristol Port Extension Railway Company* and *Charles Waring* (since deceased) and *Henry Waring*, under the provisions of Section 48 of "The *Bristol Port Extension Railways Act, 1864*";

Mr. Ritchie, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Highways) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Order (Port) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

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Ordered.

Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill [Repayment of Deposit.]

Bristol Port Extension Railways [Cancellation of Bond.]

Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Highways) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Order (Port) Bill.

Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill.

Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Leave of
Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. Salt have leave of absence for a fortnight, on account of ill-health.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Four-
teenth Report.East India
(Contagious
Diseases Acts).

No. 226.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Contagious Diseases Acts), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant June, be printed.

Seamen
Pensioners'
Reserve (Cor-
respondence.)

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of May last, for a Return relative to Seamen Pensioners' Reserve (Correspondence).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Libel Law
Amendment
Bill.

Bill 294.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Libel Law Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Where defendant in action for libel has raised plea under 52 of 6 and 7 Vic. c. 96, only special damage to be recovered in certain cases).

Question again proposed, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Sir Algernon Borthwick, } 89.
Yeas, { Mr. Lawson: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Kelly, } 41.
Noes, { Mr. Isaacson: }

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Power to defendant to give certain evidence in mitigation of damages).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Sir Algernon Borthwick, } 159.
Yeas, { Mr. Lawson: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Kelly, } 38.
Noes, { Mr. Isaacson: }

CLAUSE, N° 7, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 8 (On prosecution for libel knowledge of person proceeded against to be shown).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause to add the words "or to the publication of the newspaper wherein such libel was published."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed at the end of the Clause to add the words "and if it be shown to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant has used all reasonable means to guard against such offence."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 9 to N° 11, agreed to.

A Clause (Extension of the Act to books, &c.)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time—put, and negatived.

Another Clause (No summons to be issued without a certificate from the Public Prosecutor or Attorney General in Ireland)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time—put, and negatived.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill.

Reformatory
Schools Act
Act (1866)
Amendment
Bill.

Bill 295.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Youthful offenders may be sent to certified reformatory schools without the imposition of a term of imprisonment).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 1, l. 24, to leave out from the word "by," to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "Justices of the Peace acting in and for the petty sessional division of the county, or in and for the borough, where the offender was convicted."

Question again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

Question put, and negatived.

Question, That the words "Justices of the Peace acting in and for the petty sessional division of the County, or in and for the borough, where the offender was convicted" be there added—put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Temporary detention).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 29, to leave out from the word "him" to the word "For" in p. 2, l. 2, in order to insert the words "remand such offender."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 5 and N° 6, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 7 (Penalty on persons inducing offenders to escape).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 11, to leave out the word "two," in order to insert the word "six."

Question proposed, That the word "two" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 11, to leave out the word "two," in order to insert the word "six."

Question put, That the word "two" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Dugdale, } 260.
Yeas, { Mr. Wharton: }

Tellers for the { Mr. J. G. Talbot, } 61.
Noes, { Mr. Tomlinson: }

A Clause (Order of detention to be in print)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time—put, and negatived.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Oaths Bill.

Oaths Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Affirmation may be made instead of oath).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word

word "person" to insert the words "excepting those who state they have no religious belief."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That they have power to extend the scope of the Bill so as to include marriages between a woman and her deceased husband's brother.

Mr. Speaker withholds his Assent, and declines to put the Question.

Whereupon Mr. Heneage rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put," but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—And a Debate arising upon the Question, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That they have power to extend the scope of the Bill so as to include marriages between a woman and her deceased husband's brother;

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Partnership Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Partnership Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Commencement of Act).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Education (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Rates (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University Education (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poining (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Livery Franchise (London) Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Worship Facilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Official Trustee Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Act (1854) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Churches, &c. (Ireland) Sites Bill;

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of July next.

Port and
Harbour
Authorities
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Port and Harbour Authorities (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Trees (Ireland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant June.

Industrial
Agricultural
Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Agricultural Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Intermediate
Education
(Wales) (No. 2)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Legal Proceed-
ings (Reports)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Corn Returns
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Returns Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Law of Dis-
tress Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Intermediate
Education
(Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Quarries Regu-
lation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trawling
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Meetings in
Schools) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Employers'
Liability Act
(1880) Amend-
ment (No. 2)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Contumacy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bills of Second Reading of the Bills of Exchange Regis- Exchange tration Bill; Registration Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Colliery Second Reading of the Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Vestrymen's Second Reading of the Vestrymen's Qualifica- Qualification tion Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Boundaries (Dublin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Vacant Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nui- Grounds sances Prevention) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners' Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Whipping Bill. Second Reading of the Whipping Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Guardians of Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor the Poor (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Charities Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Places of Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Worship Sites Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant June.

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Moveable Abodes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Weekly Wages Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Wages Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Debt (Supplemental) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

National Defence [Remuneration, &c.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on National Defence [Remuneration, &c.];
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Rights of Way (Scotland.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Rights of Way in Scotland: And that Mr. Bryce, Mr. Arthur Elliot, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. D. Crawford, Mr. Baird, Mr. Asquith, and Mr. Esslemont do prepare, and bring it in.

Rights of Way (Scotland) Bill. Mr. Bryce accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Rights of Way in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 14th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.) MR Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order complied with.) Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following

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Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

A Motion being made, That the *Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill* be now read the third time;

Mr. Raikes, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the *Horse Guards Avenue Bill* be now read the third time;

Mr. Raikes, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Kensington Square Improvements Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *London Tramways (Various Powers) Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with verbal Amendments; and a New Title, as followeth:

An Act to authorise the *London Tramways Company (Limited)* to extend their existing Tramway System to *Tooting*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the *Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway Bill* be read the third time To-morrow.

Ordered, That the *Porthdinlleyn Railway Bill* be read the third time To-morrow.

The *West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *London Sea Water Supply Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *North Cornwall Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *United Telephone Company Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Committee on the *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill* [Repayment of Deposit], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

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That

Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill.

Horse Guards Avenue Bill.

Kensington Square Improvements Bill.

London Tramways (Various Powers) Bill.

[New Title.]

Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Bill.

Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway Bill [Lords.]

Porthdinlleyn Railway Bill [Lords.]

West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill.

London Sea Water Supply Bill [Lords.]

North Cornwall Railway Bill [Lords.]

United Telephone Company Bill.

Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill [Repayment of Deposit.]

That it is expedient to authorise the repayment of the sum of Three thousand two hundred and seventy-five pounds Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Annuities, being the sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo* Railway (*Donegal* Extension) and *Enniskillen* and *Bundoran* Extension Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1879," which in pursuance of Section thirty-six of that Act is now forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon.

The said Resolution being read a second time; A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

Bristol Port
Extension
Railways
[Cancellation
of Bond.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on *Bristol Port Extension Railways* [Cancellation of Bond].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the release of the sum of Seventy-seven thousand and twelve pounds three shillings the amount of the Bond, dated 29th July 1864, entered into by the *Bristol Port Extension Railway Company* and *Charles Waring* (since deceased) and *Henry Waring*, under the provisions of Section 48 of "The *Bristol Port Extension Railways* Act, 1864," and that the Solicitor to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall deliver up to *Henry Waring* and the Executors of the late *Charles Waring*, or either of them, the said Bond in order to the cancelling thereof.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Gas and Water
Provisional
Orders Bill.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Water Pro-
visional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.

The Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pier and
Harbour Pro-
visional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Four-
teenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Royal Irish
Constabulary.
No. 221.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Royal *Irish Constabulary*, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant June, be printed.

Seamen
Pensioners'
Reserve (Cor-
respondence.)
No. 222.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Seamen Pensioners' Reserve (Correspondence), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant June, be printed.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 370.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the management of the Endowment in the Parish of *Caerlaverock*, and County of *Dumfries*, known as the *Hutton* Trust, approved by the *Scotch* Education Department.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland) Act,
1882.
No. 223.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *Jackson* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of April last, for Returns relative to *East India* and *China* (Exports and Imports).

East India and
China (Exports
and Imports.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—*Richmond* Bridge Cash Account for the year 1887.

Richmond
Bridge.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Equity Civil Bills filed in each County of *Ireland* in each Year since the passing of "The County Officers Act, 1877," and of the Amounts paid by the Treasury to Clerks of the Peace, Clerks of the Crown and Peace, and Registrars of Civil Bill Courts, for each County in *Ireland* for the Year 1887, distinguishing whether for Salaries, Allowances, Expenses, or other Remuneration.

Equity Civil
Bills (Ireland.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the *Ayr* and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill, without Amendment.

Ayr and Dis-
trict Tramways
(Abandon-
ment) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the City of *London* (Fire Inquests) Bill, without Amendment.

City of London
(Fire Inquests)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Chatham* and *Brompton* Tramways (Abandonment) Bill, without Amendment.

Chatham and
Brompton
Tramways
(Abandon-
ment) Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for better enforcing Church Discipline; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Clergy
Discipline Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for *Ireland* relating to *Coleraine*, *Longford*, and *Tandragee*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Govern-
ment (Ireland)
Provisional
Orders
(Coleraine, &c.)
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers on the *Lambourn Valley* Railway Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lambourn
Valley Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Trustees of the Port and Harbours of *Greenock* to make Arrangements with reference to the Financial Affairs of the Trust, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Greenock
Harbour Bill
[Lords.]

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders (*Coleraine*, &c.) Bill was read the first time.

Local Govern-
ment (Ireland)
Provisional
Orders

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

(Coleraine, &c.)
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 297.

The *Lambourn Valley* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Lambourn
Valley Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The

Greenock
Harbour Bill
[Lords.]

The *Greenock* Harbour Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

National Debt
(Supplemental)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

National
Defence
[Remunera-
tion, &c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on National Defence [Remuneration, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of Remuneration to Railway Companies for receiving and forwarding traffic under the authority of a Secretary of State or the Admiralty, and of compensation to any person suffering loss for anything done under such authority, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision respecting National Defence.

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Customs
(Wine Duty)
Bill.

The Customs (Wine Duty) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Composition and election of Council and position of Chairman).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 2, after l. 5, to insert the words, "(d.) Every councillor shall be entitled to claim a sum in payment of the expenses, if any, actually and reasonably incurred by him in travelling to and from the place of meeting of the council."

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Marjoribanks, } 199.
Yeas, { Mr. Cyril Flower : }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 243.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond : }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, after l. 5, to insert the words "The Members of Parliament for the divisions of the county, and of the boroughs therein shall be *ex-officio* members of the county council."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, after l. 5, to insert the words "They shall by virtue of their office, be Justices of the Peace for the county."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, after l. 5, to insert the words "No person shall be capable of being a member of more than one county council."

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Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Warmington, } 122.
Yeas, { Mr. Cremer : }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 173.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond : }

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, after l. 7, to insert the words "(a.) Every borough shall return at least one councillor."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, after l. 22, to insert the words, "Provided always that every decision of justices at quarter sessions as to the electoral divisions in the county shall be by order, notice of which shall be published once at least in every newspaper published in the county. Such order shall be submitted for confirmation to the Local Government Board. If within one month after publication of such notice as aforesaid not less than twenty county electors petition the Local Government Board to disallow the order, the Local Government Board shall cause to be held a local inquiry and determine whether such order shall be confirmed or modified."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Arthur Williams, } 178.
Yeas, { Mr. Herbert Gardner : }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 256.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond : }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, after l. 22, to insert the words "Provided that the Quarter Sessions shall meet for such a purpose in a Special Sessions, at which any ratepayer shall be entitled to be heard."

Question, That those words be there inserted,—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, after l. 30, to insert the words "He shall be one of the elective councillors."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Seale-Hayne, } 151.
Yeas, { Mr. James Rowlands : }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 282.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond : }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 31, to leave out the words "three years," in order to insert the words "one year, but he shall be eligible for re-election."

Question put, That the words "three years" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 260.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond : }

Tellers for the { Mr. Conybeare, } 178.
Noes, { Mr. James Stuart : }

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause to add the words "He shall be entitled to receive such sum as the council shall determine."

Question, That those words be there added,—put, and negatived.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause as amended, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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Friday,

Friday, 15th June, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Technical Instruction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Instruction Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Criminal Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Bail (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Law, &c.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure.

North Sea Fisheries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the North Sea Fisheries Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Official Secrets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant June, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Supply [1st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply; [31st May.]

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; [15th May.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; [4th June.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerks of the Peace Bill. [Clerks of the Peace Bill.]

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill; [Beer Adulteration Bill.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill; [Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill; [Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act (1875) Amendment Bill; [Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act (1875) Amendment Bill.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill; [Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill; [Advertisement Rating Bill.]

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Technical Education Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Libraries Act (1855) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries Act (1855) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Justices of the Peace Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords*]. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Charities Restitution Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Weekly Wages Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Wages Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Public Income and Expenditure (1887-8.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Analysed Account of the Public Income and Expenditure for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1888 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 227, of Session 1887).

Brixton Park Bill. Mr. C. S. Parker reported from the Committee on the *Brixton Park* Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by altering the recital relating to the purchase of the property, in order to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true, and had made provision in the Bill, pursuant to the Instruction of the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Oxford, Aylesbury and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill. Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway* Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to Clause 10 of the Bill (Power to cross Roads, &c.) had been referred to the Committee. The Committee required from the Promoters information as suggested by the Report, and inserted a provision which they con-

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sidered would sufficiently deal with the matter therein referred to.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. C. S. Parker reported the *Henley-on-Thames Gas* Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. C. S. Parker reported the *Alabama Great Southern Railway* Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords*]. Bill 298.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 15th June, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders [*Dublin Markets*] Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Bill.

Manchester Ship Canal Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Chatham and Dover Railway* Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The *Barking Parish Division* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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Ordered,

Barking Parish Division Bill [*Lords*].

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Forth Bridge
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The *Forth* Bridge Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

James Lewis
and Son's
Liverpool Cop-
per Wharf
Company,
Limited,
Bill [Lords.]

James Lewis and Son's *Liverpool* Copper Wharf Company, Limited, Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Nelson Local
Board Bill.

The *Nelson* Local Board Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Southampton
Street Tram-
ways) Bill
[Lords.]

The *Southampton* Street Tramways Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Plymouth and
Dartmoor Rail-
way Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Plymouth* and *Dartmoor* Railway Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Raihes*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Porthdinleyn
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Porthdinleyn* Railway Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Raihes*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Bexley Heath
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bexley Heath* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Enniskillen,
Bundoran, and
Sligo Railway
Bill [Repay-
ment of
Deposit.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant June, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That it is expedient to authorise the repayment of the sum of Three thousand three hundred and seventy-five pounds Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Annuities, being the sum deposited in respect of the application to Parliament for "The *Enniskillen*, *Bundoran*, and

Sligo Railway (*Donegal* Extension) and *Enniskillen* and *Bundoran* Extension Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1879," which in pursuance of section thirty-six of that Act is now forfeited, together with any interest or dividends thereon;

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 it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Enniskillen*, *Bundoran*, and *Sligo* Railway Bill, That they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Sir *Charles Forster* reported from the Committee on *Bristol* Port Extension Railways [Cancellation of Bond], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the release of the sum of Seventy-seven thousand and twelve pound three shillings the amount of the Bond, dated 29th July 1864, entered into by the *Bristol* Port Extension Railway Company and *Charles Waring* (since deceased) and *Henry Waring*, under the provisions of section 48 of "The *Bristol* Port Extension Railways Act, 1864," and that the Solicitor to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall deliver up to *Henry Waring* and the Executors of the late *Charles Waring*, or either of them, the said Bond in order to the cancelling thereof.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Bristol* Port Extension Railways Bill, That they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Alabama* Great Southern Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

The Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* and *China* (Exports and Imports), which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Proclamation applying sections 3 and 4 of the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, to the County of *Antrim*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of February last, for a Return

Bristol Port
Extension Rail-
ways [Cancell-
ation of Bond.]

Alabama Great
Southern Rail-
way Bill.

Drainage and
Improvement of
Lands (*Ireland*)
Provisional
Order Bill.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Order
(No. 12) Bill.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Order
(No. 13) Bill.

Public
Petitions
Vide Four-
teenth Report.

East India
and *China*
(Exports and
Imports.)
No. 224.

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(*Ireland*) Act,
1887 (Procla-
mations.)

Eccelesiastical
Commissioners
(Amounts
Due.)

a Return relative to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Amounts Due).

British
Museum
(Income and
Expenditure.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Income and Expenditure of the *British Museum* (Special Trust Funds) for the year ending the 31st of March 1888.

British
Museum
(Number of
Visitors, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons admitted to visit the Museum, and the *British Museum* (Natural History), in each year from 1882 to 1887, both years inclusive; together with a Statement of the Progress made in the Arrangement and Description of the Collections, and an Account of Objects added to them, in the year 1887.

Kent (Isle of
Thanet
Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the *Isle of Thanet* Division of the County of *Kent*, in the room of the Right Honourable *Edward Robert King-Harman*, deceased.

National Debt
(Supplemental)
Bill.

The National Debt (Supplemental) Bill was according to Order, read a third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

National De-
fence [Remu-
neration, &c.]

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee on National Defence [Remuneration, &c.], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of remuneration to Railway Companies for receiving and forwarding traffic under the authority of a Secretary of State or the Admiralty, and of compensation to any person suffering loss for anything done under such authority, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision respecting National Defence.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Transfer to County Council of administrative business of Quarter Sessions).

An Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, after the word "namely," to insert as a new paragraph the words "the preparation and revision of a basis or standard for the county rate, which, with such additions and modifications as may be necessary, shall be the basis or standard for all rates leviable in the county."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, after l. 15, to insert the words "the appointment, control, and dismissal of chief constables, and the management of the police in pursuance of this Act."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Heneage*,
Yeas, { Mr. *Herbert Gardner*: } 218.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*: } 264.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, to leave out from the word "property" to the end of sub-section (iv).

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

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And, it being ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved North Sea Fisheries Bill itself into a Committee on the *North Sea Fisheries Bill*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lord *Randolph Churchill* reported from the Army Estimates Select Committee on Army Estimates; That they (Third Report.) had made further progress in the matters to them No. 225. referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; Orders. which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the *Torquay Harbour and Torquay District Act (1886) Amendment Bill*, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Bill be permitted to proceed. (1886) Amendment Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir *John Mowbray* accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure: Mr. *Dugdale*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Kynoch*.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, the following Fifteen Members in respect of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill: Mr. *Abraham* (*Glamorganshire*), Mr. *Ainslie*, Mr. *Aird*, Mr. *Barnes*, Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Donald Crawford*, Mr. *William Crawford*, Sir *Donald Currie*, Mr. *Davenport*, Mr. *George Elliot*, Sir *William Ewart*, Mr. *Fenwick*, Mr. *Gill*, Mr. *MacInnes*, and Mr. *Royden*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on Local Government Provisional Order (Poor Law) (No. 7) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House. Bill (Provisional Order confirmed.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill (Provisional Orders confirmed.) That, in pursuance of the Instructions of the House of the 11th instant, they had made provision confirmed.)

sion in the Bill to authorise, First. The application to the purposes of "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order, 1888*," of the sums of One hundred and six pounds nine shillings and three pence Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order, 1883*," and of One hundred and seventy pounds and fourteen shillings now liable to forfeiture, being part of the balance of the sum deposited for securing the completion of the Tramways authorised by "The *Hartlepool Tramways Order, 1884*." Secondly. The release of the sums of Sixty pounds six shillings and one penny Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1883, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon, and of One hundred and twenty-two pounds six shillings, the remainder of the balance of the sum deposited in respect of the Tramways authorised by the said Order of 1884, now liable to forfeiture, together with any interest thereon.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways Bill [Lords.]
Wirral Railway Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported the Wirral Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London and Blackwall Railway Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the London and Blackwall Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bristol Port Extension Railways Bill

Mr. C. S. Parker reported from the Committee on the Bristol Port Extension Railways Bill; That in pursuance of the Instructions of the House of the 15th June, the Committee had made provisions in the Bill to authorise the release of the sum of Seventy-seven thousand and twelve pounds three shillings, the amount of the bond dated 29th July 1864, entered into by Bristol Port Extension Railway Company and Charles Waring (since deceased), and Henry Waring, under the provisions of Section 48 of the Bristol Port Extension Railways Act 1864, and the delivery up and cancellation of the said Bond.

Mr. C. S. Parker further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and had amended the same by reciting the death of the late Charles Waring, and the making and proving of his Will, and had otherwise amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill.

Mr. C. S. Parker reported from the Committee on the Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway

Bill; That in pursuance of the Instructions of the House of the 15th day of June, the Committee had made provision in the Bill authorising the repayment of the sum of Three thousand two hundred and seventy-five pounds Three Pounds Consolidated Annuities, being the amount of the deposit fund transferred or paid as security for the completion of the Railways and works authorised by the "Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway (Donegal Extension), and Enniskillen and Bundoran Extension Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1879."

Mr. S. C. Parker further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by omitting so much thereof as referred to proof of title, in order to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. C. S. Parker reported from the Committee on the Hinchley Local Board Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill had been referred to the Committee, but the Bill having commenced in the House of Lords, and having been very considerably altered and amended by the Committee of that House in compliance with the recommendations of that Report, the Committee had not thought it necessary or expedient to make any further alterations in the Bill as submitted to them in consequence of that Report.

Mr. C. S. Parker further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Means.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, it is desirable, with a view to the settlement of a long-standing controversy as to the wrong stated to have been suffered by a meritorious servant of the Crown, that a Select Committee should be appointed to inquire into the case of Mr. William Tayler, late Commissioner of Patna," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 16th June, 1888:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 184.
Colonel Walrond;

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Roper Lethbridge, } 20.
Sir Henry Havelock-
Allan.

So it

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Consolidated
Fund.

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the sum of £. 5,570,712 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs (Wine
Duty) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs (Wine Duty) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Duty on sparkling wine in bottle).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, after the word "bottle" to insert the words "in bond bottled and in cases or other packages."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

After Debate thereon;

Chairman
withholds his
Assent, and
declines to put
the Question.

Mr. William Lowther rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put the Question:

After further Debate;

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Stephen Williamson, } 57.

Yeas, { Mr. Thomas Baring: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 110.
Noes. { Colonel Walrond: }

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Reduction of duty).

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Dr. Tanner. } 46.
Yeas, { Mr. Conybeare: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 107.
Noes. { Colonel Walrond: }

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 25, after the word "gallon" to insert the words "in bond bottled and in cases or other packages."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

After Debate thereon;

Dr. Tanner rose in his place and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question, "That the Question be now put,"—put, and agreed to.

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Question accordingly put, That the Chairman do report progress, and ask leave to sit again, and negatived.

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill,—"put, and agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock on Saturday morning, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 18th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Coleraine, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill.

Mersey Railway (No. 2) Bill.

Lincoln Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, viz.:

East and West Yorkshire Union Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders inquired into not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Greenock Harbour Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Vauxhall Park Bill.	The House proceeded take into consideration the <i>Vauxhall Park Bill</i> , as amended in the Committee. A Clause (Prohibiting taking houses of labouring class) was twice read; and made part of the Bill. Then Amendments were made to the Bill. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time.	The Local Government (<i>Ireland</i>) Provisional Order Bill [<i>Dublin Markets</i>] Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.	Local Government (<i>Ireland</i>) Provisional Order [<i>Dublin Markets</i>] Bill [<i>Lords</i>].
Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill.	The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the <i>Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill</i> , as amended in the Committee. <i>Ordered</i> , That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.	The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.
Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill [<i>Lords</i>].	The <i>Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill</i> was read a second time; and committed.	The Order made upon the 17th day of April last, That the United States and <i>South American Investment Trust Company Bill</i> be committed, was read, and discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.	United States and <i>South American Investment Trust Company Bill</i> .
Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill [<i>Lords</i>].	The <i>Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill</i> was read a second time; and committed.	Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.	Public Petitions. Vide Fourteenth Report, Army (Militia).
Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill.	The <i>Manchester Ship Canal</i> (No. 2) Bill was read a second time; and committed.	Mr. Secretary <i>Stanhope</i> presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations relating to the Militia. Copy of further Regulations relating to the Army Reserve. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.	Army Reserve.
Newcastle-upon Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill [<i>Lords</i>].	The <i>Newcastle-upon Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill</i> was read a second time; and committed.	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Proceedings under "The Land Law (<i>Ireland</i>) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "The Labourers (<i>Ireland</i>) Acts, 1885 and 1886," and "Purchase of Land (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1885," during the Month of May 1888.	Irish Land Commission.
United Telephone Company Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the United Telephone Company Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant June.	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Abstract of the Accounts of all Fines and other Penal Sums accounted for by the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks under the Acts 14 and 15 <i>Vic. c. 90</i> , and 21 and 22 <i>Vic. c. 100</i> , for the year ending 31st December 1886.	Fines, &c. (<i>Ireland</i>).
South Staffordshire Water Bill.	A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the <i>South Staffordshire Water Bill</i> to insert the Auction Clauses with reference to the £.60,750 unissued balance of the ordinary stock, and to the £.41,637 unissued balance of the loan capital of the <i>South Staffordshire Waterworks Company</i> :—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.	Account of the Receipts and Expenditure under the Dogs Regulation (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1865, for the year ending 31st December 1887. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.	Dogs Regulation (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1865.
Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill.	<i>Ordered</i> , That in the case of the <i>Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill</i> , Standing Orders 84, 214, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited. The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration. <i>Ordered</i> , That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.	The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirtieth Annual Report of the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for Scotland. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.	Lunacy (Scotland).
Bristol Port Extension Railways Bill.	<i>Ordered</i> , That in the case of the <i>Bristol Port Extension Railways Bill</i> , Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited. The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration. <i>Ordered</i> , That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.	Mr. <i>Jackson</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Horse Breeding. Mr. <i>Jackson</i> also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts showing the Sums received from the Khedive of <i>Egypt</i> ; the Charge for Principal and Interest on the Money raised in respect of the Purchase of the Shares in the <i>Suez Canal</i> ; and the Amount of Principal still outstanding on March 31st, 1888.	Horse Breeding (Royal Commission). Suez Canal (Purchase of Shares).
Local Government Provisional Order (Poor Law) (No. 7) Bill.	The Local Government Provisional Order (Poor Law) (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.	Return of the Amount payable on the 5th January 1888, out of the Consolidated Fund, for Ecclesiastical purposes in the <i>West Indies</i> , and of the Appropriation of it to different Islands and Persons therein, with their respective Offices. Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 14th June 1888, declaring that <i>Martha Barclay</i> was appointed Postmistress at <i>Broughty Ferry</i> , without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of her Department. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.	Clergy (West Indies). Superannuation Act, 1884.

Sir

Forth Bridge
Railway.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-first Quarterly Report of Inspection, by Major General Hutchinson, R.E., and Major Marindin, of the Works in progress for the Construction of the Bridge over the River Forth.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

China (No. 1,
1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. F. S. A. Bourne, of a Journey in South Western China.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lynmouth and
Lynton Lift
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

South
Lincolnshire
Fen Water
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the South Lincolnshire Fen Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Companies.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns showing the under-mentioned Particulars with regard to all Companies which have been ordered to be wound up under the provisions of the Companies Acts compulsorily, or under the supervision of the Court, since the commencement of "The Companies Act, 1862":—

Name, &c. of Company.	Name, &c. of Liquidator.	Name, &c. of Solicitor.	Date of Wind- ing-up Order.	Date of Closure, if finally wound up.

—And, showing the under-mentioned Particulars (to the 31st day of December 1886) with regard to all Companies which were ordered to be wound up in the year 1867 under the provisions of the Companies Acts compulsorily, or under the supervision of the Court:—

Name, &c. of Company.	Name, &c. of Liquidator.	Name, &c. of Solicitor.	Date of Winding-up Order.	Date of Closure, if finally wound up.	Assets realised to 31st December 1886.			Payments to 31st December 1886.						Balance in hand at 31st December 1886.
					Proceeds of Calls made during Liquidation.	Other Realisations.	Total.	Liquidator's Fees.	Law Costs.	Other Expenses.	Total Costs.	To Creditors.	To Shareholders.	
					£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.

Tramways and
Public
Companies
(Ireland) Act,
1883.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Payments made by the Treasury under "The Tramways and Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883," specifying the Amount paid to each Company in each year down to the present date.

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Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of a Minute by His Excellency the Governor General of India, dated the 5th day of February 1859; of a Letter from the Governor of India to the Governor of Bengal, dated the 4th day of March 1859; of a Letter from the Governor of Bengal to Mr. William Tayler, dated the 12th day of March 1859; and, of a Letter from the Governor of Bengal to the Governor of India, dated 6th April 1859, with Enclosure.

East India
(Mr. William
Tayler, of
Patna.)

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to express the deep concern and sorrow of this House at the great loss which Her Majesty has sustained by the death of His Imperial Majesty Frederick William, German Emperor, King of Prussia, and to condole with Her Majesty on this melancholy occasion, and to pray Her Majesty that She will be graciously pleased to express to His Majesty, the present Emperor, the profound sympathy of this House with the Imperial and Royal Family, and with the Government, and People of Germany.

Death of the
German
Emperor.

To assure Her Majesty that this House will ever feel the warmest interest in whatever concerns Her Majesty's domestic relations, and to declare the ardent wishes of this House for the happiness of Her Majesty, and of Her Family.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That this House doth condole with Her Imperial Majesty Victoria, German Empress, Queen of Prussia, Princess Royal of Great Britain and Ireland, on the great loss which She has sustained by the death of His Imperial Majesty.

Ordered, That a Message of Condolence be sent to Her Imperial Majesty, and that Mr. Speaker do communicate the said Message to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Berlin, with a request that he will attend the Empress Victoria for the purpose of conveying it to Her Imperial Majesty.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords, by the Lords. one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders Bill, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 3) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 3) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 4) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 4) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 5) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Poor Law)
(No. 5) Bill.

Metropolitan
Commons
[Chislehurst and Saint
Paul's Cray]
Provisional
Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Commons [Chislehurst and Saint Paul's Cray] Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act
(1887) Amend-
ment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Riddings
District Gas
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Riddings District Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ways and
Means
[15th June.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Consolidated
Fund.

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the sum of £.5,570,712 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Consolidated
Fund (No. 2.)

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Consolidated
Fund (No. 2)
Bill.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Local
Government
(England and
Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE N° 3 (Transfer to County Council of administrative business of Quarter Sessions).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 3, l. 18, to leave out from the word "subject," to the end of paragraph (iv).

Question again proposed, That the words "subject as to the use of buildings by the "Quarter Sessions and the Justices" stand part of the Clause;

Question put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 19, after the word "Justices" to insert the words "to the right of the Quarter Sessions, and of "any committee appointed by the Quarter Sessions, to use and occupy the shire halls, "county halls, assize courts, and Judges' lodgings "as heretofore, and."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, to leave out "paragraph (vi)."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Firth, } 171.
 { Mr. Gourley: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Dugdale, } 246.
 { Baron Dimsdale: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 31, after the word "school," to insert the words "and the visitation of prisons."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Pickersgill, } 187.
 { Mr. Warmington: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 259.
 { Colonel Walrond: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 37,

after the word "County," to insert the words "except the clerk of the peace and every clerk "to Justices in Petty Sessions."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment, proposed in p. 3, l. 39, after the word "of" to insert the words "chief "constable."

Question proposed, That the words "chief "constable" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 2, to leave out the words "other than the clerk of "the peace and the clerk of the Justices."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 191.
 { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Brunner, } 130.
 { Mr. Conybeare: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 2, after the word "Justices," to insert the words "and the determination of the salary of the "chief constable."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 120.
 { Mr. Marjoribanks: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 161.
 { Colonel Walrond: }

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 10, after the word "voters" to insert the words, "Provided, That no selected councillors shall "have a vote in respect of such matters."

Question, That those words be there inserted, —put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 23, to leave out from the words "Fifty-five" to the second word "And," in l. 26.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "There shall also be "transferred to the County Council all powers now "vested in the Court of Quarter Sessions, or any "committee of Justices, to acquire or provide "shire halls, county halls, lunatic asylums, judges' "lodgings, assize courts, lock-up houses, court "houses, justices' rooms, police stations, or other "county buildings or works."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Transfer to County Council of certain powers of Justices out of session).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 32, after the words "stage plays" to insert the words "else- "where than within Boroughs."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 32, after the word "plays" to insert the words, "other than licences for the performance of stage "plays by travelling troupes."

Question, That those words be there inserted, —put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Reservation of business to Quarter Sessions).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 40, after the word "all" to insert the word "judicial."

Question, That the word "judicial" be there inserted —put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the

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the Clause, to add the words, "Save as afore-
said all the business of Quarter Sessions shall
be transferred to the County Council."

Question put, That those words be there
added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Conybeare, } 116.
Yeas, { Mr. Waddy : }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 165.
Noes, { Colonel Wulfrond : }

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Powers of Quarter Sessions as
to visiting lunatic asylums).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 3, to leave
out the words "The Quarter Sessions," in
order to insert the words "Every Justice of the
peace."

Question proposed, That the words "The
Quarter Sessions" stand part of the Clause :
—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 7 (Powers as to Police).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 11, to leave
out from the word "nothing" to the word
"aforesaid," in l. 17, both inclusive.

Question proposed, That the words proposed
to be left out stand part of the Clause :—
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 11,
to leave out from the word "nothing" to the
words "Constables and," in l. 13, both inclu-
sive.

Question proposed, That the words proposed
to be left out stand part of the Clause ;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr.
Courtney reported, That the Committee had
made Progress in the Bill; and that he was
directed to move, That the Committee may have
leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at
Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the
said Committee.

Customs (Wine
Duty) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself
into a Committee on the Customs (Wine Duty)
Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 4, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 5, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Power to buy for the Crown).
Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, after the
word "gallon" to insert the words "including
cost of bottling package and all charges."

Question proposed, That those words be there
inserted;

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Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 7, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 8 (Definition of market value).
Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26,
after the word "him" to insert the words "in
bond, or the cost to him bottled in cases or
"packages, including freight and all foreign
transit charges to place the wine in bond at the
"port of discharge."

Question proposed, That those words be there
inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 9, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10, amended and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 11, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 12, agreed to.

A Clause (Importer not bound to produce
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invoice to director of Co-operative Stores),
—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the
Clause be read a second time :— Motion and
Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr.
Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone
through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the
Committee, be taken into consideration this day,
at Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court of
Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill
Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tithe Rent-
Second Reading of the Tithe Rentcharge charge Bill
Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tithe
Second Reading of the Tithe Rentcharge Re- Rentcharge
covery and Variation Bill; Recovery and
Variation Bill

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant
Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Shipping (Life
Saving Appliances) Bill; Saving
Appliances) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supreme Court
the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed of Judicature
upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme (Ireland)
Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill Amendment
Bill.

be now read a second time ;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned
till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Land Law
mittee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Com- (Ireland)
mission) Bill; (Land Com-
mission) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Excise Duties
Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local (Local
Purposes) Bill; Purposes) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant
June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Imperial
mittee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; Defence
[Expenses.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- National
mittee on the National Defence Bill; Defence Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Land Law
mittee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) (Ireland)
[Remuneration]; (Land Com-
mission) (Re-
muneration.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday
the 28th day of this instant June, resolve itself
into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Parliamentary
mittee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to Under Secre-
the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill; tary to the
Lord Lieut-
enant of
the (Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday

the 28th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Criminal
Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts
Consolidation
and Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken in consideration upon Thursday next.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mortmain and
Charitable
Uses Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Official Secrets
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant June, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[15th May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[4th June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bail (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day, at Two of the clock.

Supply
[1st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Supply
[31st May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Victoria
University Bill.

The *Victoria University Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Vexatious
Indictments
(Amendment)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vexatious Indictments (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Personal Property (Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Lists (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, Bill.

	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;	Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill.
Public Libraries Act (1855) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries Act (1855) Amendment Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	
Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill;	Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill.
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next.	
Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Acts Amendment Bill;	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill;	Turbary (Ireland) Bill.
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next.	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	
Parliamentary Elections Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory Acts Amendment Bill;	Factory Acts Amendment Bill.
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of July next.	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	
Queen Anne's Bounty Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Queen Anne's Bounty Bill;	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Returns Bill;	Corn Returns Bill.
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of July next.	Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.	
Parliamentary Voters Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill;	Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill.
Agricultural Holdings Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant June.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;	Trawling (Scotland) Bill.
Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;	Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bills of Exchange Registration Bill;	Bills of Exchange Registration Bill.
Registration of Clubs Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Clubs Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vestrymen's Qualification Bill;	Vestrymen's Qualification Bill.
Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of Working Classes (London) Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill;	Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill.
Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;	Moveable Abodes Bill.
Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill;	Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill.
School Board for London (Pensions) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	
	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.];	Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.].
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		The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;	Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill.
		Ordered,	

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Allotments Act, 1887;" And that Major *Rasch*, Sir *Edward Birkbeck*, Mr. *Jesse Collings*, Mr. *Round*, Mr. *Story-Maskelyne*, Colonel *Gunter*, Mr. *Fulton*, and Lord *Henry Bentinck* do prepare, and bring it in.

Trustee Savings Banks. *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report on (1) the administration of Trustee Savings Banks under "The Trustee Savings Banks Act, 1863"; (2) The powers, duties, and liabilities of the Trustees, Managers, and Officers of Trustee Savings Banks; (3) The relations of Trustee Savings Banks to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, the Registrar of Friendly Societies, and other Offices or Departments of the Government, so far as these relations affect the internal management of the affairs of the said Banks; and (4) The alleged assumption by certain Trustee Savings Banks of designations calculated to mislead depositors.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. *A. H. Acland*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Dr. *Clark*, Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *Kenrick*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, Mr. *Stuart-Wortley*, Mr. *Whitley*, Mr. *Brodie Hoare*, Mr. *R. G. Mowbray*, Sir *John Dorington*, Mr. *James Campbell*, Mr. *Bartley*, Sir *John Kennaway*, Mr. *William Redmond*, and Mr. *Hayden*; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Glebe Tenants in Ireland. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return in the following Form:—

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885.

1.—A. The Number of Purchasers under the Fifth Sub-section of the Thirty-fourth Section of "The Irish Church Act, 1869," who had outstanding mortgage debts due to the Land Commission at the date of the passing of "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885;"

B. The Number of Purchasers by Instalment Mortgage who obtained Relief under the Twenty-third Section of the Land Act of 1885;

C. The Number of Purchasers by Simple Mortgage who obtained Relief under the Twenty-third Section of the Land Act of 1885;

Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887.

2.—A. The Number of Purchasers by Instalment Mortgage under the Fifty-second Section of "The Irish Church Act, 1869," who have obtained Relief under the Twenty-fifth Section of the Land Act of 1887;

B. The Number of Purchasers by Simple Mortgage under the Fifty-second Section of "The Irish Church Act, 1869," who have obtained Relief under the Twenty-fifth Section of the Land Act of 1887;

C. The Number of Purchasers under this Section who have obtained Relief under the Fifth Sub-section, dealing with Arrears;

D. The amount of Arrears so dealt with.

Land Law (Wales and Monmouthshire) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Wales and Monmouthshire) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Accumulations Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Wednesday next, on the Accumulations Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Major *Rasch* presented a Bill to amend "The Allotments Act, 1887;" And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed. **Bill 290.**

Sir *John Gorst* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to *East India* (Mr. *William Tayler*, of *Patna*). **No. 226.**

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill.

Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The *Bexley Heath* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments. **Bexley Heath Railway Bill [Lords.]**

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The *Alabama Great Southern* Railway Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed. **Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill.**

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden* Railway Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed. **Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill.**

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Bristol Port Extension* Railways Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed. **Bristol Port Extension Railways Bill.**

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan* Junction Railway Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed. **Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill.**

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London and Blackwall* Railway Bill. **London and Blackwall Railway Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time. **[Lords.]**

Ordered, That in the case of the *Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that

that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Coleraine, &c.) Bill [Lords.]
Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Coleraine, &c.) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourteenth Report.

Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Amounts Due.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Amounts Due), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant June, be printed.

No. 227.

Fines, &c. (Ireland)

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Fines, &c. (Ireland), which were presented upon the 18th day of this instant June, be printed.

No. 228.

Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865, which were presented upon the 18th day of this instant June, be printed.

No. 229.

Suez Canal (Purchase of Shares.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Suez Canal (Purchase of Shares), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant June, be printed.

No. 230.

Navy Accounts (Shipbuilding and Dockyard Transactions, 1887-8.)

Lord George Hamilton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Balance Sheets and Accounts of Shipbuilding and other Dockyard Transactions at Home, for the Financial Year 1887-8, Part I., prepared in pursuance of the Recommendations of the Select Committee on Admiralty Moneys and Accounts, of the 27th day of July 1868.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 371.

Africa (No. 3, 1888.)

Copy of Convention between Her Majesty and the President of the Republic of Liberia for the settlement of certain Claims preferred by British Subjects against the Republic of Liberia, and for the settlement of the North Western Boundaries of the Republic, signed at Freetown, 11th November 1885.

France (No. 2, 1888.)

Copy of Declaration for the abrogation of the Declaration of the 19th June 1847, between Great Britain and France, concerning the Islands to the leeward of Tahiti.

Navigation Treaties (Treatment Clauses.) (Commercial (No. 9) 1888.)

Copy of further Return of National Treatment Clauses in existing Treaties of Navigation between Great Britain and Foreign Powers (in continuation of Commercial, No. 13, 1887).

Chinese Immigrants (China, No. 2, 1888.)

Sir James Fergusson also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Chinese Immigrants (China, No. 2, 1888).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House.—Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland, for the year ended 31st December 1887, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. Hastings reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That in the case of the Llanelly Local Board Bill, a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill was referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations in that Report have been dealt with by the Committee is set forth in Appendix (C).

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills. Llanelly Local Board Bill.

Mr. Hastings further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate Proceedings under "The Church Discipline Act, 1840," and "The Public Worship Regulation Act, 1874," and to amend the same: And that Colonel Sandys, Mr. Wardle, Mr. Joicey, and Colonel Saunderson do prepare, and bring it in.

Bishop's Authority Regulation.

Colonel Sandys accordingly presented a Bill to regulate Proceedings under "The Church Discipline Act, 1840," and "The Public Worship Regulation Act, 1874," and to amend the same: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next; and to be printed.

Bishop's Authority Regulation Bill.

Bill 300.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Customs (Wine Duty) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Customs (Wine Duty) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 7 (Powers as to police).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 5, l. 11, to leave out from the word "Nothing," to the words "constables and," in l. 13.

Question again proposed, That the words "Nothing in this Act shall affect" stand part of the Clause;

Question put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 12, after the word "respect," to insert the words "to the county police or."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Sir Walter Barttelot, } 77.
Yeas, { Viscount Grimston:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 360.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 12, to leave out from the word "respect," to the word "to," in l. 18.

Question put, That the words "to the appointment, control, and dismissal of chief constables" stand part of the Clause;

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 216.
Yeas,	{ Colonel Walrond :	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 246.
Noes,	{ Mr. Marjoribanks :	

Words omitted.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 20, to leave out from the word "to," to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department."

Question, That the words proposed to left out stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "All agreements under which the police of any county and borough are consolidated, or under which any borough is watched by county police, shall, notwithstanding anything in this Act, remain in force and be carried into effect until lawfully determined, the standing joint committee only being substituted so far as requisite for the justices of the county."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "This section shall apply to all the counties and parts of counties outside the County of London, in which the control of the Police Force is at present in the hands of the Home Secretary."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 8 (Transfer to County Council of powers of certain Government Departments and other authorities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 24, to leave out the words "on and after the appointed day," in order to insert the words "It shall be lawful for Her Majesty the Queen in Council if satisfied of such approval as hereinafter mentioned, from time to time by order to transfer to the council of a county all or any of."

Question proposed, That the words "on and after the appointed day" stand part of the Clause;

Chairman withholds his Assent, and declines to put the Question.

After Debate thereon, Mr. Howorth rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put," but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 24, after the word "day," to insert the words "it shall be lawful for the Local Government Board to make from time to time a Provisional Order for transferring."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

After Debate thereon;

Chairman withholds his Assent, and declines to put the Question.

Mr. Chaplin rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act for the Augmentation of certain Benefices, the Right of Presentation to which is vested in the Lord Chancellor; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Bishopric of Saint Alban's Act, 1875, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers on the Vale of Clyde Clyde Tramways Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorising the Undertakers of the Navigation of the Rivers of Aire and Calder, in the West Riding of the County of York, to construct certain Works and acquire Lands in the County of York, in connection with their Undertaking; for abandoning certain Railways and stopping up a portion of Saint John Street, in Goole; for confirming certain Agreements; for amending and enlarging the Acts relating to the Undertakers, and for conferring further Powers upon them, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the raising of a Sum of Money on the Settled Estates of the Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham, and for other purposes relating thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Richard Watson Joynt, of Ballina, in the County of Mayo, Ireland, Newspaper Proprietor, with Charlotte Barker Joynt, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order [Denny and Dunipace Water] Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Electric Lighting Act (1882) Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Southampton Street Tramways Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extensions) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords request, that this House will be pleased to give leave to John Blundell Maple, Esquire, a Member of this House, to attend, in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament on the Sweating System;

And Mr. John Blundell Maple being present in his place, declared that he was willing, with leave

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leave of the House, to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships.

Resolved, That *John Blundell Maple*, Esquire, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House hath given leave to *John Blundell Maple*, Esquire, to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Vale of Clyde
Tramways Bill
[Lords.]

The *Vale of Clyde* Tramways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Aire and Calder
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]

The *Aire and Calder* Navigation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Earl of
Winchelsea
and Nottingham's
Estate Bill [Lords.]

The Earl of *Winchelsea* and *Nottingham's* Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Joynt's
Divorce Bill
[Lords.]

Joynt's Divorce Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Access to
Mountains
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, To-morrow, on the Access to Mountains (*Scotland*) Bill was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Colonial
Government
Securities.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the suitability of Colonial Government Inscribed Stocks for Trust Investments should be more adequately recognised:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ecclesiastical
Assessments
(Scotland.)

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, it is inexpedient that Assessments for Ecclesiastical purposes in *Scotland* should be maintained, and that in lieu thereof an equivalent annual assessment ought to be made for assisting Secondary Education in *Scotland*;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "as the Ecclesiastical Assessments have been a burden upon land from time immemorial for the erection and repair of church buildings in the old parishes of *Scotland*, this House, in the absence of any grievance connected therewith, except in the case of feuars, for whose relief a Bill is now before Parliament, declines to entertain a proposal to alienate these assessments to secular uses," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock of Wednesday morning;

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And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

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Tellers for the { *Mr. Hunter*,
Yeas, { *Mr. Firth*: } 111.

Tellers for the { *Mr. James Campbell*,
Noes, { *Sir Charles Dalrymple*: } 148.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "as the Ecclesiastical Assessments have been a burden upon land from time immemorial for the erection and repair of church buildings in the old parishes of *Scotland*, this House, in the absence of any grievance connected therewith, except in the case of feuars, for whose relief a Bill is now before Parliament, declines to entertain a proposal to alienate these assessments to secular uses," being added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes the Left.

Tellers for the { *Mr. James Campbell*,
Yeas, { *Sir Charles Dalrymple*: } 143.

Tellers for the { *Mr. Hunter*,
Noes, { *Mr. Firth*: } 104.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That as the Ecclesiastical Assessments have been a burden upon land from time immemorial for the erection and repair of church buildings in the old parishes of *Scotland*, this House, in the absence of any grievance connected therewith, except in the case of feuars, for whose relief a Bill is now before Parliament, declines to entertain a proposal to alienate these assessments to secular uses.

And it being One of the clock in the morning, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 20th June, 1888.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Midland Great Western, *Dublin* and *Meath*, and *Navan* and *Kingscourt* Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The *Collingbourne* and *Avon Valley* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The *Manchester* Ship Canal Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Select Committee on Divorce Bills was nominated of Mr. Attorney General, the Lord Advocate, Mr. *J. B. Balfour*, Mr. *Madden*, Mr. *Marum*, Sir *John Mowbray*, Mr. *Shaw*, *Lefevre*, Sir *Charles Russell*, and Mr. *Wodehouse*.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Channel Tunnel* (Experimental Works) Bill, Standing Order No. 73 be suspended, and that the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Commons Bill to confirm a Provisional Order for the Regulation of *Therfield Heath* and *Greens*, situated in the Parish of *Therfield*, in the County of *Hertford*, in pursuance of a Report from the

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Commons
Regulation
Provisional
Order [Ther-
field Heath]
Bill.

Bill 301.

Land Commissioners for England: And that Mr. Stuart-Wortley and Mr. Secretary Matthews do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order for the Regulation of *Therfield Heath and Greens*, situated in the Parish of *Therfield*, in the County of *Hertford*, in pursuance of a Report from the Land Commissioners for England: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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teenth Report.

Navy Accounts
(Shipbuilding
and Dockyard
Transactions,
1887-8.)

No. 231.

Intermediate
Education
(Ireland.)

No. 232.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Navy Accounts (Shipbuilding and Dockyard Transactions, 1887-8), which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant June, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Intermediate Education (Ireland), which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant June, be printed.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act,
1881 (Rules,
Forms, &c.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Rule, dated 31st May 1888, made by the Irish Land Commissioners under the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial
Possessions
(Straits Settle-
ments.)

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 11, *Straits Settlements*).

Colonial
Possessions
(Gold Coast.)

Copy of Sanitary and Medical Reports for 1886 and 1887 (No. 12, *Gold Coast*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Libel Law
Amendment
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Libel Law Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Defendant may obtain security for costs from plaintiffs not domiciled in the United Kingdom); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Labouchere, } 73.
 { Mr. Lawson: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Kelly, } 88.
 { Mr. Coghill: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Consolidation of Actions); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Obscene matter need not be set forth in an indictment or other judicial proceedings); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Samuel Smith, } 145.
Yeas, { Sir William Plowden: }

Tellers for the { Sir Algernon Borthwick, } 99.
Noes. { Mr. Lawson: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Clause was accordingly read a second time; and an Amendment was made to the Clause.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause, as amended, be added to the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Samuel Smith, } 145.
Yeas, { Sir William Plowden: }

Tellers for the { Sir Algernon Borthwick, } 108.
Noes, { Mr. Lawson: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, ls. 14 and 15, by leaving out the words "interest and the publication of which" "is not for the public benefit," and insert the word "importance."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 15, after the word "benefit" to insert the words "Provided also, that in any proceeding for libel in which it shall be a question in issue whether the publication of the matter complained of was for the public benefit, such issue shall be a question of fact for the determination of the jury."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause 5.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "In an action for a libel contained in any newspaper it shall be lawful for the defendant to raise by his defence a plea under the second section of the Act of the session of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter 96, intituled, 'An Act to amend the law respecting defamatory words and libel,' without making any payment into court, and where such a plea has been raised (either with or without payment into court)," stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Anderson rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Sir Algernon Borthwick, } 107.
Yeas, { Mr. Lawson: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Anderson, } 230.
Noes. { Mr. Finlay: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Form of Order of detention); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 5, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Appointment of bailiffs).

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "And it shall be deemed sufficient service of any summons under the provisions of this Act if such summons has been delivered at the last-known place of residence or place of business of the defendant."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 7 and N° 8, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 9, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 10 to N° 14, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 15, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 16, agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and amended the Title, as followeth:

Title amended. A Bill to amend the Law relating to the levying of Distress for Rent, and execution for Small Debts in the City of Dublin.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration, To-morrow.

Oaths Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Oaths Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Affirmation may be made instead of oath).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "person," to insert the words "excepting those who state they have no religious belief."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Norris, } 108.

Yeas, { Colonel Duncan; }

Tellers for the { Mr. Bradlaugh, } 205.

Noes, { Mr. Kelly: }

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Partnership Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Fishing in Rivers Bill; Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill; Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill; Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill; upon the 13th day of this instant June, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill, That they have power to extend the scope of the Bill, so as to include marriages between a woman and her deceased husband's brother;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pauper Lunatics Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill; Committee on the Pauper Lunatics Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill. Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill; Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the School Fees (Non-Paupers) Bill; Second Reading of the School Fees (Non-Paupers) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill; Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fairs and Markets (Ireland) Bill; Second Reading of the Fairs and Markets (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill; Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Borough Funds Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Livery Franchise (London) Abolition Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act (1875) (No. 3) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Companies Acts Consolidation and Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Acts Consolidation and Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners' Elections Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.
Jurors' Detention Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Whipping Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Poinding (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poinding (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Beer Adulteration Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Rating of Machinery Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Marriages of Non-conformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.
Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Distress Amendment Bill [Lords.]; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Port and Harbour Authorities (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Port and Harbour Authorities (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.
Quarries Regulation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Public Libraries Act (1855) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Voters Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.
Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday (Cornwall) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Burials Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burials Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Trawling (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 9th day of July next. The

Bills of
Exchange
Registration
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bills of Exchange Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of July next.

Moveable
Abodes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary
Franchise
(Extension to
Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Guardians of
the Poor
(Qualification)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs
(Wine Duty)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Customs (Wine Duty) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Ways and
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Private Bills
(Group E.)

Mr. J. W. Lowther reported from the Committee on Group E. of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill [*Darent Valley Main Sewerage District Order*] had stated that the evidence of Major *Hector Tulloch* was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Major *Hector Tulloch* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at One of the clock.

Ordered, That Major *Hector Tulloch* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at One of the clock.

East India
(Hyderabad
Deccan Mining
Company.)

Ordered, That the Returns relative to *East India (Deccan Mines)*, presented on the 26th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, and on the 30th day of April last, be referred to the Select Committee on *East India (Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company)*.

Ulster Canal
and Tyrone
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]
No. 233.

Mr. *Stansfeld* reported from the Select Committee on the *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation* Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 21st June 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Private Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Orders Nos. 62 and 63 have been complied with, viz.:

Channel Tunnel (Experimental Works) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Riddings District Gas Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Battersea Vestry (Parish Lands) Bill*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *West Ham*, praying that additional Provision may be made in the *West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill*, for remedying certain defects in the Acts of 1882-1883, by empowering the Petitioners to borrow money necessary for defraying certain costs mentioned in the Bill, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir *John Gorst* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Explanatory Memorandum by the Under Secretary of State for *India* on the Accounts and Estimates for *East India*, 1888-89.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statements as to the Duties, Probate Duty Grant, and existing Parliamentary Grants dealt with by the Local Government Bill, and the Estimated Annual Expenditure on Disturnpiked and Main Roads in *England* and *North Wales*, and Turnpike Roads in *South Wales*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Third Report of the Committee appointed to inquire into certain questions relating to Education in *Scotland*; with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix.

Copy of Return showing, by Counties, for each School District in *Scotland* the Rateable Value, the School Rate, the Population, the Number of Children of School Age (5-14), and the Amount of Accommodation, and the Number in Average Attendance in (i.) Public Schools; (ii.) State-aided

aided Schools (Non-Public); (iii.) other Elementary Schools recognised as efficient; (iv.) Higher Class Public Schools; and (v.) Higher Class Schools (Non-Public).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navy (H.M.S. "Rodney," "Howe," "Camperdown," and "Anson.")

Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the principal Particulars of the Original Legends of the "*Rodney*," "*Howe*," "*Camperdown*," and "*Anson*," when the Designs were completed, compared with the corresponding Particulars of the Vessels as finished.

Navy (Exceptions to Queen's Regulations.)

Copy of List of Exceptions to the Queen's Regulations as to Pay, Non-Effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned by the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty, with the Approval of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, pursuant to Her Majesty's Order in Council, dated 19th December 1881, during the year 1887-88.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports of Trade and Finance, Nos. 372 and 373.

Turkey (No. 2, 1888.)

Copy of Statement showing the Surplus of Hospital Receipts at *Constantinople* and *Smyrna* during seven years from 1881 to 1887.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Contagious Diseases (Admissions to Hospitals.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the Ratios of Admissions into Hospital, and of constantly Sick in Hospital, for Venereal Diseases per 1,000 of Strength of Troops serving in the United Kingdom during the years 1881 to 1887; and showing (2) the Ratios of Admissions into Hospital for primary Venereal Sores and Gonorrhœa per 1,000 of Strength of the Troops at certain large Stations in the United Kingdom (formerly under the provisions of the Contagious Diseases Acts) during the years 1881 to 1887.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Courtney* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *Hamilton Water Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Bill*, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported from the Committee on Group No. 7 of Railway Bills; That, in the case of the *Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill*, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return giving the Taxes and Dues levied on Shipping, and the purposes to which the proceeds are appropriated by the Governments of the principal Foreign Maritime States.

Mr. *J. W. Lowther* reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill [*Darent Valley Main Sewerage District Order*], had stated that the evidence of *William Henry Stepney, Hill Cottage, Sevenoaks*, Vestry Clerk of *Sevenoaks*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *William Henry Stepney* do attend the said Committee at Twelve of the clock To-morrow.

Ordered, That *William Henry Stepney* do attend the Committee on Group E of Private Bills To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the National Debt (Supplemental Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *London City Tithes (St. Botolph Without, Aldgate) Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for *Ireland* relating to *Ballymoney, Clones, and Tuam*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders (*Ballymoney, &c.*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Customs (Wine Duty) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,410,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Supply and Repair of Warlike and other Stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item A, £. 90,763, Pay of Establishments and for Inspection and Proof of Stores, be reduced by the Sum of £. 1,000;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Bradlaugh,	} 95.
Yeas,	Mr. Coleridge:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 131.
Noes,	Colonel Watford:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £. 58,300, for the Pay and Miscellaneous Expenses of the Chaplain's Department.

3. £. 32,400, for Pay of the Staff of Military Prisons and other Charges for the Administration of Military Law.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 30,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Ordnance Factories, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to repay the Charge for the Ordnance Factories, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 956,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, that a Sum, not exceeding £. 956,150, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Question put
(pursuant to
S. O. Closure
of Debate.)

Whereupon Mr. Aird rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Aird,	} 198.
Yeas,	Mr. Whitley:	
Tellers for the	Dr. Tanner,	} 85.
Noes,	Mr. Timothy Healy:	

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Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, that the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill was, Consolidated according to Order, read a second time; and Fund (No. 2) committed to a Committee of the whole House, Bill.
for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill; Officers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Technical Instruction Bill; Second Reading of the Technical Instruction Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Acts Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill; Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill; Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill; Evidence Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking County Courts into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill; Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Mortmain and into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Official the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Secrets Bill.

upon the 7th day of this instant June, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; Imperial Defence [Expenses] [15th May.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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The

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[4th June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Supply.
[1st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Supply
[31st May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Bail (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day, at Two of the clock.

Distress for
Rent (Dublin)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Clerks of the
Peace Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of the Peace Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Companies
Clauses Con-
solidation Act
(1845) Amend-
ment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill.
(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Supreme Court
of Judicature
(Ireland) Act
(1877) Amend-
ment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.
(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans'
Nomination
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of May last, That the Suffragans' Nomination Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Accidents Insurance (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board Elections (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act (1875) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The

Torquay
Harbour
and District
Act (1886)
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Parliamentary
Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Parliamentary Voters Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Guardians of
the Poor
(Qualification)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Guardians of the Poor (Qualification) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

Sunday Closing
Acts (Ireland.)

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Sunday Closing Acts (Ireland)*, That they have Power, if they think fit, to consolidate the *Sale of Liquors on Sunday (Ireland) Act (1878) Amendment Bill*, and the *Public Houses (Ireland) (Saturday Closing) Bill*, into one Bill.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act
(1887) Amend-
ment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment Bill* be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

P. 1, l. 10, to leave out from "consent," to "notwithstanding," in l. 16, in order to insert "has been established by evidence satisfactory to the Court," the first Amendment, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto by inserting after the word "evidence," the words "by repute or otherwise."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment to the Lords' Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the said Lords' Amendment was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 22nd June, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Eastern and
Midlands
Railway
(Extensions)
Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Eastern and Midlands Railway (Extension) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Eastern and
Midlands Rail-
way (Further
Powers) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Eastern and Midlands Railway (Further Powers) Bill*.

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Powers) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Milford Docks Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The *London and Blackwall Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the *Vauxhall Park Bill* be read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the *Brixton Park Bill*, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Henley-on-Thames Gas Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Hinckley Local Board Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Wirral Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Llanelly Local Board Bill*, Standing Orders 84, 214, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next, provided that amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill* (Petition for Additional Provision), Standing Order 73 be suspended, and that the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

The *Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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Mr.

West Ham Corporation (Improvements) (Petition for additional Provision.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *West Ham Corporation (Improvements)* Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, inasmuch as the powers sought by the Clauses annexed to the said Petition are not included in the Notices for the Bill among the objects of the intended application to Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Imprisonment of a Member) (Mr. John Dillon.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received the following Letter relating to the imprisonment of a Member of this House:—

Dundalk,

June 20, 1888.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that Mr. John Dillon, M.P. for *East Mayo*, duly appealed to me, as County Court Judge and Chairman of Quarter Sessions, from two Orders of Conviction made, one on the 11th May 1888 and one on the 12th May 1888, whereby he was convicted under the first of said Orders of having with other persons unlawfully taken part in a Criminal Conspiracy, punishable by Law, to compel and induce certain persons, tenants of farms situate in divers parts of *Ireland*, not to fulfil their legal obligations, to wit, to refuse to pay to the owners of such farms the rents which they the said tenants were and might become lawfully bound to pay, and which the owners of said farms were and might become lawfully entitled to be paid; and, under the 2nd of said Orders, of inciting persons unlawfully to take part in a Criminal Conspiracy, stated in the same terms. Upon each of these convictions Orders were made that Mr. Dillon should be imprisoned for six months without hard labour, the sentences to run concurrently.

Mr. Dillon appeared in due course before me this day at the Quarter Sessions held at *Dundalk*, in the said county, when, upon hearing the evidence and what was advanced by Mr. Dillon in his defence, I affirmed the conviction and the sentence in each case.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. Kisbey,

County Court Judge of *Armagh and Louth*.

The Right Honourable
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifteenth Report.

Public Accounts (Artillery Position Finder.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Public Accounts (Artillery Position Finder), which was presented upon the 27th day of March last, be printed.

No. 235.

Queen's College (Galway.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, *Galway*, for the Academic Session 1887–88.

Registrars' Fees (Middlesex.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of May last, for a Return relative to Registrars' Fees (*Middlesex*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Marks Rules, 1888.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Trade Marks Rules, 1888, made by the Board of Trade, with Schedule of Fees under the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Act, 1883.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 18th, 19th, and 20th days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Law Agents Bill to amend the Law relating to Law Agents (*Scotland*) practising in *Scotland*: And that Mr. Caldwell, Mr. James Campbell, Mr. Mc Lagan, and Mr. Mackintosh do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Caldwell accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Law Agents practising in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 8 (Transfer to county council of powers of certain Government Departments and other authorities).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 5, l. 24, after the word "day," to insert the words "it shall be lawful for the Local Government Board to make from time to time a Provisional Order for transferring."

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted;

After Debate thereon:

Mr. Staveley Hill rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed:

Mr. Chaplin rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put."

Question put, "That the Question be now put"; The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Yeas,	Mr. Chaplin,	} 298.
		Mr. Llewellyn:	
Tellers for the	Noes,	Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 216.
		Mr. Marjoribanks:	

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Yeas,	Mr. Chaplin,	} 306.
		Mr. Llewellyn:	
Tellers for the	Noes,	Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 224.
		Mr. Marjoribanks:	

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 2, to leave out the words "or the Education Department."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 2, after the words "Education Department" to insert the words "Woods, Forests, and Land Revenue Commissioners."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 9, after the word "authority" to insert the words "or a school board, or other board, committee, or authority elected directly or indirectly to deal with

"with educational matters, or any body of trustees or governors, wholly elected, or partly elected and partly nominated, for the management of an endowed school."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 15, after the word "approved" to insert the words "by the county council to which the transfer is proposed to be made, and."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, after l. 25, to insert the words "provided further that nothing in this section, nor in any order made under this section, shall extend to transfer to a county council, or to render exercisable by a county council, any power, duty, or liability within or with respect to any borough not by this Act constituted a county of itself."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

And, it being ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bail (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Thames Tunnel (Blackwall) Bill, without Amendment.

West Surrey Water Bill. The Lords have agreed to the West Surrey Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Birmingham) Bill [Lords.] The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under "The Elementary Education Act, 1870," to enable the School Board for Birmingham to put in force "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," and the Acts amending the same; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Birmingham) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the National Debt (Supplemental) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that so much of Clause 13 as relates to the Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction Railway and Dock Company be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill, might be read; and the same being read:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. J. W. Lowther reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That, in the case of the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Longford, Southern Division, in the room of Lawrence Connolly, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenham, in the County of Buckingham.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, Church of Scotland," instead thereof.

And the Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 23rd June, 1888:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Baird, } 260.
Mr. Hozier :
Tellers for the Noes, { Dr. Cameron, } 208.
Mr. Esslemont :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And, it being One of the clock in the morning, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 25th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill.

Bridgewater Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional
Order Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Order com-
plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Ballymoney, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills
[Lords] (No
Standing
Orders
applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham's Estate Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

London City
Tithes (Saint
Botolph With-
out, Aldgate)
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London City Tithes (Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Hamilton
Water Bill
[Lords.]

The *Hamilton Water Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Midland Great
Western,
Dublin and
Meath, and
Navan and
Kingscourt
Railways
Bill [Lords.]

The *Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt Railways Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments, to

which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Vauxhall Park Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *South Lincolnshire Fen Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Brixton Park Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Llanelly Local Board Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Order 243 be suspended.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. John Blair Balfour, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Greenock Harbour Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Joynt's Divorce Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee on Divorce Bills, That they do hear Counsel and examine Witnesses for *Joynt's Divorce Bill*, and also that they do hear Counsel and examine Witnesses against the Bill, if the parties concerned think fit to be heard by Counsel and produce Witnesses.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings, together with the Documents deposited, in the case of *Joynt's Divorce Bill*: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Lincoln Corporation Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The *Mersey Railway (No. 2) Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Several

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifteenth
Report.

Navy (H.M.S. "Rodney," "Howe," "Camperdown," and "Anson.")

No. 237.

Turkey, No. 2 (1888.)

No. 238.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Navy (H.M.S. "Rodney," "Howe," "Camperdown," and "Anson," which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Turkey (No. 2, 1888), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed.

Army (Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.)

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of the Marks proposed for the Entrance Examination to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifteenth Annual Report of the Accountant for Scotland to the Scotch Education Department.

Education (Scotland.)
Prisons (Scotland.)

Copy of Instructions to Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools in Scotland.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules for Prisons in Scotland, settled and approved by the Secretary for Scotland, under "The Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877," and "The Secretary for Scotland Acts, 1885 and 1887."

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China.
Isle of Man.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft Supplemental Charter, for the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China.

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Duties of the Customs of the Isle of Man, and General Account of the Accumulated Fund for the year ended 31st March 1888; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Prisoners' Accommodation (England and Wales.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee on the Accommodation provided for Prisoners in the Police Courts of the Metropolis, and all Buildings in England and Wales, in which Courts of Summary Jurisdiction are held.

Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on the Adelaide Jubilee International Exhibition of 1887.

Adelaide Jubilee International Exhibition, 1887 (Royal Commission.)
Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Persons proceeded against, &c.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 31st day of May last, for a Return relative to the "Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887" (Persons proceeded against, &c.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Slave Trade (No. 1, 1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relative to the Slave Trade, 1887.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 374 and 376.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Report on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 96.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Patent appointing H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge Commander in Chief.

H.R.H. Duke of Cambridge (Patent.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Intoxicating a Return showing the Revenue derived from Licences on the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors and from the Inhabited House Duty respectively, for each County in England and Wales for the last Financial Year available.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences.)

Mr. J. W. Lowther reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Comptroller of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 18th day of this instant June, relative to the Death of the Emperor Frederick of Germany, had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

Death of the German Emperor (Answer to Address.)

I thank you sincerely for your loyal and dutiful Address of Sympathy and Condolence on the Occasion of the Death of My beloved Son-in-law, the Emperor Frederick of Germany.

I gratefully accept the Expression of your Sympathy with My Grandson, the present Emperor William the Second of Germany, with His Family and His People, at this melancholy Event, and I will not fail to communicate your Sentiments to His Majesty.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, giving additional Particulars with regard to the fourteen Cases included in the Return ordered by the House of Commons on the 24th day of April 1888.

Criminal Cases (Ireland) (Increase of Sentences on Appeal.) No. 236.

Mr. Arthur Balfour accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Tramways
Provisional
Orders (No. 3)
Bill [Provi-
sional Orders
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Newcastle-
upon-Tyne
(Saint Mary's
Hospital, &c.)
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Seafeld Dock
and Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the Seafeld Dock and Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Leeds White
Cloth Hall
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North British
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the North British Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Helston and
Porthleven
Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Helston and Porthleven Water Bill, without Amendment.

Bexley Heath
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bexley Heath Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Uckfield
Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Uckfield Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Newport (Mon-
mouthshire)
Corporation
Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

South Eastern
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the South Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Suffragans
Act Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Act of the twenty-sixth year of the reign of King Henry the Eighth, chapter fourteen, intituled, "An Act for Nomination and Consecration of Suffragans within this Realm"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Brighton
Marine Palace
and Pier Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to incorporate and to confer Powers upon the Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Brighton
Marine Palace
and Pier Bill
[Lords.]

The Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

National Debt
Supplemental
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the National Debt Supplemental Bill.

The said Amendments, being read a second time

(and it appearing that the Amendments were to [Special carry out the intentions of the Commons), were Entry.] agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the operation of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," and the manner of its administration, undermine the respect for Law, estrange the minds of the people of Ireland, and are deeply injurious to the interests of the United Kingdom:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £.2,366,400 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

Mr. Conybeare rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, [21st June.] as follows:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,410,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Supply and Repair of Warlike and other Stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 58,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Pay and Miscellaneous Expenses of the Chaplain's Department, which will come in course of Payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Pay of the Staff and Military Prisons and other Charges for the Administration of Military Law, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 956,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time; And

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the first Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 26th June, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Tithe Rent-Charge Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Imperial Defence [Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Criminal Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Official Secrets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant June, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Imperial Defence [Expenses] [15th May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

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Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Reformatory Schools Act (1866) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, that this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of July next.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Deacons (Church of England) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deacons (Church of England) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill [Lords.] <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Places of Worship Sites Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Municipal Rates Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Rates Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Factors Acts Consolidation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Herring Fishery (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.
Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Clubs Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legal Proceedings (Reports) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Advertisement Rating Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Quarries Regulation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases) Bill;	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Moveable Abodes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Coroners' Elections Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Buildings (Metropolis.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to restrict the Height of Buildings in the Metropolis: And that Mr. *Whitmore*, Mr. *Tatton Egerton*, Sir *Algernon Borthwick*, Mr. *Lawson*, and Mr. *Forrest Fulton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to suspend the Grant of new Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors: And that Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *W. F. Lawrence*, Colonel *Bridgeman*, Mr. *Hobhouse*, and Mr. *Samuel Smith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Perpetuity Leases (Ireland.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Lessees of Perpetuity and other Leases excluded from "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to purchase the Interests in their Holdings: And that Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Lea*, and Mr. *W. P. Sinclair* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Accounts. *Ordered*, That Mr. *Lane* be discharged from further attendance on the Committee of Public Accounts. *Ordered*, That Dr. *Tanner* be added to the said Committee.

Buildings (Metropolis) Bill. Mr. *Whitmore* presented a Bill to restrict the Height of Buildings in the Metropolis: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next; and to be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill. Sir *William Houldsworth* presented a Bill to suspend the Grant of new Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next; and to be printed.

Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill. Mr. *T. W. Russell* presented a Bill to enable the Lessees of Perpetuity and other Leases excluded from "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to purchase the Interests in their Holdings: And the same was read the first time; and

ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next; and to be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged. *Ordered*, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the County Courts (Ireland) Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Committee appointed by the Treasury to inquire into the system of conducting the Legal Business of the Government. *Legal Business of the Government. No. 239.*

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Approximate Amounts expended out of Votes of Parliament for Buildings, Furniture and Fittings, and Purchase of Sites in connection with existing Establishments of Science and Art. *Science and Art Department Buildings, &c. No. 240.*

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 26th June, 1888.

THE HOUSE met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Lambourn Valley Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Birmingham*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Stockton and Middlesbrough Corporations Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the

the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Henley-on-Thames Gas Bill [Lords.]

The *Henley-on-Thames* Gas Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Hinckley Local Board Water Bill [Lords.]

The *Hinckley* Local Board Water Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Wirral Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Wirral* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Channel Tunnel (Experimental Works) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Channel Tunnel* (Experimental Works) Bill be read a second time Tomorrow.

Aberpergwm Estate (Bridges) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Midland* Railway Bill, in the present Session, be referred to the Committee on the *Aberpergwm* Estate (Bridges) Bill.

United Telephone Company Bill.

The Order made upon the 18th day of this instant June, That the *United Telephone* Company Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant June, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Hampstead Heath Extension Bill.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders be suspended, and that leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The *Hampstead Heath* Enlargement Act, 1886:" And that Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* and Mr. *Burdett-Coutts* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the first time.

A Bill to amend "The *Hampstead Heath* Enlargement Act, 1886," was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Worcester and Broom Railway (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders be suspended, and that leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm an Agreement between the *Worcester* and *Broom* Railway Company, the *Evesham*, *Redditch*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Junction Railway Company, the *East* and *West* Junction Railway Company, and the *Stratford-upon-Avon*, *Towcester*, and *Midland* Junction Railway Company, for reducing the Interest on the Debentures, New Debenture Stock, and Preferred Half Shares of the *Evesham*, *Redditch*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Junction Railway Company, and to enable that Company to create additional Debenture Stock, and for other purposes: And that Colonel *Laurie* and Mr. *Hankey* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the first time.

A Bill to confirm an Agreement between the *Worcester* and *Broom* Railway Company, the *Evesham*, *Redditch*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Junction Railway Company, the *East* and *West* Junction Railway Company, and the *Stratford-upon-Avon*, *Towcester*, and *Midland* Junction Railway Company, for reducing the Interest on the Debentures, New Debenture Stock, and Preferred Half Shares of the *Evesham*, *Redditch*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Junction Railway Company, and to enable that Company to create additional Debenture Stock and for other purposes, was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The *Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland)* Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill.

The *Gas* Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The *Local Government* Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill.

The *Local Government* Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

The *Local Government* Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

The *Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Ballymoney, &c.)* Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Ballymoney, &c.) Bill [Lords.]

Public Petitions. Vide Fifteenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Registrars' Fees (*Middlesex*), which was presented upon the 22nd day of this instant June, be printed.

Registrars' Fees (Middlesex.) No. 242.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the *Isle of Man*, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Isle of Man. No. 243.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887* (Persons proceeded against, &c.), which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Persons proceeded against, &c.) No. 241.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Army (Royal Military Academy, Woolwich)*, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Army (Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.) No. 244.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—List of Exceptions to the *Army Regulations* as to Pay, Non-Effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned during the year ending 31st March 1888 by the Secretary of State for War, with the approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, pursuant to Royal Warrant of 27th October 1884.

Army (Pay, Non-Effective Pay, and Allowances.)

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Contagious Diseases (Admissions to Hospitals.)	Mr. Secretary Stanhope also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty dated the 21st day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Contagious Diseases (Admissions to Hospitals.) <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.	That, in the case of the <i>West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill</i> , Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill think fit. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.	West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill.
East India (Railways.)	Sir John Gorst presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Administration Report on Railways in <i>India</i> , for the year 1887-88, by Lieut.-Col. Conway-Gordon, R.E., Director General of Railways in <i>India</i> . <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.	Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth: The Lords have agreed to the Customs (Wine Duty) Bill, without Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, without Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, without Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 6) Bill, without Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Midland Great Western, <i>Dublin</i> and <i>Meath</i> , and <i>Navan</i> and <i>Kingscourt</i> Railways Bill, without Amendment.	Customs (Wine Duty) Bill. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill. Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) (No. 6) Bill. Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill. Midland Great Western, <i>Dublin</i> and <i>Meath</i> , and <i>Navan</i> and <i>Kingscourt</i> Railways Bill [Lords]
Colonial Possessions (Newfoundland.)	Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1886 (No. 14, <i>Newfoundland</i>). Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 15, <i>Grenada</i>). <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.		
Colonial Possessions (Grenada.)			
Trade Reports (Annual Series.)	Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance (No. 377). <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.		
Fishery Board (Scotland.)	The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for <i>Scotland</i> , for the year 1887, in Three Parts. Part I. General Report. Part II. Report on Salmon Fisheries. Part III. Scientific Investigations.		
East India (Mr. W. Tayler, of Patna) (Further Correspondence.)	<i>Resolved</i> , That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the following Papers, relating to the Case of Mr. W. Tayler, of Patna:— 1. Letter from Mr. Tayler to the Government of <i>Bengal</i> , dated the 14th day of September 1858, with Reply from the Government of <i>Bengal</i> , dated the 23rd day of September 1858, No. 3680; 2. Letter from Mr. Tayler to the Government of <i>Bengal</i> , dated the 27th day of September 1858; 3. Letter from Mr. Tayler to the Government of <i>Bengal</i> , dated the 28th day of September 1858, with Reply from the Government of <i>Bengal</i> , dated the 4th day of October 1858, No. 3843; 4. Letter from the Government of <i>Bengal</i> to Mr. Tayler, dated the 1st day of October 1858; 5. Letter from Mr. Tayler to the Government of <i>India</i> , dated the 10th day of October 1858; 6. Letter from Mr. Tayler to the Government of <i>Bengal</i> , dated the 11th day of January 1859; 7. Letter from the Government of <i>Bengal</i> to Mr. Tayler, dated the 26th day of January 1859; 8. Letter from Mr. Tayler to the Government of <i>Bengal</i> , dated the 25th day of May 1859.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>Cork and Bandon Railway Bill</i> , with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Administration and Endowment of the Universities of <i>Scotland</i> ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion relating to "The Criminal Law and Procedure (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1887," have precedence this day of the Notices of Motion and other Orders of the Day. <i>Ordered</i> , That the proceedings on the Motion relating to "The Criminal Law and Procedure (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1887," if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House." The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 25th day of this instant June, That, in the opinion of this House, the operation of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1887," and the manner of its administration, undermine respect for Law, estrange the minds of the people of <i>Ireland</i> , and are deeply injurious to the interests of the United Kingdom; And the Question being again proposed:— The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning; Wednesday, 27th June, 1888: And the Question being put; The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 273. { Mr. Marjoribanks: } Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 366. { Colonel Walrond: } So it passed in the Negative. s s 4	Universities (Scotland) Bill [Lords]. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. Sittings of the House, Suspension of the Standing Order.
Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill was read the first time. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed. Bill 308.		
Standing Orders.	Sir John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth: VOL. 143.		

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant June, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill, that they have power to extend the scope of the Bill, so as to include Marriages between a Woman and her Deceased Husband's Brother;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tenure of Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burials Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Meetings in Schools) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of July next.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of May last, That the Suffragans Nomination Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Places of Worship (Sites) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Sites) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;

Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill;

Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill;

Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill;

Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Coroners' Elections Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Parliamentary Voters Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts (Ireland) Bill;

County Courts (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means;

Ways and Means. [25th June.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for Supply resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 25th day of this instant June, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the first Resolution (Warlike and other Stores), reported from the Committee of Supply.

[21st June.]

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Bail (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill;

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

The

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 27th June, 1888.

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North British
Railway
(Bridgeton
Cross Extension)
Bill
[Lords.]

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the *North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Chesham,
Boxmoor, and
Hemel Hemp-
sted Steam
Tramways Bill
[Lords.]

The *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempsted Steam Tramways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

East and West
Yorkshire
Union Rail-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

The *East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Channel
Tunnel (Ex-
perimental
Works) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Channel Tunnel (Experimental Works) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, after the Provisional Order Bills.

Aberpergwm
Estate
(Bridges) Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Powell Duffryn Steam Coal Company Bill*, in Session 1872, be referred to the Committee on the *Aberpergwm Estate (Bridges) Bill*.

Pier and
Harbour
Provisional
Orders (No. 2)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Tramways
Provisional
Orders (No. 3)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary
Education
Provisional
Order
Confirmation
(Birmingham)
Bill [Lords.]

The *Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Birmingham) Bill* was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Channel
Tunnel
(Experimental
Works) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Channel Tunnel (Experimental Works) Bill*;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Summers,

Yeas, Mr. Slagg;

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Noes, Colonel Walrond;

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So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day three months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day three months.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Sixteenth
Report.

The *Libel Law Amendment Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Libel Law
Amendment
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee on the *Oaths Bill*.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Affirmation may be made instead of oath).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words "upon objecting to be sworn," in order to insert the words "who shall declare that he entertains conscientious objections to the taking of an oath."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

And, it being half after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Partnership Bill*;

Partnership
Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill*.

Supreme Court
of Judicature
(Ireland) Act
(1877) Amend-
ment Bill.
Bill 309.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 3 and N° 4, disagreed to.

A Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday the 2nd day of July next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill*;

Liquor Traffic
Local Veto
(Scotland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill*;

Access to
Mountains
(Scotland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the

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the 3rd day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishing in Rivers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Short Title.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 30th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Licensing Laws Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Laws Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of March last, That the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

Life Leases Conversion Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Life Leases Conversion Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Borough Funds (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next.

University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.

Trees (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next.

Jurors' Detention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Detention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poinding Second Reading of the Poinding (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Rating of Second Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Glebe Lands Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Whipping Second Reading of the Whipping Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Moveable Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Agricultural Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors Second Reading of the Solicitors' Annual Certificate (Duty Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal certain Statutes relating to Master and Servants, in particular Manufactures, which have ceased to be put in force, or have become unnecessary: And that Mr. Howell, Sir Henry James, Mr. Mundella, Mr. William Hunter, Mr. T. M. Healy, Mr. Hoyle, and Mr. Fenwick do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. J. W. Lowther reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the Provisional Order relating to the District of Crumpsall ought not to be confirmed; that the other Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Mr. J. W. Lowther further reported from the Committee; That they had amended the Title, as followeth:

A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of Devonport, Okehampton, Ramsgate, and

and *Sandwich*, the Local Government District of *Royston*, and the *Richmond* Main Sewerage District.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Private Bills
(Group E.)

Mr. *J. W. Lowther* reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That the Parties opposing the *Preston Corporation Bill* had stated that the evidence of *James Abernethy* was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *James Abernethy*, 4, *Delahay Street*, *Westminster*, do attend the said Committee upon Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *James Abernethy* do attend the Committee on Group E of Private Bills, upon Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Mines (Limita-
tion of Hours)
Bill.

Ordered, That the Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

Statute Law
Revision
(Master and
Servant) Bill.
Bill 310.

Mr. *Howell* presented a Bill to repeal certain Statutes relating to Master and Servants, in particular Manufactures, which have ceased to be put in force or have become unnecessary: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 28th June, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders not
complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, viz.:

Shropshire Railways Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Newport
(Monmouth-
shire) Corpora-
tion Water
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

South Eastern
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *South Eastern Railway Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House

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hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Uckfield Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The *Leeds White Cloth Hall Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House have agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The *Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The *South Lincolnshire Fen Water Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Vauxhall Park Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time after the Provisional Order Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Seafeld Dock and Railway Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Brixton Park Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration after the Provisional Order Bills.

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The *Vauxhall Park Bill* was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Brixton Park Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Approval of Ratepayers) was offered to be added to the Bill; and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being

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being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the } Mr. Broadhurst, } 94.

Yeas, } Mr. Bristowe: }

Tellers for the } Marquis of Carmarthen, } 172.

Noes, } Mr. Gent-Davis: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Worcester and Broom Railway (No. 2) Bill. The Order made upon the 26th day of this instant June, That the Worcester and Broom Railway (No. 2) Bill be read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixteenth Report.

Education (Ireland.) Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland, for the year 1887-88.

Metropolitan Cattle Market. Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract of Accounts for 1887 of the Corporation of the City of London, in respect of the Metropolitan Cattle Market.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India (Mr. W. Tayler, of Patna) (Further Correspondence.) Sir John Gorst presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to East India (Mr. W. Tayler, of Patna) (Further Correspondence).

East India (Loans, &c. Raised in India.) Sir John Gorst also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in India chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 31st March 1888, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the Termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.) Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 375, 378, and 379.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills (West Ham Corporation Improvement Bill.) Mr. Hastings reported from the Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That the parties opposing the West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill had stated that the evidence of William Henry Savage was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said William Henry Savage do attend the said Committee upon Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That William Henry Savage do attend the Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills upon Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing,—

1. Boroughs with a Population of 50,000 and upwards;
2. Boroughs with a Population between 50,000 and 10,000;
3. Boroughs with a Population under 10,000; Distinguishing in each case the Boroughs which have a separate Court of Quarter Sessions;
4. Boroughs which are Counties of Cities or Counties of Towns (a) with a Population above 10,000; (b) with a Population below 10,000; For the purposes of Parts 1, 2, 3, and 4, the Population is to be taken as the Population according to the Census of 1881, and the Population is to be shown in each case;
5. Boroughs, with or without separate Quarter Sessions, which have separate Commissions of the Peace;
6. Boroughs appointing their own Sheriff; and
7. Boroughs not having separate Police Establishments.

A Message was delivered by Sir James Drummond, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod: Royal Assent.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Customs (Wine Duty) Act, 1888.
2. Westminster Abbey Act, 1888.
3. Electric Lighting Act, 1888.
4. National Debt (Supplemental) Act, 1888.
5. Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1888.
6. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (Bangor and Warrenpoint) Act, 1888.
7. Metropolitan Commons (Farnborough, &c.) Supplemental Act, 1888.
8. Metropolis (Whitechapel and Limehouse) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1888.
9. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1888.
10. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1888.
11. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) Act, 1888.
12. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 2) Act, 1888.
13. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 3) Act, 1888.
14. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 4) Act, 1888.
15. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 5) Act, 1888.
16. Metropolitan Commons (Chislehurst and St. Paul's Cray) Supplemental Act, 1888.
17. Denny and Dunipace Water Supply Confirmation Act, 1888.

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18. Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1888.
19. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1888.
20. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1888.
21. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 6) Act, 1888.
22. Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1888.
23. *Holworthy and Bude* Railway Act, 1888.
24. *Glasgow* Corporation Act, 1888.
25. *Barnstaple* Waterworks Act, 1888.
26. *Brecon and Merthyr* Railway Act, 1888.
27. *Folkestone* Waterworks Act, 1888.
28. *Keswick* Gas Act, 1888.
29. *Folkestone, Sandgate, and Hythe* Tramways Act, 1888.
30. *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire* Railway (Capital Powers) Act, 1888.
31. *Scarborough, Bridlington, and West Riding Junction* Railways Act, 1888.
32. *Harrow and Stanmore* Railway Act, 1888.
33. *Ayr and District* Tramways (Abandonment) Act, 1888.
34. *City of London* Fire Inquests Act, 1888.
35. *Chatham and Brompton* Tramways (Abandonment) Act, 1888.
36. *Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow* Act, 1888.
37. *Halifax* Corporation Waterworks Act, 1888.
38. *Southampton Street* Tramways (Extensions) Act, 1888.
39. *Barking* Parish Act, 1888.
40. *Forth Bridge* Railway Act, 1888.
41. *James Lewis & Sons, Liverpool* Copper Wharf Company, Limited (Delivery Warrants), Act, 1888.
42. *Plymouth and Dartmoor* Railway (South Hams Extension) Act, 1888.
43. *Porthdinlleyn* Railway Act, 1888.
44. *London, Chatham, and Dover* Railway Act, 1888.
45. *Thames Tunnel (Blackwall)* Act, 1888.
46. *Helston and Porthleven* Water Act, 1888.
47. *Riddings* District Gas Act, 1888.
48. *Bexley Heath* Railway Act, 1888.
49. *Eastern and Midlands* Railway (Extensions) Act, 1888.
50. *Eastern and Midlands* Railway (Further Powers) Act, 1888.
51. *Milford Docks* Act, 1888.
52. *London and Blackwall* Railway Act, 1888.
53. *Saint Botolph Without, Aldgate*, Tithe Rate Act, 1888.
54. *Hamilton* Water Act, 1888.
55. *Midland Great Western, Dublin and Meath, and Navan and Kingscourt* Railways (Purchase) Act, 1888.

Aberpergwm
Estate
(Bridges) Bill
[Lords.]

Sligo (South
Sligo Division)
Writ.

Liverpool
Overhead
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. *J. W. Lowther* reported the *Aberpergwm* Estate (Bridges) Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Sligo*, Southern Division, in the room of *Edward Joseph Kennedy*, who since his election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough* and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

Mr. *Courtney* reported the *Liverpool* Overhead Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords. one of their Clerks, as followeth:

That the Lords do communicate Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings in the House of Lords on the Second Reading of *Joynt's* Divorce Bill, together with the Documents deposited in the case, as desired by this House, with a request that the same may be returned.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the construction of Railways from the *Dalmarnock* Branch of the *Caledonian* Railway to *Maryhill*, with Branches to the Railway Depôts at *Stobcross*, and other Works in connection therewith; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The *Glasgow* Central Railway Bill was read the first time.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of this instant June, That the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) be now read a third time;

And the Question being put:—it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with a New Title as followeth:

A Bill to apply the Sum of Five Million five hundred and seventy thousand seven hundred and twelve pounds out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March One thousand eight hundred and eighty nine.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 25th day of this instant June, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution, reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was as followeth:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,410,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Supply and Repair of Warlike and other Stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, as followeth:

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 58,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Pay and Miscellaneous Expenses of the Chaplain's Department, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Pay of the Staff of Military Prisons and other Charges for the Administration of Military Law, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 956,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

The second and third Resolutions were postponed; and the fourth Resolution was agreed to.

Ordered, That the postponed Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

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Mr.

Ways and Means.
[25th June.]

Consolidated Fund.

Consolidated Fund (No. 3.)

Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £.2,366,400, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution being read a second time was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Jackson, do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented a Bill, to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty nine: And the same was read a first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 8 (Transfer to county council of powers of certain Government Departments and other Authorities).

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided that, in the constitution of any such joint committee the number of county aldermen appointed to serve thereon shall in no case be more in proportion to the number of councillors so appointed than the number of aldermen in the whole council bears to the councillors."

Question, That those words be there added — put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 9 (Powers as to closing public-houses on special days).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Sir Wilfrid Lawson, } 213.
Yeas, (Mr. Theodore Fry:

Tellers for the (Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 275.
Noes, (Colonel Walrond:

CLAUSE, N° 10 (Transfer to county council of licensing powers as respects intoxicating liquors).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Storey, } 175.
Yeas, (Mr. Illingworth:

Tellers for the (Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 252.
Noes, (Colonel Walrond:

CLAUSES, N° 11 to N° 14, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 15 (Entire maintenance of main roads by county council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 7, after the words "eighteen hundred and seventy eight," to insert the words "including any public footpath by the side of such road."

Question, That those words be there inserted, — put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 12, l. 7, after the word "shall" to insert the words "after the 1st day of April 1890."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

And, it being midnight, the Chairman left the Chair, to report Progress.

Friday, 29th June, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill; Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration]; Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill; Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill; East India Officers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Instruction Bill; Technical Instruction Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill; Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill; Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses]; Imperial Defence [Expenses.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill; National Defence Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 5th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill; Criminal Evidence Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 2nd day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill (changed from "County Courts Consolidation Bill") [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The

Official Secrets
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant June, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[15th May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[4th June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

Supply
[1st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Supply
[31st May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Merchant
Shipping (Life
Saving Appli-
ances) Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Bail (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Clerks of the
Peace Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of the Peace Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 19th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishing in
Rivers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 4th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Charities Res-
titution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Liquor Traffic
Local Option
(England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of July next.

Copyholds Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill; Turbary (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Place of Worship (Sites) Bill; Places of Worship (Sites) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill; Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill; Agricultural Tenants' Improvement Protection Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill; Coroners' Elections Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill; Parliamentary Voters Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Life Leases Conversion Bill; Life Leases Conversion Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill; Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Parliamentary and Municipal Elections Registration Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of July next. Parliamentary and Municipal Elections Registration Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill, was read, and discharged. Preferential Payment of Wages Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 29th June, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Commons Regulation Provisional Order (Therfield Heath) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

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Mr.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders not
previously
inquired into
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Cork and
Bandon Rail-
way Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Cork and Bandon Railway Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ulster Canal
and Tyrone
Navigation Bill.
[Lords.]

Ordered, That the Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Local Govern-
ment Pro-
visional Orders
(No. 5) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixteenth
Report.

Contagious
Diseases
(Admissions to
Hospitals.)
No. 245.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Contagious Diseases (Admissions to Hospitals), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant June, be printed.

East India
(Loans, &c.
Raised in
India.)
No. 246.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to East India (Loans, &c. raised in India), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant June, be printed.

East India (Mr.
W. Tayler, of
Patna)
(Further Cor-
respondence.)
No. 247.

Ordered, That the Return relative to East India (Mr. W. Tayler, of Patna) (Further Correspondence), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant June, be printed.

Colonial
Possessions
(Jamaica and
Turk's Islands.)

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 13, *Jamaica and Turk's Islands*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

H.R.H. Duke
of Cambridge
(Patent.)

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to H.R.H. Duke of Cambridge (Patent).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Turkey (No. 1,
1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of *Bulgaria* and *Eastern Roumelia*.

Foreign
Museums
(Opening on
Sunday) (Com-
mercial, No. 10,
1888.)

Sir James Fergusson also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of April last, for a Return relative to Foreign Museums (Opening on Sunday) (Commercial No. 10, 1888).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Crown's Nomi-
nee Account.

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract Accounts of the Receipts and Payments of the

Treasury Solicitor in the year ended 31st December 1887, in the Administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown under the authority of the Treasury Solicitor Act, 1876; and Lists.

Finance Accounts of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland* for the Financial Year 1887-88, ended 31st March 1888.

The Sixty-sixth Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Schedule of Classes of Documents which formerly were, or ought to have been, in the Offices of the King's or Queen's Remembrancer, and of the Clerk of the Pipe or other Offices of the Court of Exchequer, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the Applications to, and Proceedings of, the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, during the past year.

Copy of Certificate of the Board of Trade, authorising the Nottingham Suburban Railway Company to construct a Deviation Railway, and Report by the Board of Trade on the Application made therefor during the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

*Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of Alphabetical List of Estates which fell to the Crown as *Ultimus Haeres* in Scotland, administered by the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, *virtute officii*, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1887.*

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on High Sheriffs, with Proceedings of the Committee, and Minutes of Evidence: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 21st, 22nd, 25th, and 26th days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Legitim in Scotland: And that Mr. Donald Crawford, Mr. John Balfour, and Mr. Buchanan do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Donald Crawford accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law of Legitim in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of July next; and to be printed.

The

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 15 (Entire maintenance of main roads by County Council).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 12, l. 7, after the word "shall," to insert the words "after the first day of April One thousand eight hundred and ninety."

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 7, after the word "shall," to insert the words "save as to any part thereof situate in a borough."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 8, before the word "Council" to insert the word "district."

Question proposed, That the word "district" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 8, after the word "situate," to insert the words "and no tolls, commonly called turnpike tolls, shall be collected in *South Wales*."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 8, after the word "situate," to insert the words "but such main road shall not be deemed to include any footpath or pavement by the side of such road, nor shall the County Council be required to maintain or repair a road further or otherwise than is necessary for maintaining the same in a condition fit for the conveyance of the through traffic."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 26, after the word "repair," to insert the words "improvement or enlargement."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 26, after the word "road," to insert the words "to the extent of three-fourths of such cost, but otherwise."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, after l. 8, to insert the words "(7) Notwithstanding anything in 'The Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878,' contained, a County Council may at any time declare that any road now being or hereafter to become a main road has ceased to be a main road and has become an ordinary highway, and section sixteen of the said Act shall apply to such road accordingly."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "the provisions of this Clause shall not apply to the City of *London*."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause to add the words "Provided that, in construing that section, it shall be deemed to apply to all counties, and that 'hundred' shall include 'wapentake;' and any hundred or

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"wapentake charged with the expense of the maintenance and repair of all the main roads situate therein shall be relieved from the cost of contributing to the maintenance and repair of any main road, or part thereof, situate in any other hundred, or in any other such district."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 16 (Power to County Council to enforce provisions of Rivers Pollution Prevention Act, 1876).

Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 15, to leave out the words "so much of."

Question proposed, That the words "so much of" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 17 (Power of County Council to make bye-laws).

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July next, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of July next.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Copyright (Musical Compositions) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Municipal Private Bills do examine the Municipal Boundaries (Dublin) Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "having regard to the special circumstances of *Wales*, and the prevailing agricultural depression, and their effect upon the welfare of the *Welsh* people, this House is of opinion that Her Majesty's Government should pay immediate attention to the subject, and take steps to provide a measure of relief which shall secure fairer conditions of tenure and a re-adjustment of rent, more equitably corresponding to the fall in prices, and make such other provisions as will enable the cultivation of the soil."

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"tors of the soil to meet the trying circumstances
"in which they are placed."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 146.
Yeas. { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Thomas Ellis, } 128.
Noes, { Mr. Stewart Rendel: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being One of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned till Monday next, and Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 2nd July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Orders com-
plied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Aberpergwm
Estate
(Bridges) Bill
[Lords.]

The Aberpergwm Estate (Bridges) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Brixton Park
Bill.

The Brixton Park Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North British
Railway
(Bridgeton
Cross Ex-
tension) Bill
[Lords.]

The North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Seaford Dock
and Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The Seaford Dock and Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Newcastle-
upon-Tyne
(Saint Mary's
Hospital, &c.)
Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ulster Canal
and Tyrone
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration after the Provisional Order Bill.

The Aire and Calder Navigation Bill was read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee to consist of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions relating to the rating of the Navigation or other Property of the Undertakers presented against the Bill within the time limited by the Standing Orders, be referred to the Committee, and that such of the Petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their counsel, agents, or witnesses, be heard on their Petitions, if they think fit, and Counsel be heard in favour of the Bill against such Petitioners.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to inquire, if they think fit, into the present mode of rating the Aire and Calder Navigation Undertaking and Property to all poor rates and other local rates, and whether it may be necessary or expedient to modify or alter the Undertakers' rights or privileges with respect thereto under any of their Local Acts or otherwise, and to make provision in the Bill for the same accordingly.

The Bridgewater Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Hampstead Heath Extension Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Lambourn Valley Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Commons Regulation Provisional Order (Therfield Heath) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned:—It passed in the Negative.

And the original Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, inasmuch as this Bill has been fully considered by a Select Committee, this House declines to entertain Amendments which ought to have been brought before the Committee, and that the Bill be ordered to be read a third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Colonel Saunderson rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put":

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That, inasmuch as this Bill has been fully considered by a Select Committee, this House declines to entertain Amendments which ought to have been brought before the Committee,

Aire and Calder
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]

Bridgewater
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

Earl of Win-
chelsea and
Nottingham's
Estate Bill
[Lords.]

Hampstead
Heath Exten-
sion Bill.

Lambourn
Valley Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Commons
Regulation
Provisional
Order [Ther-
field Heath]
Bill.

Ulster Canal
and Tyrone
Navigation
Bill [Lords.]

Question put
(pursuant to
S. O. Closure
of Debate.)

mittee, and that the Bill be ordered to be read a third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixteenth Report.

Crown's Nominee Account. *Ordered*, That the Crown's Nominee Account, which was presented upon the 29th day of June last, be printed.

Finance Accounts. *Ordered*, That the Finance Accounts, which were presented upon the 29th day of June last, be printed.

Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues. *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, which was presented upon the 29th day of June last, be printed.

Electric Lighting Act, 1882 (Proceedings.) *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to the Electric Lighting Act, 1882 (Proceedings), which was presented upon the 29th day of June last, be printed.

Army (Medical Department.) Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Army Medical Department for the year 1886. Vol. XXVIII.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Australasia (Chinese Immigrants.) Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to Chinese Immigration into the Australasian Colonies, with a Return of Acts passed by the Legislature of those Colonies on the subject.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Explosions (Saint Helen's Colliery.) Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department upon the Saint Helen's Colliery Explosion, by Robert Woodfall, Esquire.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882. No. 253. The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the Management of the Endowment known as Lord Cullen's Trust, in the Parish of Monymusk, and County of Aberdeen. Approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Egypt (No. 6, 1888.) Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Despatch from Sir E. Baring, inclosing a Report on the condition of the Agricultural Population in Egypt.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

National Gallery. No. 254. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Copy of the Annual Report of the Director of the National Gallery to the Treasury for the year 1887.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Belfast Union. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Requisition Forms (directed to be served upon Inhabitant Householders by the Third Sub-section of Section 9 Vol. 143.

of "The Representation of the People Act, 1884") sent in to the Clerk of the Belfast Union, with the words "Occupied in Immediate Succession" stamped thereon, showing the Name and Address or Addresses of the Person or Persons named therein in each Case.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Accounts of the Metropolitan Water Companies for the year ending the 31st day of December 1887 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 193, of Session (2) 1880, and Parliamentary Paper, No. 129, of Session 1882):

—And, of the Area in Square Miles and portions thereof supplied by each Company, together with an Estimate of the Daily Waste in Gallons, Waste being understood to mean that portion of the Water Supply which is not consumed by Domestic Requirements, nor Trade purposes, Street watering, Gardens, &c., but which arises from Defective Mains or Service Pipes, inefficient Plumbing, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in respect of the Metropolitan Water Companies, the Maximum Number of Houses or other Buildings supplied with Water by the Company in the years 1883 and 1887 respectively, and the Total Amount of the Rates, Rentals, and any other Charges received for the supply of Water to Houses or other Buildings, excluding Garden Supplies, during the Financial Year ending in September or December (according to the Date to which the Annual Accounts of the Company were made up), in the years 1883 and 1887, respectively:—Showing, in respect of each of the Metropolitan Water Companies, as regards each Financial Half-year subsequent to September or December 1883 (according to the Dates to which the Accounts of the Companies were made up);

1. The Total Amount paid by the Company by way of Dividend;
2. The Rate *per Cent. per annum* of the Dividend paid;
3. The Amount of "Share Capital" (within the meaning of Section 39 of "The Metropolitan Water Act, 1871," and including Loan Capital converted into Share Capital) paid-up during the Half-year, in respect of Capital taken up during such Half-year or previously by Corporations or Persons who, when such Share Capital was taken up, were Shareholders of the Company;
4. Whether such Share Capital was taken up at Par, and, if not, at what price *per £. 100*;
5. The Amount of "Loan Capital" within the meaning of Section 39 of "The Metropolitan Water Act, 1871," paid-up during the Half-year in respect of Loan Capital taken up during such Half-year or previously by Corporations or Persons who, when such Loan Capital was taken up, were Shareholders of the Company;
6. The Rate *per Cent. per annum* payable on such Loan Capital;
7. Whether such Loan Capital was taken up at Par, and, if not, at what price *per £. 100*;
8. The Amount of Bonuses or other Payments made to Shareholders, excluding Dividends, but including, in the case of the *New River Company*, any payments in respect of the Landed Estate, Houses, or Property of that Company not directly used for or connected with their Water Supply;

—And, showing (a.) The Amount of Share and Loan Capital respectively of each Company

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at the end of the Financial Half-year next after September or December 1883 (according to the Date to which the Accounts of the Company were made up); (b.) The Amount of such Share and Loan Capital at the end of the last Financial Half-year to which the Accounts of the Company have been made up and audited; and (c.) The Value of the Share and Loan Capital of each Company according to the Stock Exchange List, on or about the 31st day of December in the years 1883 and 1887 respectively (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 136, of Session 1885).

East India
(Mr. William
Tayler, Patna
Riots.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Letter from the Registrar of the Nizamut Adawlut to the Secretary of the Government of Bengal, No. 351, dated the 29th day of June 1859, containing the judgment of the Court in the cases of certain Prisoners sentenced to Imprisonment by Mr. Tayler, in connection with the Riots at Patna on the 3rd day of July 1887.

Falkirk and
District Water
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. J. W. Lowther reported from the Committee on the *Falkirk and District Water Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by omitting certain words in order to make the Preamble consistent with the provisions of the Bill, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Local Govern-
ment (Ireland)
Provisional
Order (Dublin
Markets) Bill
[Provisional
Order
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (Dublin Markets) Bill*; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Govern-
ment (Ireland)
Provisional
Orders (Coleraine,
&c.) Bill [Lords]
[Provisional
Order
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Coleraine, &c.) Bill*; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Worcester and
Broom Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Worcester and Broom Railway Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board relating to the Bill had been laid before the Committee, but it appeared that the Bill had been previously amended in accordance with that Report.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lincoln Cor-
poration Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Lincoln Corporation Bill*; That a Report from the Local Government Board relative to the Bill had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them; but the recommendations therein contained having been substantially adopted by the Committee to whom the Bill was referred in

the House of Lords, the Committee have not thought it necessary to make any Amendments in the Bill as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Greenock Harbour Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Courtney reported the *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Manchester Ship Canal Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by the Lords.

one of their Clerks, as followeth:—
The Lords communicate Copy of Report, &c. from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament on High Sheriffs, as desired by this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Local Government Provisional Orders (Highways) Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Local Government Provisional Order (Port) Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *London Street Tramways Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Belfast Street Tramways Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Hinckley Local Board Water Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Wirral Railway Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *South Lincolnshire Fen Water Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Aberdeen District Tramways Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The

Frodsham Gas and Water Bill.

Suffragans Nomination Bill [Lords.]

Business of the House (Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.)

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

Bann Drainage.

Barrow Drainage.

Shannon Drainage.

Bann Drainage Bill.

Bill 312.

Barrow Drainage Bill.

Bill 313.

Shannon Drainage Bill.

Bill 314.

The Lords have agreed to the *Frodsham Gas and Water Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision for the Nomination of Bishops Suffragans; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That whenever the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill is appointed for a Tuesday it shall have priority over all Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion, and that so much of the Order for Morning Sittings of the 7th of June as relates to Tuesday be rescinded;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 251.
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Dillwyn*, } 131.
Noes, { Mr. *Bowen Rowlands* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the Drainage of Lands, and for the prevention of Inundations within the Catchment Area of *Lough Neagh* and the *Lower Bann*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. *Arthur Balfour* and Mr. Solicitor General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the Drainage of Lands, and for the prevention of Inundations within the Catchment Area of the River *Barrow*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. *Arthur Balfour* and Mr. Solicitor General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the Drainage of Lands, and for the prevention of Inundations within the Catchment Area of the River *Shannon*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. *Arthur Balfour* and Mr. Solicitor General for *Ireland* do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. *Arthur Balfour* presented a Bill for the Improvement of the Drainage of Lands, and for the prevention of Inundations within the Catchment Area of *Lough Neagh* and the *Lower Bann*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. *Arthur Balfour* presented a Bill for the Improvement of the Drainage of Lands, and for the prevention of Inundations within the Catchment Area of the River *Barrow*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. *Arthur Balfour* presented a Bill for the Improvement of the Drainage of Lands, and for the prevention of Inundations within the Catchment Area of the River *Shannon*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to Supply take into consideration the second and third of [21st June.] the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolutions were upon the 28th day of June last postponed; and the same were again read, as follow:—

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 58,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Pay and Miscellaneous Expenses of the Chaplain's Department, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Pay of the Staff of Military Prisons and other Charges for the Administration of Military Law, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Second Resolution;

Mr. Speaker, having called the attention of the House to the continued irrelevance on the part of Dr. *Tanner*, Member for *Mid Cork*, directed the honourable Member to discontinue his speech.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 196.
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond* :

Tellers for the { Dr. *Tanner*, } 63.
Noes, { Mr. *O'Hea* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 3rd July, 1888 :

Ordered, That the Third Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply; [31st May.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply; [1st June.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (*Scotland*) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-charge Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-charge Recovery and Variation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 12th day of this instant July.

Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Criminal Evidence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Official Secrets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of June last, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Bail (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of June last, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee of Ways and Means);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland) (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland) (1877) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Rates (Metropolis) Bill; Poor Rates (Metropolis) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Wages Bill; Weekly Wages Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Firms Bill; Registration of Firms Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill; School Board for London Election Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill; London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill; Factors Acts Consolidation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill; Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Wales) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill; Advertisement Rating Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill; Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill; Quarries Regulation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill; Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill; Law of Distress Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory Acts Amendment Bill; Factory Acts Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The

Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intermediate Education (Wales) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	till Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.
Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employers' Liability Act (1880) Amendment (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of this instant July.
Buildings Metropolis Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buildings (Metropolis) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read for the Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant July.
Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the School Board Elections (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of this instant July.
Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Law Agents (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Suffragans' Nomination Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of May last, That the Suffragans' Nomination Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July.	The Order of the day being read, for the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
County Courts (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Agricultural Holdings Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Charities Restitution Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Burials Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Office under the Crown (Vacating of Seats) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of May last, That the Office under the Crown (Vacating of Seats) Bill, be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned	The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
	Vol. 143.	The Order of the day being read, for the Moveable Abodes Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Places of
Worship Sites
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant July.

Parliamentary
Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant July.

Public
Income and
Expenditure.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Public Income and Expenditure for the year ending the 31st day of March 1888 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 301, of Session 1887).

Horse and
Cattle Breeding
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return from the Royal Dublin Society giving the Names of Members of each Local Committee, of the Owners of selected Stallions, the Number of Owners, the District set apart for each Stallion, the Number of selected Bulls, with their respective breeds, the District set apart for each Bull, with Copies of printed Conditions issued by the Royal Dublin Society governing the Award of Premiums.

Corn Averages.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Corn Averages do consist of Seventeen Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Michael Hicks Beach, Mr. John Talbot, Mr. Stanley Leighton, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Gray, Colonel Eyre, Mr. Elton, Mr. Jeffreys, Mr. Charles Acland, Mr. Herbert Gardner, Mr. Milnes-Gaskell, Mr. Alfred Thomas, Mr. Seale-Hayne, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Sheehy, Mr. Cornwallis West, and Mr. Jasper More; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Slander Law
Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Slander of Women: And that Mr. Milvain, Mr. Henry H. Fowler, Mr. Shiress Will, Mr. Addison, Mr. Burt, and Mr. Pickersgill do prepare, and bring it in.

Sunday Closing
Acts (Ireland.)
No. 255.

Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland reported from the Select Committee on the Sunday Closing Acts (Ireland), to whom the Sale of Liquors on Sunday (Ireland) Act (1878) Amendment Bill, and the Public Houses (Ireland) (Saturday Closing) Bill were referred; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence and an Appendix.

Sale of Liquors
on Sunday
(Ireland) Act
(1878) Amend-
ment Bill, and
Public Houses
(Ireland)
(Saturday
Closing) Bill
(consolidated
into Intoxicat-
ing Liquors
(Ireland) Bill.)
Intoxicating
Liquors (Ire-
land) Bill.

Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland further reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the Bills referred to them, and taken evidence thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and had, pursuant to the Instruction of the House, consolidated the two Bills into one Bill, "to amend the Law relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in Ireland on Saturday and Sunday, and for other purposes connected therewith"; and had gone through the said Consolidated Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 11th day of this instant July; and be printed.

Mr. Milvain presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Slander of Women: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence between the Admiralty and the Treasury respecting the New Form of Navy Estimates.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Correspondence between the Admiralty and the Treasury respecting the New Form of Navy Estimates, with a Copy of the Navy Estimates, be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Municipal from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 29th day of June last, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, viz.:

Municipal Boundaries (Dublin) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (Dublin Markets) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Coleraine, &c.) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Several

Public Petitions.	Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>Rhondda and Swansea Bay</i> Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Vide Sixteenth Report.		
Mines.	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Mines to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the year 1887. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>Timber Acts (Ireland)</i> Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Colonial Possessions (Trinidad, Bermuda, and Saint Helena.)	Baron <i>Henry De Worms</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Reports on the Blue Books for 1887 (No. 16, <i>Trinidad</i> ; No. 17, <i>Bermuda</i> ; and No. 18, <i>St. Helena</i>). <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>Limpsfield and Oxted Water</i> Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
East India (Mr. William Tayler, Patna Riots.)	Sir <i>John Gorst</i> presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return, relative to <i>East India</i> (Mr. <i>William Tayler</i> , Patna Riots). <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Return do lie upon the Table.	The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the establishment of Local Courts of Bankruptcy in <i>Ireland</i> ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Trade (Foreign Countries and British Possessions.)	Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and <i>British Possessions</i> for the year 1887. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.	The Lords request, That this House will be pleased to give leave to <i>Samuel Montagu</i> , Esquire, a Member of this House, to attend, in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships, in the present Session of Parliament on the Sweating System.
Naval Pensioners.	<i>Ordered</i> , That there be laid before this House, a Return of the estimated Number of Naval Pensioners of 55 years of Age and under 65 who are qualified for the <i>Greenwich Hospital</i> (Life) Pension of £. 7 12 s. per annum, in addition to the 3,854 Pensioners of the above Age for whom provision is made in the Statement of the Estimated Expenditure of <i>Greenwich Hospital</i> for 1888-9, showing also the addition which would have to be made to the Charge of £.28,655, estimated in that Statement.	And Mr. <i>Samuel Montagu</i> , being present in his place, declared that he was willing, with leave of the House, to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships. <i>Resolved</i> , That <i>Samuel Montagu</i> , Esquire, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit. <i>Ordered</i> , That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them that this House hath given leave to <i>Samuel Montagu</i> , Esquire, to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.
Sugar Trade.	<i>Ordered</i> , That there be laid before this House, a Return (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 312, of Session 1887) bringing the Tables therein up to date, together with such later Information as can be given on the employment of Labour in the various Sugar Industries of the United Kingdom, and the Output of Refineries, similar to that contained in Parliamentary Paper, No. 325, of Session 1884.	The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill. (In the Committee.) CLAUSE, N° 17 (Power of County Council to make bye-laws). Amendment proposed; in p. 13, l. 25, after the word "county" to insert the words, "and a district." Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. An Amendment made. Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "and shall also have power of regulating the traffic in streets and roads, and of compelling owners of land at the side thereof to maintain their fences." Question, That those words be there added —put, and negatived. Another Amendment made. Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Standing Orders.	Sir <i>John Mowbray</i> reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:— That, in the case of the <i>Shropshire Railways</i> Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that the name of the <i>Cambrian Company</i> be struck out of Clause 60 of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the report of the Bill. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.	CLAUSE, N° 18 (Transfer to County Councils of certain licences, transferred licences). An Amendment made. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 37, to leave out Sub-section (a.) Question put, That the words, "on licences for the sale of any intoxicating liquors" stand part of the Clause; The Committee divided. Tellers for the { Mr. <i>Ahers Douglas</i> , } 192. Yeas, { Colonel <i>Walrond</i> : } Tellers for the { Mr. <i>Caine</i> , } 165. Noes, { Mr. <i>Rowntree</i> : }
Shropshire Railways Bill [Lords.]	The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the <i>Shropshire Railways</i> Bill, might be read; and the same being read; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time.	Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 40, after the word "Act" to insert the words "herein—after in this Act referred to as the transferred licences." Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Amendments made. Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause to add the words, "The Commissioners of
Message from the Lords.	Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:— The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment. VOL. 143.	
Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.		

"of Inland Revenue shall from time to time, in such manner and under such regulations as the Treasury may from time to time make, pay into the Bank of *England*, to the local taxation account hereinafter mentioned, such sums as may be ascertained, in manner provided by the regulations, to be the proceeds of the said duties collected by those Commissioners in each county in *England*."

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out, in l. 6, the words "in each county."

Question put, That the words "in each county" stand part of the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 240.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Sir Wilfrid Lawson, } 187.
Noes, { Mr. Caine:

Question, That those words, "The Commissioners of Inland Revenue shall from time to time, in such manner and under such regulations as the Treasury may from time to time make, pay into the Bank of *England*, to the local taxation account hereinafter mentioned, such sums as may be ascertained, in manner provided by the regulations, to be the proceeds of the said duties collected by those Commissioners in each county in *England*," be added at the end of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 19 (Power to levy to a limited amount additional duties on certain transferred licences).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Edmund Robertson, } 137.
Yeas, { Mr. Lawson:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 199.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

CLAUSE, N° 20 (Payment to County Council of proceeds of duties on certain licences (local taxation licences)).

Amendment proposed in p. 14, l. 40, to leave out Sub-section (1).

Question, That the words "after the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March next, after the passing of this Act," stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 25, after the word "county" to insert the words "Provided that in the case of any county containing any county borough or county boroughs, the amount ascertained as aforesaid shall be distributed by the Local Government Board between the said borough or boroughs, and the residue of the county in proportion to their respective populations for the time being, as estimated by the said Board."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 32, after the word "licences" to insert the words "or to increase within limits to be specified in such order any of such duties or licences except the duties upon carriages or other vehicles: horses—armorial bearings—male servants—dogs—killing game, or guns."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 21 (Grant to County Council of portion of probate duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 28, to leave

out from the words "proportion to," to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "their respective populations for the time being, as estimated by the Local Government Board."

Question proposed, That the words "their indoor pauperism" stand part of the Clause;

After Debate thereon;

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 228.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Arnold Morley, } 164.
Noes, { Mr. Marjoribanks:

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Question put accordingly, That the words "their indoor pauperism" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 222.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Sir Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth, } 166.
Noes, { Mr. Alexander Hall:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (*Ireland*) (1877) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of June last, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill,

that they have power to extend the scope of the Bill so as to include Marriages between a Woman and her deceased Husband's Brother";

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deacons (Church of *England*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The

Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Beer Adulteration Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Glebe Lands Occupation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant July.

Turbary (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant July.

Coroners' Elections Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Factors Acts Consolidation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Buildings (Metropolis) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buildings (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Moveable Abodes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill. The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, this day, on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill, was read, and discharged.

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Glebe Lands Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next, and be printed. Bill 317.

The Universities (Scotland) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill [Lords.] Bill 318.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 4th July, 1888.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "Bill" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "so far as it relates to the Torquay Order, be re-committed to a Select Committee to consist of Nine Members, Five to be nominated by the House, and Four by the Committee of Selection," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "so far as it relates to the Torquay Order be re-committed to a Select Committee to consist of Nine Members, Five to be nominated by the House and Four by the Committee of Selection," be added after the word "Bill" in the original Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, as amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill, so far as it relates to the Torquay Order, be re-committed to a Select Committee to consist of Nine Members, Five to be nominated by the House, and Four by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That they have power, if they think fit, to insert Provisions in the Bill to repeal the 38th section of "The Torquay Harbour and District Act, 1886," and that all Petitions praying to be heard against the same, presented not later than four clear days from the date hereof, be referred to the Committee on the Bill, and that such of the Petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents, or Witnesses, be heard on their Petitions, if they think fit, and Counsel be heard in favour of the Bill against such Petitions.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.
Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Public
Petitions
Vide Sixteenth
Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

High Sheriffs.
No. 257.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to High Sheriffs, which was communicated from the Lords upon the 2nd day of this instant July, be printed.

Police of
Burghs
(Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Return of a Case (Burgh of *Pulteneytown*) in which the Secretary of State's Certificate to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, of efficiency of the Police of a Burgh in *Scotland* has been withheld, for the year ended the 15th day of March 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Oaths Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Oaths Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Affirmation may be made instead of oath).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words "upon objecting to being "sworn," in order to insert the words "who shall declare that he entertains conscientious objections to the taking of an oath."

Question again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

After Debate thereon;

Question put
(pursuant to
S. O. Closure
of Debate.)

Mr. *Bradlaugh* rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put."

Question put, "That the Question be now put;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bradlaugh*, } 226.
 { Mr. *Kelly* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Gedge*, } 72.
 { Mr. *Tomlinson* : }

Question put accordingly, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause; The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bradlaugh*, } 174.
 { Mr. *Kelly* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hunter*, } 148.
 { Mr. *Kerans* : }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "sworn," to insert the words "and stating, as the ground of such objection, "either that he has no religious belief, or that the "taking of an oath is contrary to his religious "belief."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

After Debate thereon;

Chairman
withholds his
Assent, and
declines then
to put the
Question.

Sir *John Simon* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed.

Question again proposed;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out the words "contrary to his "religious belief," in order to insert the words "according to his religious belief unlawful."

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment—put, and agreed to.

Question put, That the words "and stating, "as the ground of such objection, either that he "has no religious belief, or that the taking of an

"oath is contrary to his religious belief," be inserted after the word "sworn," in p. 1, l. 5;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bradlaugh*, } 172.
 { Mr. *Kelly* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Heneage*, } 166.
 { Mr. *Jacob Bright* : }

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, amended, and agreed to.

Two Clauses added.

Another Clause (Penalty for improperly objecting to take an oath)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time—put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Peremptory right of challenge in respect of jurymen of no religious belief)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Tomlinson*, } 97.
 { Sir *Roper Lethbridge* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bradlaugh*, } 191.
 { Mr. *Kelly* : }

Another Clause added.

Another Clause (Statement of religious denomination not necessary in case of affirmation)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause added.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Mining Leases (*Cornwall* and *Devon*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Accumulations Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed, upon the 13th day of June last, on the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill,
That it be an Instruction to the Committee that
they have Power to extend the scope of the Bill
so as to include Marriages between a Woman and
her deceased Husband's Brother;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned
till Wednesday next.

Franchise
Extension Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Franchise Extension
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
To-morrow.

Soldiers' and
Sailors'
Disabilities
Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Soldiers' and Sailors'
Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

Religious
Prosecutions
Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Religious Prosecutions
Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant
July.

Official Trustee
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Official Trustee Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

Companies Acts
Consolidation
and Amend-
ment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Companies Acts Consoli-
dation and Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Friday next.

Intoxicating
Liquors (New
Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors
(New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

Licensing Laws
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Licensing Laws Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant
July.

Borough Funds
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Borough Funds (Ireland)
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
To-morrow.

Trees (Ireland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Trees (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

Poinding
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Poinding (Scotland)
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

Statute Law
Revision
(Master and
Servant) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision
(Master and Servant) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

Quarries
Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Distress
Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amend-
ment Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners'
Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary
Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections
(Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary
Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Supply.
mittee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, re-
solve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Ways and
the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Means.
upon the 29th day of June last, That Mr.
Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee
of Ways and Means);

The said Motion was, with leave of the House,
withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday
next, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways
and Means.

Mr. Marum reported from the Committee on Manchester
the Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill; That a Ship Canal
Report of the Local Government Board had been (No. 2) Bill
laid before the Committee and considered by them
and the suggestions thereof adopted.

Mr. Marum further reported from the Com-
mittee; That they had examined the allegations
contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and had
verbally amended the same, and found the
same, as amended, to be true; and had gone
through the Bill, and made Amendments there-
unto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table; and be printed.

Mr. Marum reported from the Committee on Railway Bills
Group 8 of Railway Bills; That, for the con- (Group 8.)
venience of parties, the Committee had ad-
journd till Wednesday 18th July, at half-past
Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Hastings reported from the Select Com- Police and
mittee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; Sanitary Regu-
That, in the case of the West Ham Corporation lations Bills.
(Improvements) Bill, Reports of the Home Office West Ham
and the Local Government Board relative to the Corporation
Bill were referred to the Committee, and the (Improve-
manner in which the recommendations in those ments) Bill.
Reports have been dealt with by the Committee
is set forth in Appendix (B).

Mr. Hastings further reported from the Com-
mittee; That they had examined the allegations
contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and
amended the same by striking out the recitals as
to the expediency of authorising the Corporation
of West Ham to appoint the Collectors of the
Poor Rates within the Parish of West Ham, and
in other respects, and found the same, as amended,

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to be true; and had made provision in the Bill in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 26th day of June 1888; and had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 5th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Aberdeen District Tramways Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Aberdeen District Tramways Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Frodsham Gas and Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Frodsham Gas and Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Lincoln Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The *Lincoln Corporation Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill [Lords.]

The *Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill* was read the third time; and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill* be read the third time To-morrow.

West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill*, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempsted Steam Tramways Bill [Lords.]

A Petition of Promoters of the *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempsted Steam Tramways Bill*, praying that provision may be made in the *Boxmoor and Hemel Hempsted Steam Tramways Bill* to alter Tramway No. 3, mentioned in the Bill, so that instead of passing along the road it should be carried through the property of certain landowners, or some of them, adjoining or near to the said road, was presented and read, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixteenth Report.

East India (Mr. William Tayler, Patna Riots.)

No. 258.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India (Mr. William Tayler, Patna Riots)*, which was presented upon the 3rd day of this instant July, be printed.

Mr Secretary *Matthews* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Order of the Town Council of *Hartlepool*, dividing the Borough into new Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Civil Service Command,—Copy of Thirty-second Report of Her Majesty's Civil Service Commissioners, with an Appendix.

Mr. *Jackson* also presented,—Return to an Building Order, dated the 11th day of June last, for a Societies. Return relative to Building Societies.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Trade Reports Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 380 and 381.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Extra a Return by Counties of Amounts levied by the Grand Juries in *Ireland* for extra Constabulary in the years 1886 and 1887 respectively, and showing whether the Amounts are chargeable on the County at large or on a Barony or Baronies, and in the latter case the Area to be specified.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Bann Drainage Bill*, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Barrow Drainage Bill*, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Shannon Drainage Bill*, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the *North Sea Fisheries Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for amending the Law with respect to the times of holding Quarter Sessions, and for other purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Pharmacy Act (*Ireland*), 1875; Amendment to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

A Message was delivered by Sir *James Drummond*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned; Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's

Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1888.
2. Copyright (Musical Compositions) Act, 1888.
3. North Sea Fisheries Act, 1888.
4. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Highways) Act, 1888.
5. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (Port) Act, 1888.
6. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order Confirmation (Dublin) Markets) Act, 1888.
7. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (Coleraine, Longford, and Tandragee) Act, 1888.
8. Henley-on-Thames Gas Act, 1888.
9. Stockton and Middlesbrough Waterworks Act, 1888.
10. Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Act, 1888.
11. Hinckley Local Board Water Act, 1888.
12. London Street Tramways (Extensions) Act, 1888.
13. Belfast Street Tramways Act, 1888.
14. Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1888.
15. Leeds White Cloth Hall Act, 1888.
16. Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Act, 1888.
17. South Eastern Railway (Various Powers) Act, 1888.
18. Uckfield Water Act, 1888.
19. South Lincolnshire Fen Water Act, 1888.
20. Wirral Railway Act, 1888.
21. Cork, Bandon, and South Coast Railway Act, 1888.
22. Aberpergwm Estate (Bridges) Act, 1888.
23. Seaford Dock and Railway (Extension of Time and Further Powers) Act, 1888.
24. Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Act, 1888.
25. North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Act, 1888.

Joynt's Divorce Bill [Lords.]

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills; That they had examined the allegations of Joynt's Divorce Bill, as to the Marriage of the Parties, the Adultery charged as the ground for dissolving the Marriage, the Verdict at Law, the Sentence of Divorce, *a mensâ et thoro*, in the Probate and Matrimonial Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland; and, upon Evidence satisfactory to the Committee, found the same and the other allegations to be true, and saw no reason to suspect collusion between the parties; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Joynt's Divorce Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings in the House of Lords on the Second Reading of Joynt's Divorce Bill, together with the Documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords: And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) (Wolverhampton Provisional Order) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. Abel Smith reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) (Wolverhampton Provisional Order) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better provision as to the appointment of Deputies for Recorders, Stipendiary Magistrates, and Clerks of the Peace: And that Mr. Secretary Matthews and Mr. Stuart-Wortley do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending the Law relating to Weights and Measures, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Sir Michael Hicks Beach and Baron Henry De Worms do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Sea Fisheries Bill for the Regulation of the Sea Fisheries of England: And that Sir Michael Hicks Beach and Baron Henry De Worms do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented a Bill to make better provision as to the appointment of Deputies for Recorders, Stipendiary Magistrates, and Clerks of the Peace: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed. Bill 320.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented a Bill for amending the Law relating to Weights and Measures, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July; and to be printed. Bill 321.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented a Bill for the Regulation of the Sea Fisheries of England: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July; and to be printed. Regulation Bill. Bill 322.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 69,017, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Subordinate Departments;

After Debate thereon;

Mr. Aird rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed.

Mr. Aird again rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put, "That the Question be now put;" The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Aird,	} 266.
Yeas,	Sir John Colomb:	
Tellers for the	Dr. Tanner,	} 84.
Noes,	Mr. John O'Connor:	

Question accordingly put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 69,017 be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Subordinate Departments;

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 301.
Yeas, {Mr. Sidney Herbert : }
Tellers for the {Dr. Tunner, } 62.
Noes, {Mr. John O'Connor : }

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for meeting the Deficiency of Income from Fees, &c. for the requirements of the Board of Trade, under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883 ;"

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Item B, £. 19,608, for Chief Official Receiver's Department, be reduced by £. 500 :—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,701, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for England and Wales, including the Endowed Schools Department ;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Item A, £. 25,346, for Salaries and Wages, be reduced by £. 1,000 ;

After Debate thereon ;

Mr. Byron Reed rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put ;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed.

Chairman withholds his Assent, and declines then to put the Question.

Chairman again withholds his Assent, and declines to put the Question.

Mr. Byron Reed again rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put ;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed.

Question put, That the Item A, £. 25,346 for Salaries and Wages, be reduced by £. 1,000 ;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Sir John Swinburne, } 117.
Yeas, {Mr. Courtney Kenny : }
Tellers for the {Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 195.
Noes, {Colonel Walrond : }

Original Question again proposed :—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

3. £. 34,720, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Comptroller and Auditor General of the Exchequer.

4. £. 5,257, to complete the Sum, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply
[31st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply ; and which Resolution was then postponed ;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supply
[31st May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply ;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply ; [1st June.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Acts Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning ;

Friday, 6th July, 1888 :

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of June last, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time ;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day, at Two of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey (Gunpowder Factory) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Renumeration] ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill;

Resolved, That this House, will upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Technical Instruction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Instruction Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Imperial Defence [Expenses].

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Imperial Defence [Expenses] [15th May.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July.

Imperial Defence [Expenses] [4th June.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 16th day of this instant July.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Advertisement Rating Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of May last, That the Suffragans' Nomination Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise Extension Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Resolved, That the Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities and the Reduced Three Pounds per Centum Annuities shall be redeemable at any time after the expiration of one year from the date at which a Copy of this Resolution, having been inserted in the "London Gazette," is affixed on the Royal Exchange in London, by payments of not less than Five hundred thousand pounds at any one time, in manner directed by any Act to be passed.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the operation of Section thirty of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875," as amended by subsequent Acts, and into the organisation or general condition of Societies and Companies to which the said Section applies, and to suggest what Amendment of the Law (if any) is required to ensure the better management of such Societies and Companies, and the more complete protection of the interests of the Members.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Herbert Maxwell, Mr. Fielden, Mr. Norton, Mr. Wootton Isaacson, Mr. Samuel Hoare, Mr. W. F. Lawrence, Mr. Howorth, Lord Francis Hervey, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Brown, Sir Henry Roscoe, Mr. Bradlaugh, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Bowen Rowlands, Dr. Clark, Mr. Foley, and Mr. Conway; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Burials Bill was read, and discharged.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mitchelstown
Riot (September 1887.)
No. 259.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Observations by Mr. Wellington Colomb, Assistant Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary (President of the late Court of Inquiry), with regard to certain circumstances connected with the firing of the shots by which three men were killed at Mitchelstown, County of Cork, on the 9th day of September 1887.

Mr. Arthur Balfour accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 6th July, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill
[Lords]
(Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Glasgow Central Railway Bill.

Medina Subway Bill.

Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Limpfield and Oxted Water
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Limpfield and Oxted Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

West Surrey
Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the West Surrey Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ulster Canal and Tyrone
Navigation Bill [Lords.]

The Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Lanarkshire and Ayrshire
Railway (Additional Powers) Bill
[Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a new Title, as followeth:

An Act to authorise the Corporation of the [New Title.] Borough of West Ham to construct certain Improvements and other Works; and to make provision for the transfer to such Corporation of the jurisdiction, within the said Borough, of the Commissioners of Sewers for Havering, Dagenham, and other Levels, and for the good Government of the Borough; to enable the said Corporation to borrow Money, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That, in the case of the Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Sixteenth
Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Building Societies, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant July, be printed.

Building
Societies.

No. 260.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of June last, for a Return relative to Intoxicating Liquors (Licences).

Intoxicating
Liquors
(Licences.)

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account prepared in pursuance of Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1875, showing the Receipts and Payments respectively of the High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal, during the year ended the 31st March 1888.

High Court of
Justice and
Court of
Appeal, &c.

Account, prepared in pursuance of the Courts of Law Fees Act, 1867, showing the Receipts and Expenditure in the Land Registry, in the year ended 31st March 1888.

Land Registry.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir

Education
(Science and
Art.)

Sir William Hart Dyke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Science and Art Department of the Committee of Council on Education on the Action of Light on Water Colours.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Irish Land
Commission
(Proceedings
under "The
Land Law
(Ireland) Act,
1881.")

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return, according to Provinces and Counties, of Judicial Rents fixed by Sub-Commissions and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the Irish Land Commission during the Months of March and April 1888, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent where ascertained; also Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the Irish Land Commission on the joint applications of Landlords and Tenants.

Local Govern-
ment Board
(Ireland.)

Copy of Annual Report of the Local Government Board for Ireland, being the Sixteenth Report under the "Local Government Board (Ireland) Act," 35 & 36 Vic. c. 69.

Dublin
Hospitals.

Copy of Thirteenth Report of the Board of Superintendence of Dublin Hospitals, with Appendices.

Agrarian
Outrages
(Ireland)
(April to
June 1888.)

Copy of Return of the Number of Agrarian Outrages committed in Ireland which were reported to the Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary during the Quarter ended 30th June 1888.

Explosions
(Fernilee near
Whaley
Bridge.)

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the circumstances attending an Explosion of Gunpowder Blasting Cartridges which took place at the Factory of Messrs. Williamson & Co., at Fernilee, near Whaley Bridge, on 21st March 1888, by Major J. P. Cundill, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives.

Official
Referees.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of June last, for Returns relative to Official Referees.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Temporary
Laws.

No. 261.

The following Paper, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws, in Session 1866, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Register of Temporary Laws for the Third Session of the Twenty-fourth Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (51 & 52 Vic.) (1888).

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Local Govern-
ment (Ireland)
Provisional
Orders (Bally-
money, &c.)
Bill [Lords]
[Provisional
Orders
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Ballymoney, &c.) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Elementary
Education
Provisional
Order Con-
firmation
(Birmingham)
Bill [Lords]
[Provisional
Order
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Birmingham) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Staffordshire
Potteries
Water Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill; That a Report from the Local Government Board

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upon the Bill, and the objects thereof, had been referred to the Committee, and considered by them, and that they had adopted such of the recommendations therein contained as appeared applicable to the case as submitted to them.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill; That in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 22nd day of June last, so much of Clause 13 as relates to the Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction Railway and Dock Company had been struck out of the Bill.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill, as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Quarterly Return to 30th June 1888.) a Copy of Quarterly Return directed by section 1, sub-section (10) of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," to be published in the "Dublin Gazette" for the quarter ending the 30th day of June last.

Mr. Bradlaugh, Member for the Borough of Northampton, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the harsh enforcement by the Treasury of certain Orders made on the 17th of December last by Mr. Bridge, Metropolitan Police Magistrate; but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having risen;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 21 (Grant to County Council of portion of Probate Duty).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 28, after the word "pauperism," to insert the words "their rateable value and their population (by taking the arithmetical mean of the results arrived at on these three bases)."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided;

Tellers for the	Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 183.
Yeas,	Mr. Marjoribanks:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 260.
Noes,	Colonel Watford:	

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made

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Progress

Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bail (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Local Government Provisional Order (Poor Law) (No. 7) Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (Poor Law) (No. 7) Bill, without Amendment.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Epping Church Bill [Lords.] The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the pulling down of the Chapel of *Saint John the Baptist*, in *Epping*, and building a new Church, and constituting such new Church the Parish Church of *Epping*, in lieu of the existing Parish Church, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Epping Church Bill [Lords.] The *Epping Church Bill* was read the first time.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Selection (Special Report) (Standing Committees.) *Ordered*, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Trade, &c. Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, viz. Mr. *Timothy Harrington*; and had appointed in substitution Mr. *Murphy*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Rights of Way (Scotland) Bill. *Ordered*, That the Rights of Way (Scotland) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Public Trustee Bill. *Ordered*, That the Public Trustee Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant July.

Saving Life at Sea Bill. *Ordered*, That the Saving Life at Sea Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant July.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, it well deserves the consideration of Her Majesty's Government, whether, and under what conditions, it would be expedient to revert to the

"ancient custom of paying Members for their services in Parliament," instead thereof;

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 7th July, 1888:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 192.
Colonel *Walrond*;

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Fenwick*, } 135.
Mr. *Huldane*;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply several Resolutions; which were read, [5th July.] as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.69,017, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Subordinate Departments. Board of Trade.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.6, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for meeting the Deficiency of Income from Fees, &c. for the requirements of the Board of Trade, under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883." Board of Trade (Deficiency of Income from Fees.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.34,720, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Comptroller and Auditor General of the Exchequer. Comptroller and Auditor General.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.5,257, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry of Friendly Societies. Friendly Societies (Registry.)

The said Resolutions, being read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being One of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned till Monday next, and Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till Monday next.

Monday, 9th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE *Joynt's Divorce Bill* was read the third time, and passed. Joynt's Divorce Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The

Falkirk and
District Water
Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Falkirk and District Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Greenock
Harbour Bill
[Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Greenock Harbour Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester
Ship Canal
Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester Ship Canal Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Brighton
Marine Palace
and Pier Bill
[Lords.]

The *Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Shropshire
Railways Bill
[Lords.]

The *Shropshire Railways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Elementary
Education
Provisional
Order Con-
firmation
(Birmingham)
Bill [Lords.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Birmingham*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment (Ireland)
Provisional
Orders (Bally-
money, &c.)
Bill [Lords.]

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders (*Ballymoney, &c.*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Chesham,
Boxmoor, and
Hemel Hemp-
sted Steam
Tramways Bill
[Lords.]
(Petition for
additional
Provision)
(Standing
Orders not
complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempsted Steam Tramways Bill*, the Standing Orders have not been complied with.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Sixteenth
Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

High Court
of Justice and
Court of
Appeal, &c.
No. 262.

Ordered, That the Account relative to High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal, &c. which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July be printed.

Land Registry.
No. 263.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Land Registry, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July, be printed.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 382 to 385.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 97 and 98.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lunatic
Asylums
(Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-seventh Report on the District, Criminal, and Private Lunatic Asylums in *Ireland*; with Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Military
Savings
Banks.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account of the Amount due by the Public to Depositors in the Military Savings Banks on the 31st March 1886, and of the Re-

ceipts, Interest, and Disbursements in the said Military Savings Banks during the year next ensuing, ending on 31st March 1887, including the Amount due on account of Army Charitable Funds, and of the subsequent Receipts, Interest, and Disbursements on account thereof, to 31st March 1887; also an Account of the Sums paid over by the Secretary of State for War to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, for Investment in Bank Annuities, on account of the Fund for Military Savings Banks, and of the Dividends reported to the Secretary of State for War by the said Commissioners, to have been received thereon, and invested in further aid of the Fund for Military Savings Banks (pursuant to 22 & 23 Vic. c. 20).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Attorney and Returns of the Amount paid to the Attorney Solicitor General and Solicitor General for *England* respectively (1) for Salary; (2) for Contentious Business; (3) Total, during the Financial Years 1877-8, 1878-9, 1879-80, 1880-81, 1881-2, 1882-3, 1883-4, 1884-5, 1885-6, 1886-7:—Of the same in regard to the Lord Advocate and the Solicitor General for *Scotland*:—And, of the same in regard to the Attorney and Solicitor General for *Ireland*.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return in the following form, showing the Number of Police employed permanently in the Houses of Parliament from 10 a.m. to the close of the Sitting of either House, their Length of Service (years completed) in the Police, and their Length of Service (years completed) in the Houses of Parliament:—

1. Length of Service (years completed) in the Police (for Form, *see* Votes).
2. Length of Service (years completed) in the Houses of Parliament (for Form, *see* Votes).

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday the 20th day of this instant July, the Mines (Limitation of Hours) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received, through Her Majesty's Secretary of State, the following Letter from Her Majesty's Ambassador at *Berlin*:—

British Embassy, *Berlin*,
June 29, 1888.

Sir,
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 19th instant, transmitting to me the Message of Condolence, moved and carried, "*Nemine Contradicente*," in the House of Commons on the 18th instant, and I have the honour to inform you that the Empress *Victoria* was graciously pleased to receive me in audience yesterday for the purpose of presenting the Address.

Her Imperial Majesty desired me to convey through you, Sir, to the House, Her deep gratitude for this mark of sympathy with Her deep distress, and to express the hope that the Memory of the Emperor *Frederick*, Her dearly beloved Husband, may ever be preserved.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient, humble servant,
E. B. Malet.

The Right Honourable
The Speaker, House of Commons.

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Mr.

Attorney and
Solicitor
General
(Emoluments.)

Metropolitan
Police in
Attendance on
the Houses of
Parliament.

Mines
(Limitation of
Hours) Bill.

Death of the
German
Emperor
Frederick.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill. Mr. Austin, Sir Henry Roscoe, Mr. William Beckett, and Captain Cotton were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the *Aire and Calder Navigation Bill*.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill. Mr. Henry H. Fowler, Mr. Conybeare, Mr. Francis Powell, Mr. Mallock, and Mr. Round were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the *Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill (Torquay Harbour Order)*.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Limerick Harbour Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Limerick Harbour Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Local Government (England and Wales) Bill*.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 21 (Grant to county council of portion of probate duty).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 28, to leave out from the word "pauperism," to the word "shall" in l. 30, in order to insert the words "and such distribution shall during the five local financial years beginning on the appointed day be in proportion to the average number of indoor paupers during the financial year ending on the twenty-fifth day of March next before the passing of this Act, and after the end of the said five years shall unless Parliament otherwise determine continue to be in accordance with the same proportion. The average number of indoor paupers of a county."

Question, That the words "during the financial year next preceding" stand part of the Clause—put, and negatived.

Question proposed, That the words "and such distribution shall during the five local financial years beginning on the appointed day be in proportion to the average number of indoor paupers during the financial year ending on the twenty-fifth day of March next before the passing of this Act, and after the end of the said five years shall unless Parliament otherwise determine continue to be in accordance with the same proportion. The average number of indoor paupers of a county," be there inserted;

Amendments made to the proposed Amendment.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 6, after the word "proportion," to insert the words "but as between a county and the county boroughs (if any) situate therein, the distribution among the county boroughs and the county shall be in proportion to their respective populations."

Question proposed, That those words be inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question, That the words "and such distribution shall during the five local financial years beginning on the appointed day be in proportion to the average number of indoor paupers during the five financial years preceding the twenty-fifth day of March next before the passing of this Act, and after the end of the said local financial five years shall unless Parliament otherwise determine continue to be in accordance with the same proportion. The average number of indoor paupers of a county," be inserted after the word "pauperism," in p. 16, l. 28,—put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 22 (Application of duties on transferred licences, local taxation licences, and probate duty grant).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 8, to leave out Sub-section (3).

Question proposed, That Sub-section (3) stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 23 (Payments by county council in substitution for annual local grants out of Exchequer in aid of local rates).

Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 26, at the end of Sub-section (1), to insert the words "Provided, that nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal any enactment relating to, or in anywise to affect any payment out of the Exchequer by way of composition for or contribution towards any local rates, in respect of any Government property."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 33, to leave out from the word "appliances," to the word "and," in l. 34.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 249.
Yeas, {Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the {Mr. Bradlaugh, } 123.
Noes, {Mr. Allison: }

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 38, after the word "paid," to insert the words "not less than."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 42, to leave out from the word "Act" to the word "Exchequer," in p. 20, l. 8, inclusive.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, to leave out Sub-sections (d), (e), and (f), in order to insert the words "They shall pay to the guardians of every poor law union wholly or partly in the county and to the council of each borough in the county not being a county borough a sum not exceeding three shillings a week, and in no case exceeding the actual relief granted, for each pauper lunatic chargeable to such union or to such borough who is certified to be a lunatic by a medical officer of health or by the medical officer of the union, and before payment of such grant by the county council, they shall require a certificate from a medical officer of health that such cases have been properly treated and cared for."

Question proposed, That Sub-section (d) stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 25, to leave out the words "in respect of the salaries and costs of clerks of assize and their officers or."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 24 (As to Secretary of State's power respecting efficiency of police).

Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 8, to leave out the words "numbers and."

Question

Question proposed, That the words "numbers" and "stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 25 (Grant by county council towards maintenance of indoor paupers).

Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 40, after the word "council," to insert the words "with the exception of the county council of London."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 23, l. 1, to leave out the word "four," in order to insert the word "two."

Question proposed, That the word "four" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 26, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 27 (General provisions as to powers transferred to county council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 2, to leave out the words "either to the justices of the county sitting in petty sessions, or."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 5, after the word "mentioned," to insert the words "Provided, that in the constitution of any such committee the number of county aldermen appointed to serve thereon shall in no case be more in proportion to the number of councillors so appointed than the number of aldermen in the whole council bears to the councillors."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 28, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 29 (Standing joint committee of quarter sessions and county council for the purpose of police, clerk of the peace, officers, &c.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 27, after the word "of," to insert the words "not more than eight members appointed by quarter sessions and eight members appointed by the county council."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 28, to leave out the word "members," in order to insert the words "elected councillors."

Question put, That the word "members" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 252.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Conybeare, } 81.
Noes, { Mr. Halley Stewart: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 35, after the word "lot" to insert the words "The joint committee shall have the management of all shire halls, county halls, assize courts, judges' lodgings, lock-up houses, justices' rooms, and police stations."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 30 (Certain large quarter sessions boroughs named in the schedule to be treated as counties).

Amendment proposed, in p. 25, l. 13, to leave out from the word "Act" to the word "shall," in order to insert the words "being a borough which on the first day of June, One thousand

"eight hundred and eighty-eight, either had a population of not less than fifty thousand or was a county of itself."

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause—put, and negatived.

Question, That the words "being a borough which on the first day of June, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, either had a population of not less than fifty thousand or was a county of itself," be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out the word "fifty," in order to insert the words "twenty-five."

Question proposed, That the word "fifty" stand part of the proposed Amendment;

Dr. Tanner moved to report Progress; but the Chairman was of the opinion that that Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, and declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee;

Question put, That the word "fifty" stand part of the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 225.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Rowntree, } 79.
Noes, { Mr. Allison: }

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And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply; [1st June.]

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply; [31st May.]

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [5th July.]

upon the 6th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolution was as followeth:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 69,017, be Board of Trade granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Subordinate Departments.

Ordered, that the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bann Drainage Second Reading of the Bann Drainage Bill; Bill

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Barrow Second Reading of the Barrow Drainage Bill; Drainage Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shannon Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill; Drainage Bill.

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	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Winchester Burgesses Disqualification Removal Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant July.	<i>Winchester Burgesses Disqualification Removal Bill</i> .
Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Housing of the Working Classes Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant July.	<i>Housing of the Working Classes Bill</i> .
Tithe Rent-Charge Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.	<i>Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill</i> [Lords.]
Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill</i> .
Universities (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	<i>Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill</i> .
Supply [21st June.]	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was, upon the 28th day of June last, postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill</i> .
Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill</i> [Lords.]
Criminal Evidence Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill</i> .
County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Law Agents (Scotland) Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Law Agents (Scotland) Bill</i> .
Official Secrets Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of June last, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill</i> .
Bail (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill</i> .
Supply.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Buildings (Metropolis) Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	<i>Buildings (Metropolis) Bill</i> .
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the <i>Glebe Lands Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.	<i>Glebe Lands Bill</i> .
Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill</i> ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.		

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Quarries Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Law of Distress Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of May last, That the Suffragans' Nomination Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant July.

Weekly Wages Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Wages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Charities Restitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

School Board for London (Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Acts Consolidation and Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise Extension Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 10th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Epping Church Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 5th day of July, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Shannon Drainage Bill.

The *Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway* (Additional Powers) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The *Liverpool Overhead Railway* Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

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Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixteenth Report.

Prisons (Scotland.) No. 264. Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (Scotland), which was presented upon the 25th day of June last, be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences.) No. 265. Ordered, That the Return relative to Intoxicating Liquors (Licences), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July, be printed.

Official Referees. No. 266. Ordered, That the Return relative to Official Referees, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July, be printed.

Military Savings Banks. No. 267. Ordered, That the Account relative to Military Savings Banks, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant July, be printed.

National Portrait Gallery. Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-first Annual Report of the Trustees of the National Portrait Gallery to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, being for 1888.

Wines (Alcoholic Strength.) No. 268. Mr. Jackson also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of April last, for a Return relative to Wines (Alcoholic Strength).

Post Office Savings Banks (Regulations.) Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of Post Office Savings Bank Regulations, 1888;

Trustee Savings Banks (Regulations.) Copy of Draft of Trustee Savings Bank Regulations, 1888. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Wines (Alcoholic Strength) be printed.

Pleuro-Pneumonia and Tuberculosis. Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on Pleuro-Pneumonia and Tuberculosis in the United Kingdom, 1888. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Court of Bankruptcy (Ireland.) The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of General Orders, dated 23rd June 1888, made in pursuance of "The Irish Bankrupt and Insolvent Act, 1857," and "The Bankruptcy (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1872."

Army Estimates (Fourth Report.) No. 269. Lord Randolph Churchill reported from the Select Committee on Army Estimates; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Commons Regulation Provisional Order [Therfield Heath] Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.] Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Commons Regulation Provisional Order [Therfield] Heath Bill; That they have considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill [Lords.] Mr. Courtney reported the Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill, with an Amendment. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Bill [Lords.] Mr. Courtney reported the Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Bill, without Amendment. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported the Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill, with Amendments. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Earl of Winchilsea and Nottingham's Estate Bill, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 188B; That the Bill does not contain any provisions extending either the term or the area of any Settlement of Land.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true, and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported the Lambourn Valley Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Number of Convictions in respect of such Offences under the following Enactments as involve Drunkenness, 3 and 4 Vic. c. 97, sec. 13; 10 and 11 Vic. c. 89, secs. 29 and 61; 35 and 36 Vic. c. 94, sec. 12, committed after 12.30 (noon) on Sundays during the Three years ended the 31st day of December 1887:—

District, whether County, Borough, or other Area having a separate Police Force.	Population (Census 1881) of such Police District.	Convictions.			Number of Persons convicted who were <i>bond fide</i> Residents in the District.	Number of such Persons not <i>bond fide</i> Residents in the District.
		1885.	1886.	1887.		

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the remainder of the Session, Government Business, whether Orders of the Day, or Notices of Motion, have precedence on Tuesday and Wednesday; that Standing Order 11, relating to the Committee of Supply, or Ways and Means on Friday, be suspended; and that Standing Order 56, relating to Mr. Speaker leaving the Chair without putting any Question on going into Committee of Supply on Monday and Tuesday, be extended to the other days of the week.

That Reports of Supply and Ways and Means may be taken after Midnight (and half-past five on Wednesday), though opposed, and that the Proceedings thereon be not interrupted, either at Midnight or One o'clock (or on Wednesday at Six), but after such Reports have been disposed of no Opposed Business shall be taken;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House do now proceed to" the Order of the Day," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—"The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That, for the remainder of the Session, Government Business, whether Orders of the Day, or Notices of Motion, have precedence on Tuesday and Wednesday; that Standing Order 11, relating to the Committee of Supply, or Ways and Means on Friday, be suspended; and that Standing Order 56, relating to Mr. Speaker leaving the Chair without putting any Question on going into Committee of Supply on Monday

Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill [Lords.]

Earl of Winchilsea and Nottingham's Estate Bill [Lords.]

Lambourn Valley Railway Bill [Lords.]

Drunkenness on Sunday (Convictions.)

Business of the House (Government Business.)

Monday and Thursday, be extended to the other days of the week.

That Reports of Supply and Ways and Means may be taken after Midnight (and half-past five on Wednesday), though opposed, and that the Proceedings thereon be not interrupted, either at Midnight or One o'clock (or on Wednesday at Six), but after such Reports have been disposed of no Opposed Business shall be taken.

Standing Orders.

Sir John Munro reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Municipal Boundaries (Dublin) Bill.

That, in the case of the Municipal Boundaries (Dublin) Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12) Bill, without Amendment.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Saint Mary's Hospital, &c.) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Midland Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Midland Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (West Loch Tarbert) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm an Order made by the Secretary for Scotland under "The Sea Fisheries Act, 1868," relating to the West Loch Tarbert Oyster and Mussel Fisheries; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (West Loch Tarbert) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] Bill 323.

The Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (West Loch Tarbert) Order Confirmation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 30 (Certain large Quarter Sessions Boroughs named in the Schedule to be treated as Counties).

Question again proposed, That the words "being a Borough which on the First day of June One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, either had a population of not less than fifty thousand, or was a County of itself," be there inserted.

Question put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "the council of a borough may, for the purpose of enabling them to pay any money for redemption of any liability under this section, from time to time borrow, on the security of all or any of their funds, rates, and revenues, such sums as they may require."

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 31 (Application of Act to larger Quarter Sessions Boroughs not treated as Counties).

Amendment proposed, in p. 27, l. 24, to leave out from the word "Act" to the word "the" in l. 26.

Question proposed, That the words proposed be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 32 and N° 33, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 34 (Application of Act to smaller Quarter Sessions Boroughs with population under 10,000).

Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 19, after the word "lunatic" to insert the words, "Provided always that any such borough shall contribute a due proportion of the capital cost of any asylum or building which they shall upon such transfer—ence become entitled to use conjointly with the other inhabitants of the county; and if any difference shall arise in respect of any such contribution by any borough, such difference shall be referred to the Local Government Board, whose decision shall be final. Any such contribution may by agreement be made by an addition to the weekly cost of maintenance, as charged for each lunatic maintained, to the several unions in the county."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 35 (Application of Act to all Boroughs with population under 10,000).

Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 31, to leave out the word "ten" in order to insert the word "twenty."

Question proposed, That the word "ten" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 36 (Application of Act to Metropolis as County of London).

Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 11, after the word "effect," to insert the words, "(1) there shall be no Selected Councillors in the County of London."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to to move, that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 11th July, 1888:

The Order of the day being read, for the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parish Vestries Second Reading of the Parish Vestries Reform Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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Allotments
Act (1887)
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Workmen
(Woolwich.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, *Woolwich*, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861, and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870, or later, that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 31st day of this instant July.

Perpetuity
Leases
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Breach of
Promise of
Marriage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Beer Adultera-
tion Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Glebe Lands
Occupation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Factors Acts
Consolidation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Law of Dis-
tress Amend-
ment Bill
[*Lords*.]

The Law of Distress Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Charities
Restitution
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Coroners'
Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply; [1st June.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply; [31st May.]

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [5th July.]

upon the 6th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution (Board of Trade) reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bann* Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow* Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon* Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Third of the Resolutions [21st June.] which, upon the 25th day of June last, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was, upon the 20th day of June last, postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Bail (*Scotland*) into consideration the Bail (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, H.M.S. a Copy of Treasury Minutes, dated the 10th day of July 1888, with reference to a Collision between H.M.S. "*Sultan*" and the "*Ville de Victoria*," sanctioning the application of a saving on Navy Vote 10, Section 2, 1887-88, to meeting an excess on Navy Vote 14, 1887-88, with annexed Correspondence. No. 270.

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Revenue, a Copy of Returns of all Taxes and Imposts 1887-88. No. 271. from which the Imperial Revenue of the United Kingdom was raised, together with the Gross Revenue in the Year ended the 31st day of March 1888, with the Cost and Charge of collecting the same under each Head, these Charges being deducted, and leaving the Net Amount of Revenue:—And, of the Aggregate Revenue collected in each of the previous Ten Years

Years (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 317, of Session 1887).

Sir *Herbert Maxwell* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Legitim Law
Amendment
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant July.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 11th July, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
(Group B.)

MR. *J. W. Lowther* reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That the parties opposing the *Preston Corporation Bill* had stated that the Evidence of *Thomas Andrew Walker* was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Thomas Andrew Walker* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *Thomas Andrew Walker* do attend the Committee on Group E of Private Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Worcester and
Broom Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Worcester and Broom Railway Bill*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Glasgow
Central
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The *Glasgow Central Railway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Vale of Clyde
Tramways
Bill [Lords.]

The *Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Edinburgh
and Leith
Corporations
Gas Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That in the case of the *Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill* Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

Commons
Regulation
Provisional
Order [Ther-
field Heath]
Bill.

The Commons Regulation Provisional Order [Therfield Heath] Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seven-
teenth Report.

Historical
Manuscripts
(Royal Com-
mission)
(Earl Cowper.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twelfth Report, Appendix, Part I. (Manuscripts of Earl Cowper, K.G.)

Historical
Manuscripts
(Royal Com-
mission)
(Marquis of
Salisbury.)

Copy of Part II. of the Calendar of the Manuscripts of the Marquis of Salisbury, K.G.

Supreme
Court of
Judicature
(Ireland) Act,
1877.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council by the Lords Justices and Privy Council of Ireland, dated 6th July 1888, making an additional Rule of Court, adopted by a majority of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland.

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Copy of a Proclamation, dated 6th July 1888, Criminal Law applying Section 3 of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887, to the County of Wicklow.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Street and Road Tramways authorised by Parliament; showing the Amount of Capital authorised, paid up, and expended, the Length of Tramway authorised, and the Length open for the Public Conveyance of Passengers down to the 30th day of June 1888; the Gross Receipts, Working Expenditure, and Net Receipts; the Number of Passengers conveyed, and the Number of Miles run by Cars, during the year ended the 30th day of June 1888; together with the Number of Horses, Engines, and Cars at that date (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 215, of Session 1887.)

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill be taken into consideration (No. 7) Bill. To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No. 36 (Application of Act to Metropolis as County of London).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 32, l. 11, after the word "effect," to insert the words "(1.) There shall be no selected councillors in the County of London."

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. James Rowlands,	} 148.
Yeas,	Mr. Baumann:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 192.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 15, to leave out the words, "Her Majesty the Queen," in order to insert the words "the County Council of London."

Question put, That the words "Her Majesty the Queen" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 187.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Firth,	} 155.
Noes,	Mr. Lawson:	

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 21, to leave out from the word "London" to the word "Court" in l. 26.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "Provided also, that the county aldermen shall be elected only from among the county councillors."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Causton,	} 145.
Yeas,	Mr. Powell Williams:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 246.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Other Amendments made.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made

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Progress

Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Oaths Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Oaths Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Partnership Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Partnership Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No. 2 (Commencement of Act).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

And, it being a quarter to Six of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Access to Mountains (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishing in Rivers Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Act (1875) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of Glasgow (Saint Mungo's College) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burials Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rights of Way (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered,

Poor Rates,
&c. (Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Poor Rates, School Rate, Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Rate, and any other Rate levied along with the Poor Rates, specifying the following Particulars: (1.) Valuation of the several Parishes, Royal and Parliamentary Burghs, and Counties in Scotland at the 15th day of August 1887; (2.) Mode of Assessment; (3.) Rate per £. for each Assessment; (4.) Amount produced in each Parish, Royal and Parliamentary Burgh, and County; (5.) Abstract of Returns, &c. (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 316, of Session 1885).

Marriage Law
Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Marriage: And that Mr. Robert Reid, Sir Henry James, and Mr. Dugdale do prepare, and bring it in.

Marriage Law
Amendment
Bill.

Bill 324.

Mr. Robert Reid accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law of Marriage: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
[Expenses.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund to the Local Taxation Account, during the financial year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, of such sums in respect of main roads as have been paid in previous years out of moneys provided by Parliament, such sums to be repaid to the Consolidated Fund, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Laws relating to Local Government in England and Wales, and for other purposes connected therewith; also the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the expenses of any Commissioners that may be appointed for the purposes of such Act, and of the salaries and remuneration of the officers and persons employed by them;

Mr. Ritchie, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Revenue
Departments
Estimate.

No. 272.

Mr. Stansfeld reported from the Select Committee on the Revenue Departments Estimates; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 12th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Greenock
Harbour Bill
[Lords.]

ORDERED, That the Greenock Harbour Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Manchester
Ship Canal
Bill [Lords.]

The Manchester Ship Canal Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to Vol. 143.

which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time. [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee. [Lords.]

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments, and a New Title, as followeth:

An Act to incorporate and authorise Commissioners to supply with Gas the City of Edinburgh, Burgh of Leith, and Districts and places adjacent, and to transfer to them the Gasworks and Gas Undertakings of the Edinburgh Gas Light Company, and the Edinburgh and Leith Gas Light Company, and for other purposes. [New Title.]

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

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teenth Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, which was presented upon the 29th day of June last, be printed.

Railways
Construction
Facilities Act,
1864.
No. 273.

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a List of all Pensions granted during the year ended the 20th June 1888, and charged upon the Civil List.

Civil List
Pensions.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Mining and Mineral Statistics of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the year 1887, including Lists of Mines and Mineral Works, and a List of Plans of Abandoned Mines.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Correspondence relating to the Inefficient Police Forces in England and Wales.

Police
(England and
Wales.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 386.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting Mr. Portal's Mission to Abyssinia.

Abyssinia
(No. 1, 1888.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Sir

Navy (Dock-
yard Ports
Regulations
Act, 1865.)

Sir William Hart-Dyke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 29th June 1888, repealing Order of 29th February 1868, and defining anew the Dockyard Port of *Chatham* and *Sheerness*, and making certain Regulations with respect thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Royal
University of
Ireland.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Royal University of *Ireland* for the year ended 31st March 1888, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Rating and
Valuation
(Scotland.)
No. 274.

Mr. J. B. Balfour reported from the Select Committee on Rating and Valuation (*Scotland*); That they had taken Evidence on the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the same to the House, together with an Appendix; and a recommendation that a Committee be appointed in the next Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

South Stafford-
shire Water
Bill [Lords]
[Parties do not
proceed.]

Mr. J. W. Lowther reported from the Committee on Group E, of Private Bills; That in the case of the *South Staffordshire Water Bill*, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the recitals relating to scales of rates, and found the same, as amended, to be true; but that the parties promoting the said Bill had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Law, &c.
(Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill.)

Mr. Osborne Morgan reported from the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure; That they had gone through the *Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill*, and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 275.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bill 325.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Bann and
Barrow
Drainage Bill
(Standing
Orders com-
plied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 5th day of July, That, in the case of the following Bills, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Bann Drainage Bill.
Barrow Drainage Bill.

Private Bill
Legislation.
No. 276.

Mr. Craig Sellar reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords to examine into the present system of Private Bill Legislation, and to report how far and in what manner, without prejudice to public interests, that system may be modified, with a view to the interests of suitors, the economy of the time of Parliament, and the reduction of costs and charges; have considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade, &c.
(Railway and
Canal Com-
panies Charges
Bill.)

The Order made upon the 14th day of May last, That the Railway and Canal Companies Charges Bill be committed to the Standing

Committee on Trade, &c., was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter the Law as regards Presumption of Life in Persons long absent from *Scotland*: And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland* do prepare, and bring it in.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to alter the Law as regards Presumption of Life in Persons long absent from *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant July; and to be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law relating to the Duties, Powers, and Liability of Trustees; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Public Health (*Scotland*) Act, 1867, relating to *Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Bute Docks, Cardiff*, Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Public Health (*Scotland*) Provisional Order (*Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water*) Bill, was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 36 (Application of Act to Metropolis as County of *London*).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 33, l. 2, to insert the words, "(3.) The *London* county council shall have the same powers, duties, and liabilities, with respect to the police, in "in the County of *London*, as are vested in the "watch committee of a borough under "The "Municipal Corporations Act, 1882."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. James Stuart,	} 150.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Lawson :	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 220.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond :	

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 33, l. 4, after the word "works," to insert the words "and of the Metropolitan Asylums Board."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 33, l. 9, to leave out from the word "if" to the word "aforesaid," in l. 12, inclusive.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 33, l. 8, after the word "works," to insert the words "there shall also be transferred to the London county council the powers, duties, and liabilities of the Commissioners of Police relating to "hackney and stage carriages."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 16, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "The county council of London may, as part of their general expenses, pay all costs, charges, and expenses which may be incurred by them, of and incidental to any inquiry to be instituted with respect to markets for the sale of food supplies within the London council area, and preliminary to, in, and incidental to the preparing, applying for, and obtaining an Act of Parliament with respect to such markets, or any of such markets."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "every elected councillor for the County of London shall be an *ex-officio* member of the vestry or district board of the parish or district which he may represent on the County Council of London during the time for which he is so elected."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 37 (Position of City of London).

Amendment proposed, in p. 33, l. 21, to leave out from the second word "the," to the word "and," in line 23, in order to insert the words "County Council of London."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 119.
Yeas,	{ Colonel Walrond :	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Firth,	} 89.
Noes,	{ Mr. Lawson :	

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 33, l. 36, after the word "London," to insert the words "and the Common Council shall be entitled to receive from the London County Council in respect of each pauper lunatic the same amount as is required by this Act to be paid by any other county council to the council of a borough."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 124.
Yeas,	{ Colonel Walrond :	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Firth,	} 91.
Noes,	{ Mr. Lawson :	

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 34, l. 7, to leave out Sub-section (4).

Question, That the words "the provisions of the Highways and Locomotives (Amendment)"

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Act, 1878," stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 34, l. 15, to leave out Sub-section (a).

Question proposed, That Sub-section (a) stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 34, l. 17, to leave out the words "and authorising locomotives to be used on any road."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 142.
Yeas,	{ Colonel Walrond :	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Firth,	} 88.
Noes,	{ Mr. Lawson :	

Whereupon, Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 35, l. 18, after the word "London," to insert the words "shall in future be appointed by the Common Council of the City of London, and."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Firth,	} 110.
Yeas,	{ Mr. James Rowlands :	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 160.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond :	

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, [1st June.] as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 27,968, be Colonial granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum Office. necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain Expenses connected with Emigration.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 37,356, be Privy Council granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council and Subordinate Departments.

The First Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 27,968," and inserting "£. 26,968."

And the Question being put, That "£. 27,968" stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 247.
Yeas,	{ Colonel Walrond :	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Baumann,	} 30.
Noes,	{ Mr. Ernest Beckett :	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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And the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Then the Second Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Supply
[31st May.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow :

Admiralty
Buildings.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Extension of Admiralty Buildings.

Foreign Office.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 46,073, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

The First Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Second Resolution, being read a second time ;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution ;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 129.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond :

Tellers for the { Mr. Arthur O'Connor, } 45.
Noes, { Mr. Philip Stanhope :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply
[5th July.]
Board of Trade.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 69,017, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Subordinate Departments;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 142.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond :

Tellers for the { Dr. Tanner, } 28.
Noes, { Mr. Arthur O'Connor :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Resolutions were agreed to.

Supply
[21st June.]
Report
(Postponed
Resolution.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was, upon the 28th day of July last, postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supreme
Court of
Judicature
(Ireland)
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Recorders, Magistrates, and Clerks of the Peace Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Acts Second Reading of the Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill; Officers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Technical Second Reading of the Technical Instruction Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Universities Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill; (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Mortmain and into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking County Courts into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of June last, That the Official Secrets Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Glebe Lands into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

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Bann Drainage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bann Drainage Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Barrow Drainage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Shannon Drainage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bail (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Bail (Scotland) Bill*, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Local Government (England and Wales) [Expenses.] The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee on Local Government (*England and Wales*) [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund to the Local Taxation Account, during the financial year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, of such sums in respect of main roads as have been paid in previous years out of moneys provided by Parliament, such sums to be repaid to the Consolidated Fund, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Law relating to Local Government in *England and Wales*, and for other purposes connected therewith; also the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the expenses of any Commissioners and Officers that may be appointed for the purposes of such Act, and of the salaries and remuneration of the officers and persons employed by them.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Herbert Maxwell* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Oaths Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Small Debts (Scotland) Bill*;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill* (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill*;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant July.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Advertisement Rating Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Buildings (Metropolis) Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Agricultural Holdings Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Turbary (Ireland) Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Coroners' Elections Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Parliamentary Voters Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the *Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill* be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 13th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's
Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to indisposition:

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. Courtney, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table; and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Limerick
Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Limerick Harbour Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Midland Rail-
way Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Midland Railway Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Falkirk and
District Water
Bill [Lords.]

The *Falkirk and District Water Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Liverpool and
Birkenhead
Subway Bill
[Lords.]

The *Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Medina Sub-
way Bill
[Lords.]

The *Medina Subway Bill* was read a second time; and committed.

Ballina and
Killala Railway
and Harbour
Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the *Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill* be re-committed to the former Committee:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Pier and
Harbour
Provisional
Orders Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill*; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Tramways
Provisional
Orders (No. 3)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill*; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Public
Petitions
(Sixteenth
Report)

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 27th, 28th, and 29th days of June last, and upon the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th and 10th days of this

instant July; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported the *Cheadle Railway, Cheadle Rail-
Mineral, and Land Company Bill*, without way, Mineral,
Amendment. and Land
Company Bill

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the *Bridgewater Rail-
way Bill*, without Amendment. Bridgewater
Railway Bill

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the *North Cornwall North Corn-
Railway Bill*, without Amendment. wall Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported the *Plymouth, Devon- Plymouth,
port, and South Western Junction Railway Bill*, Devonport,
with an Amendment. and South
Western Junc-
tion Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Courtney reported the *London Sea Water London Sea
Supply Bill*, without Amendment. Water Supply
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Hampstead Heath Extension Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Petitions.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Post Post Office
Office Savings Banks (Regulations), which was Savings Banks
presented upon the 10th day of this instant July, (Regulations.)
be printed. No. 277.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Trustee Trustees
Savings Banks (Regulations), which was pre- Savings Banks
sented upon the 10th day of this instant July, (Regulations.)
be printed. No. 278.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Civil Civil List
List Pensions, which was presented upon the Pensions.
12th day of this instant July, be printed. No. 279.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Royal
Royal University of Ireland, which was presented University of
upon the 12th day of this instant July, be Ireland.
printed. No. 280.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Ma- Africa, No. 4
jesty's Command,—Copy of Notifications of Ac- (1888.)
quisitions of Territory on the Coasts of Africa
since the Signature of the Act of the Berlin Con-
ference of the 26th February 1885.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Marquis of Hartington reported from the Estimates
Select Committee on Estimates Procedure (Grants Procedure
of Supply); That they had considered the matters (Grants of
to them referred, and had directed him to make Supply.)
a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix. No. 281.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir

Standing
Orders.

Sir John Mowbray reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Chesham,
Boxmoor,
and Hemel
Hempsted
Steam
Tramways
Bill [Lords.]

That, in the case of the *Chesham, Boxmoor and Hemel Hempsted Steam Tramways Bill*, Petition for addition Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Divorce Cases
(Perjury.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Prevention and Punishment of Perjury on the hearing of Petitions for Dissolution of Marriage: And that Mr. *Darling* and Mr. *Coleridge* do prepare, and bring it in.

Trafalgar
Square (Regu-
lation of
Meetings.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Regulation of Meetings in *Trafalgar Square*: And that Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, Mr. *Rowlands*, Mr. *Howell*, and Mr. *Cremer* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ecclesiastical
Dilapidations.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Ecclesiastical Dilapidations: And that Mr. *Harry Davenport*, Mr. *Salt*, Mr. *Gurdon*, and Baron *Dimsdale* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Meet-
ings in Open
Spaces.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to declare and regulate the Right of Public Meeting in Open Spaces: And that Mr. *Cunninghame Graham*, Sir *Walter Foster*, Mr. *Conybeare*, and Mr. *James Stuart* do prepare, and bring it in.

Divorce Cases
(Perjury) Bill
Bill 328.

Mr. *Darling* presented a Bill for the Prevention and Punishment of Perjury on the hearing of Petitions for Dissolution of Marriage: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Trafalgar
Square (Regu-
lation of
Meetings) Bill.
Bill 329.

Mr. *James Stuart* presented a Bill for the Regulation of Meetings in *Trafalgar Square*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ecclesiastical
Dilapidations
Bill.
Bill 330.

Mr. *Harry Davenport* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Ecclesiastical Dilapidations: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July; and to be printed.

Public Meet-
ings in Open
Spaces Bill.
Bill 331.

Mr. *Cunninghame Graham* presented a Bill to declare and regulate the Right of Public Meeting in Open Spaces: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Liverpool
Overhead
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill*, without Amendment.

Manchester
Ship Canal
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Manchester Ship Canal Bill*, without Amendment.

Water Pro-
visional Orders
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Water Provisional Orders Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gas Provisional
Orders (No. 1)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gas Provisional
Orders (No. 2)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have agreed to the Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Rossendale Valley Tramways Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Water Provisional Orders Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. *Ritchie* reported from the Committee on Local Government (*England and Wales*) [Expenses], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, to the Local Taxation Account, during the financial year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, of such sums in respect of main roads as have been paid in previous years out of moneys provided by Parliament, such sums to be repaid to the Consolidated Fund, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Laws relating to Local Government in *England and Wales* and for other purposes connected therewith; also the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the expenses of any Commissioners and Officers that may be appointed for the purposes of such Act, and of the salaries and remuneration of the officers and persons employed by them.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 38 (Arrangements for paid Chairman, and sitting of Quarter Sessions for *London*).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 3, to leave out Sub-section (12).

Question, That Sub-section (12) stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided also that the power of the Aldermen of the City

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"of London to exercise jurisdiction at the Central Criminal Court shall cease."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 39 (Application of Act to certain special counties).

Amendment proposed, p. 37, l. 11, after the word "The" to insert the words "district of the Staffordshire Potteries, comprising the Municipal Boroughs of Hanley, Stoke-upon-Trent, Longton, and Burslem, the urban sanitary district of the Fenton Local Board of Health, and the urban sanitary district of the Tunstall Local Board of Health; the."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 12, after the word "Counties" to insert the words "The eastern and western divisions of Sussex under 'The County of Sussex Act, 1865,' shall respectively be separate administrative counties for the purposes of this Act."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the words "eighteen hundred and sixty-five" to insert the words "and the eastern and western divisions of Suffolk."

Question put, That those words be inserted in the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Lord Francis Hervey,	} 130.
Yeas,	Mr. Greene:	

Tellers for the	Mr. Francis Stevenson,	} 157.
Noes,	Colonel Anstruther:	

Question, That the words "The eastern and western divisions of Sussex, under 'The County of Sussex Act, 1865,' shall respectively be separate administrative counties for the purposes of this Act," be inserted after the word "Counties" in p. 37, l. 12—put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment, proposed, in p. 37, l. 20, to leave out from the word "be" to the end of the sub-section, in order to insert the words "The respective county councils of the three ridings, and of the three divisions shall appoint a standing joint committee out of their respective bodies for the transaction of the said administrative business, and if any difference arise as to the number of members, or mode or time of appointing the committee, the difference shall be determined by a Secretary of State. The provisions of this Act with respect to the appointment of joint committees shall extend and apply to and in relation to joint committees appointed under this section."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 37, l. 40, at the end of the sub-section to insert the words "A joint committee formed in pursuance of this section may from time to time appoint and pay a clerk, and remove any clerk so appointed. The person who at the appointed day shall be the clerk of gaol sessions shall by virtue of that office be the clerk to the said joint committee, and shall hold his office by the same tenure, and under and subject to the same conditions as heretofore, and shall be entitled to compensation as an existing officer within the meaning of this Act."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 40, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 41 to N° 50, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 51 (Boundary of county for first election).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 46, l. 1, to leave out from the word "county" to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "For the purposes of this Act the several parishes which are named in the second column of the Sixth Schedule to this Act annexed shall be considered as forming parts of the respective counties which are respectively mentioned in the third column of the said schedule, and where any urban sanitary district is situated partly within and partly without the boundary of a county, but for which no special provision is hereby made, the district shall be deemed to be within that county which contains the largest portion of the population of the district according to the census of One thousand eight hundred and eighty-one."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 52 (Directions for constitution of electoral divisions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 46, l. 28, after the word "had" to insert the words "to a proper representation both of the rural and of the urban population, and to the distribution of such population and."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave from the first word "to," to the words "of such" in order to insert the words "the pursuits."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "distribution," to insert the words "and pursuits."

Question, That the words "and pursuits," be inserted after the word "distribution," in the proposed Amendment—put, and agreed to.

Question, That the words "to a proper representation both of the rural and of the urban population, and to the distribution and pursuits of such population and" be inserted after the word "had," in p. 46, l. 28—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 46, l. 29, after the word "being," to insert the words "but area shall also be taken into consideration."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 53 (Determination by first county council of position of overlapping rural sanitary districts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 47, l. 25, to insert the words "and if they determine that the portion of such district in the county shall be a separate rural county district, they may annex to it any parish or parishes of any other rural county district situate within the county, and the parishes so annexed shall thereupon become part of such rural sanitary district."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 54, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 55 (Provisional Order as respects boroughs and urban sanitary districts in same area).

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An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 48, l. 17, to leave out Sub-section (2).

Question proposed, That Sub-section (2) stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 56, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 57 (Future alterations of boundaries of county and borough and of electoral divisions of a county).

Amendment proposed, in p. 48, l. 34, after the word "county," to insert the words "county borough."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 48, l. 35, after the word "borough," to insert the words "as the case may be."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 49, l. 4, after the word "order," to insert the words "Provided, that in default of such representation by the council of any county or borough before the first day of November One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, it shall be the duty of the Local Government Board to cause such local inquiry to be made, and thereupon to make such order as they may deem expedient."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "In dealing with an application by any borough under this section, the Local Government Board shall be empowered to have regard to the community of local interests between the borough and the places enclosed in the proposed extension, as also to sanitary and other requirements common to each, and to the efficiency and economy of combined local government."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "or if the order be made in default of representations by a council of a county or borough."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 58, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 59 (Future alteration of county districts and parishes and wards and future establishment of urban districts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 49, l. 18, after the word "parish," to insert the words "not in a borough."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 60 (Additional power of Local Government Board as to unions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 50, l. 29, at the beginning of the Clause, to insert the words "it shall be the duty of."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 94.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Marjoribanks:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 149.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

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Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 50, l. 37, after the word "unions," to insert the words, "Where in any union the whole or part of any district, township, or place is within the area of a borough for municipal purposes, but is not within the union of such borough, the Local Government Board shall have full power by order, so to alter such unions, as to transfer the whole or such part of such district, township, or place out of its present union, to the borough union, on such terms as to existing charges and liabilities as the Local Government Board may deem proper."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 61 (Supplemental provisions as to scheme or order).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 51, l. 27, to leave out the words "quarter sessions, justices of the peace, coroners, sheriff, lieutenant, custos rotulorum."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, after Sub-section (4), to insert the words, "In all cases where the boundaries of a quarter sessions borough shall be extended by any scheme or order made in pursuance of this Act, the jurisdiction of the quarter sessions and of the justices of the borough shall be extended to the entire area of the borough as so extended; and when any quarter sessions borough which, according to the census of 1881, contained a population of less than ten thousand, shall by such extension be made to include and contain a population of more than ten thousand, then such borough shall, for all the purposes of this Act, be deemed and taken to have been a borough which, according to the census of 1881, contained a population of more than ten thousand, and the provisions of this Act with respect to boroughs containing, according to the census of 1881, a population of less than ten thousand, shall not be taken to apply to such extended borough."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 62, amended, and agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Recorders, Magistrates, and Clerks of the Peace Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed

directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 14th July, 1888 :

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Glebe Lands Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Bail (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Partnership Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Law of Distress Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Law of Distress Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 5 to N° 9, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary Voters' Lists (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters' Lists (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

School Board for London (Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stipendiary Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parish Vestries Second Reading of the Parish Vestries Reform Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Allotments Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Copyhold Acts Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Intoxicating Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners' Second Reading of the Coroners' Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Mahony and Mr. Sheehy be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Corn Averages.

Ordered, That Mr. Pinkerton and Mr. Deasy be added to the Committee.

The Liability of Trustees Bill was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Bill 332.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Thursday next, on the Clerks of the Peace Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 16th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional
Order Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Order complied
with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, viz.:

Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional
Order Bills
[Lords]
(No Standing
Orders appli-
cable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Oyster and Mussels Fisheries (West Loch Tarbert) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Bute Docks,
Cardiff, Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Earl of Win-
chelsea and
Nottingham's
Estate Bill
[Lords.]

The Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham's Estate Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

East and West
Yorkshire
Union Rail-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

The East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Greenock
Harbour Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Greenock Harbour Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time after the Provisional Order Bills.

Lambourn
Valley Railway
Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Lambourn Valley Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Epping Church
Bill [Lords.]

The Epping Church Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ballina and
Killala Rail-
way and
Harbour Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant July, That the Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill be re-committed to the former Committee;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till after the Provisional Order Bills.

Hampstead
Heath Exten-
sion Bill.

Ordered, That, in the case of the Hampstead Heath Extension Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—

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The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas and Water Provisional Orders Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Water Provisional Orders Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Greenock Harbour Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant July, That the Ballina and Killala Railway and Harbour Bill be re-committed to the former Committee;

The House was moved, That the Report which upon the 21st day of June last, was made from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills in the case of the said Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, } 29.
 } Sir Joseph McKenna:
Tellers for the Noes, } 206.
 } Sir Julian Goldsmid,
 } Mr. Courtney Kenny:
So it passed in the Negative.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seventeenth Report.
Public Works (Ireland.)

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-sixth Annual Report from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, with Appendices, for the year 1887-88.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Courts Martial.)

Lord George Hamilton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of the Number of Courts Martial held upon Seamen of the Royal Navy and the Marines Afloat, during the year 1886, the Offences for which the Men were tried, the Sentences awarded, and the Punishments inflicted at Home and Abroad:—Of the Number of Summary Punishments inflicted:—And, similar Returns relating to the Royal Marines on Shore.

Naval Pensioners.

Lord George Hamilton also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Naval Pensioners.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Quarterly Return to 30th June 1888).

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Quarterly Return to 30th June 1888).

Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the Number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland, under the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887, during the Quarter ending 30th June 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 387, 388, and 389.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade, &c. (Railway and Canal Traffic Bill [Lords].)

Sir Matthew White Ridley reported from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures; to whom the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 286. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee, be printed.

Bill 333. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Preston Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Mr. J. W. Lowther reported from the Committee on the Preston Corporation Bill;—That Reports relative to the Bill from the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Local Government Board were referred to the Committee, and the manner in which the recommendations of those Reports have been dealt with by the Committee are set forth in the Appendix hereto.

Mr. J. W. Lowther further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make the same consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Rating of Machinery Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Licensing Laws Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, relating to the Imprisonment of a Member of this House:—

Kilkenny,
12th July '88.
Sir,
We beg leave to inform you that, at Goresbridge Petty Sessions, on 8th February 1888, we convicted Mr. Patrick O'Brien, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of that, on the 8th day of January 1888, at Goresbridge, in the co. of Kilkenny, being a district proclaimed under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," he did incite certain other person and persons unlawfully to take part in a criminal conspiracy to compel and induce certain other persons, tenants of farms of land in Ireland, not to fulfil their legal obligations, to wit, to refuse to pay and not to pay to John Smithwick, an owner of land in Ireland, the rents which said tenants were lawfully bound to pay, and which the said John Smithwick was lawfully entitled to receive and to be paid, under "The Criminal Law and Procedure Act, 1887," and sentenced him to three months' imprisonment without hard labour; that this sentence having been confirmed on appeal, at Thomastown Quarter Sessions on 10th April 1888, and appellant having been ordered to be detained as a first-class misdemeanant, we issued our warrant accordingly for his arrest, and that on that warrant he was arrested on the 11th inst. and was committed to Kilkenny Gaol, where he now is.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,
Hepp. F. Considine, R.M.
D. G. Bodkin, R.M.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. Conybeare, Member for the Camborne Division of Cornwall, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the violent attacks made by the Metropolitan Police upon peaceable and unoffending persons in Trafalgar Square on the afternoons of Saturday the 30th of June, and Saturday the 14th instant; but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less Forty Members having accordingly risen;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr.

Question put
(pursuant to
S.O. Closure
of Debate.)

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 249.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond;

Tellers for the { Mr. Conybeare, } 128.
Noes, { Mr. James Rowland;

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Conybeare, } 118.
Yeas, { Mr. James Rowland;

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 255.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond;

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Local
Government
Provisional
Orders (No. 11)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local
Government
Provisional
Orders (Gas)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lancashire and
Yorkshire Rail-
way Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary
Education Pro-
visional Order
Confirmation
(London) Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under "The Elementary Education Act, 1870," to enable the School Board for London to put in force "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," and the Acts amending the same; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary
Education Pro-
visional Order
Confirmation
(London) Bill
[Lords.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill, was read the first time.

Bill 334.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 11) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(Gas) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas) Bill, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE N° 63 (Transfer of county property and liabilities).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 53, l. 13, to leave out the words "or any division or part thereof."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 53, l. 28,

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after the word "power," to insert the words "to acquire for county purposes and."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 53, l. 33, to leave out from the word "Council" to the word "to" in l. 35.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause to add the words "The County Council shall have authority to receive any monies now received by the Court of Quarter Sessions, and to apply the same to the same purposes at the present time."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 64, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 65 (Funds of County Council).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 55, l. 24, to leave out the word "six," in order to insert the word "twelve."

Question proposed, That the words "six" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 66 (Borrowing by County Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 55, l. 32, after the word "County" to insert the words "existing at the passing of this Act."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 55, l. 33, to leave out Sub-section (b.)

Question put, That Sub-section (b.) stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Brunner, } 93.
Yeas, { Mr. Winterbotham;

Tellers for the { Lord Lynton, } 173.
Noes, { Sir John Dorrington;

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 56, to leave out Sub-section (f.);

Question put, That the words "for making advances" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 224.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond;

Tellers for the { Mr. Halley-Stewart. } 117.
Noes, { Sir Walter Foster;

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 56, l. 8, after the word "and" to insert the words "for making grants (which they are hereby authorised to make) to any person or bodies of persons, corporate or unincorporate, in aid of the boarding out, training, and emigration of poor children and."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 56, ls. 9 and 10, to leave out the words "or the County Council."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 56, l. 35, after the word "or," to insert the words "the liability for which is."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 57, l. 6,

to leave out the word "sixty," in order to insert the word "thirty."

Question, That the word "sixty" stand part of the Clause—put, and negatived.

Question put, That the word "thirty" be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 253.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Viscount Wolmer, } 136.
Noes, { Mr. Channing:

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 17th July, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Supply
[1st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of June last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution (Colonial Office) reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Supply
[21st June.]
(Military Law.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was, upon the 28th day of June last, postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Weights and
Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Weights and Measures Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Sea Fisheries
Regulation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Excise Duties
(Local Pur-
poses) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Land Law
(Ireland)
(Land Com-
mission) [Re-
muneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on *Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration]*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary
Under Secre-
tary to the
Lord Lieu-
tenant of
Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Bill*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on *Imperial Defence [Expenses]*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *National Defence Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on *Imperial Defence [Expenses]*;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on *Imperial Defence [Expenses]*;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (*Scotland*) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Tithe Rent-Charge Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Technical Instruction Bill*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Universities (Scotland) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Criminal Evidence Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Bann Drainage Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Bann Drainage Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill.
Barrow Drainage Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Barrow Drainage Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill [Lords.]
Shannon Drainage Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Shannon Drainage Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill.
Supply.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill.
Glebe Lands Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill.
Bail (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]
Oaths Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read the third time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	Advertisement Rating Bill.
Small Debts (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buildings (Metropolis) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	Buildings (Metropolis) Bill.
Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill.
Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.
School Board for London Election Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill.
Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill.
Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill.	The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sale of
Intoxicating
Liquors on
Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Intoxicating
Liquors (New
Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary
Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Names of the Savings Banks in the United Kingdom that have failed, stopped payment, or been discontinued since the 14th day of June 1852:—And, of the Amount of Loss (as far as it can be ascertained) that has been sustained by Depositors in each of these Establishments (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 471, of Session 1852).

Bribery
(Public
Bodies) Pre-
vention.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Prevention and Punishment of Bribery and Corruption of and by Members, Officers, or Servants of Corporations, Councils, Boards, Commissions, or other Public Bodies: And that Lord Randolph Churchill, Sir Robert Fowler, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Whitbread, Sir Henry James, and Mr. Richard Power do prepare, and bring it in.

Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to constitute a Special Commission to inquire into the Charges and Allegations made against certain Members of Parliament, and other persons, by the Defendants in the recent trial of an Action, entitled, "*O'Donnell v. Walter* and another": And that Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Secretary Matthews, and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring it in.

Bribery
(Public
Bodies) Pre-
vention Bill.
Bill 335.

Lord Randolph Churchill presented a Bill for the more effectual Prevention and Punishment of Bribery and Corruption of and by Members, Officers, or Servants of Corporations, Councils, Boards, Commissions, or other Public Bodies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations)
Bill.
Bill 336.

Mr. Solicitor General presented a Bill to constitute a Special Commission to inquire into the Charges and Allegations made against certain Members of Parliament, and other persons, by the Defendants in the recent trial of an Action, entitled, "*O'Donnell v. Walter* and another: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 17th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Bill [Lords.]

the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rosendale Valley Tramways Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Cheadle Railway, Mineral, and Land Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (*West Loch Tarbert*) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (*Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices), which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant July, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Naval Pensioners, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant July, be printed.

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account, prepared in pursuance of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883, showing the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of Bankruptcy Proceedings during the year ended 31st March 1888.

Ordered,

	Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.	
Mines (Accidents.)	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of <i>Ralph Moore</i> , Esquire, Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines, of Inquiry held by direction of the Secretary of State into a Fatal Accident to <i>Thomas Brown</i> , at No. 9 Pit, <i>Morningside Colliery</i> , in January 1888.	Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.	
Metropolitan Police in Attendance on the Houses of Parliament.	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the Metropolitan Police in attendance on the Houses of Parliament.	Sir <i>Lyon Playfair</i> reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill (re-committed in so far as it relates to the <i>Torquay</i> Order); That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; that, pursuant to an Instruction of the House of the 4th day of this instant July, they had inserted provisions in the Bill to repeal the 38th Section of the " <i>Torquay</i> Harbour and District Act, 1886"; and that they had directed him to report the same, with Amendments, to the House.	Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill (<i>Torquay</i> Order) [Provisional Orders confirmed.]
Polling Districts (West Riding of Yorkshire.)	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Local Authority for the West Riding of <i>Yorkshire</i> , dividing certain portions of the West Riding anew into Polling Districts, and assigning a Polling Place to each District.	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.	
	Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.	Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.	
Education (England and Wales.)	Sir <i>William Hart Dyke</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Council on Education (<i>England and Wales</i>), with Appendix, 1887-88.	Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:	
Education Department (Training Colleges.)	Copies of Reports relating to Training Colleges for the year 1887.	The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, without any Amendment.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.
Education Department (General Reports.)	Copies of General Reports by the Chief Inspectors of the Metropolitan, East and West Central, North Western, and South Eastern Divisions for the year 1887.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>West Ham</i> Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	<i>West Ham</i> Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill.
	Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.	The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.
Lunacy.	The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of the Forty-second Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy to the Lord Chancellor.	The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill.
Charitable Trusts (Rent Charges.)	Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Rent Charges subject to Charitable Trusts in the Counties of <i>Cumberland</i> , <i>Devon</i> , <i>Warwick</i> , <i>Derby</i> , <i>Suffolk</i> , and <i>Worcester</i> , returned as paid in the Reports of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1819-37, and not now paid.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>London, Tilbury, and Southend</i> Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	<i>London, Tilbury, and Southend</i> Railway Bill.
	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>London</i> Tramways (Various Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	<i>London</i> Tramways (Various Powers) Bill.
Debates and Proceedings in Parliament. No. 284.	Mr. <i>Jackson</i> reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords to inquire and report as to the Cost and Method of the Publication of the Debates and Proceedings in Parliament, that they have considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>London</i> and <i>Saint Katharine</i> and <i>East and West India Docks</i> Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	<i>London</i> and <i>Saint Katharine</i> and <i>East and West India Docks</i> Bill.
	Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.	The Lords have agreed to the <i>Nelson</i> Local Board Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	<i>Nelson</i> Local Board Bill.
Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.	Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Habitual Drunkards Act (1879) Amendment (No. 2) Bill be now taken into consideration.	The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the <i>Falkirk</i> and District Water Bill, without Amendment.	<i>Falkirk</i> and District Water Bill [Lords.]
	The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.	The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to constitute and also to extend the jurisdiction of High Courts of Judicature in <i>India</i> ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.	High Courts in <i>India</i> Bill [Lords.]
	Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.	Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.
Army Estimates (Fifth and Final Report.) No. 285.	Lord <i>Randolph Churchill</i> reported from the Select Committee on Army Estimates; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.	Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.	Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill.
	VOL. 143.	The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (<i>England and Wales</i>) Bill.	Local Government (<i>England and Wales</i>) Bill.
		(In the Committee.)	
		CLAUSE, N° 67 (Issue of county stock). Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Provided that the councils	
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"of two or more adjacent counties may combine to issue stock for their joint and several purposes, and, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, may fix the proper contributions for interest, sinking fund, and expenses applicable to such stock, to be defrayed from time to time by each county so combining, according to its liability for the same, or any part thereof."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 68, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 69 (Audit of accounts of county council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 59, l. 6, after the word "shall" to insert the words, "in the absence of any provision made by the council for the due and proper auditing of its accounts, or of those of the county treasurer or officers of the council, by a properly qualified accountant."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Where before the passing of this Act a county auditor has been appointed for a county, he shall be the auditor of the accounts of the county council, and shall for that purpose have and exercise all the powers and duties of an auditor under this section, and any vacancy in his office shall be from time to time supplied by the county council."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 70 to N° 73, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 74 to N° 78, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 79 (Payments out of fund and finance committee of county council and district council (not a borough)).

Amendment proposed, in p. 68, l. 41, to leave out from the word "by" to the word "council," in order to insert the words, "the chairman of the meeting at which any payments are ordered to be made."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 69, l. 8, to leave out the word "finance," in order to insert the word "standing."

Question, That the word "finance" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 80 (Appointment of joint committees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 69, l. 30, after the word "interested," to insert the words, "and for carrying into effect any of the purposes of this Act."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 81, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 82 (Clerk of the peace and of county council).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 70, l. 36, after the word "county," to insert the words, "He shall have his offices in the county town, and shall reside within three miles thereof."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 70, l. 37, to leave out Sub-section (4), in order to insert the words, "He may from time to time appoint a person who has practised for not less than seven years as a barrister or solicitor to act as his deputy as respects the judicial business and all other matters transacted by the court of quarter sessions, either during his illness or absence, or in the second court on the division of the court of quarter sessions for judicial business. The county council may from time to time appoint a deputy clerk of the county council, to hold office during their pleasure, and to act in lieu of the clerk of the county council in case of his illness or absence, or in such other cases as may be determined by the council; and wherever a deputy so acts, all things authorised or required to be done by, to, or before the clerk of the county council may be done by, to, or before any such deputy. Subject, as aforesaid, all officers acting under the clerk of the peace shall be appointed by the county council, or if appointed solely for the purpose of the judicial business and other matters transacted by the court of quarter sessions, then by the joint committee."

Question proposed, That Sub-section (4) stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 71, l. 5, after the word "peace" to insert the words, "and deputy clerk respectively."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 83, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 84, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 85 to N° 88, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 89, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 90, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 91 to N° 95, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 96 (Interpretation of certain terms in the Act).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 78, l. 5, after the words "eighteen hundred and seventy-five," to insert the words, "and the expression 'property' shall further include, in the case of the county of Chester, any surplus revenue of the River Weaver Trust, which is or would, but for this Act, be payable to the court of quarter sessions."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 97 and N° 98, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 99 and N° 100, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 101 (Preliminary action of county councillors as provisional council).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 81, l. 34, after the word "council" to insert the words, "This vote to be taken by ballot, each provisional councillor to vote for no greater number than three-fifths of the selected councillors to be elected."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 81, l. 34, after the word "council," to insert the words, "save that at each such first meeting or adjournment"

"ment each councillor shall only vote for one county alderman:"

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hobhouse, } 88.

Yeas, (Baron Dimsdale :

Tellers for the (Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 99.

Noes, (Colonel Waltrond :

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 102 (First proceedings of provisional council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 82, l. 9, before the word "to," to insert the words, "subject to the provisions of this Act."

Question proposed, That those be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 103 to N° 106, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 107 to N° 110, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 111, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 112 (Transitory provision as to lunatic asylums).

Amendment proposed, in p. 89, l. 17, to leave out from the word "office" to the end of the sub-section, in order to insert the words, "for one year conjointly with the committee of visitors appointed by the county council."

Question proposed, That the words "until the expiration of," stand part of the Clause:—

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 113 to N° 115, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 116 (As to existing justices in Metropolis).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Any person who is an existing deputy lieutenant for any of the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Surrey*, and *Kent*, or for the *Tower Hamlets*, or any hamlet or liberty in the said counties, who occupies property in the County of *London*, shall be a deputy lieutenant of the County of *London* as if he had been appointed by the lieutenant thereof."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 117 (Existing clerks of the peace and other officers).

Amendment proposed, in p. 93, l. 17, to leave out the words "subject as in this Act mentioned," in order to insert the words "continue to be such clerk of the peace, and shall, subject to the provisions respecting certain counties in this Act mentioned."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 93, l. 20, to leave out the word "office," in order to insert the words "offices of clerk of the peace and clerk of the county council."

Question proposed, That the word "office" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 93, l. 39, to leave out the words "are officers (whether inspectors of weights and measures, public analysts, inspectors of petroleum or explosives, or other)," in order to insert, "or any other officer or appointment in the gift."

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Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 118 (As to officers transferred to county or district councils).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 94, l. 31, after the word "remunerated," to insert the words "or emoluments."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 94, l. 33, after the word "passed," to insert the words, "and in case of dispute shall have a right of appeal to the Local Government Board, whose decision shall be final."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 119 (Compensation to existing officers).

Amendment proposed, in p. 95, l. 11, to leave out the words, "or by diminution or loss of fees or otherwise."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 96, l. 3, after the word "protest," to insert the words, "acting on behalf of the other subscribers or a majority of them."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 120, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 121, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 122 to N° 124, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 125, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 18th July, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bann Drainage Bill.

Second Reading of the *Bann Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Barrow Drainage Bill.

Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shannon Drainage Bill.

Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Bail (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Law of Distress Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breach of Promise of Marriage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Beer Adulteration Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Factors Acts Consolidation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Charities Restitution Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant July.

Moveable Abodes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Divorce Cases (Perjury) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce Cases (Perjury) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant July.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant July.

Ordered, That the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 18th July, 1888.

PRAYERS.

THE London Sea Water Supply Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North Cornwall Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath

hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 10) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Pier and
Harbour Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seven-
teenth Report.

Bankruptcy
Act, 1883
(Proceedings.)
No. 287.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Bankruptcy Act, 1883 (Proceedings), which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant July, be printed.

Metropolitan
Police in
Attendance on
the Houses of
Parliament.
No. 288.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Metropolitan Police in attendance on the Houses of Parliament, which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant July, be printed.

Lunacy.
No. 289.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Lunacy, which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant July, be printed.

Unions
(Ireland)
(Liabilities and
Assets).

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of June last, for Returns relative to Unions (Ireland) (Liabilities and Assets).

Horse and
Cattle Breed-
ing (Ireland).

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Horse and Cattle Breeding (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Shipping
Casualties,
1886-87.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Abstracts of the Returns made to the Board of Trade of Shipping Casualties which occurred on and near the Coasts or in Rivers and Harbours of the United Kingdom from the 1st July 1886 to the 30th June 1887; also of the Returns made to the Board of Trade, during the year 1886-87, of Shipping Casualties which occurred to *British* Vessels elsewhere than on the Coasts of the United Kingdom; and to Foreign Vessels on or near the Coasts or in Rivers and Harbours of *British* Possessions Abroad; with Particulars of Lives lost by such Casualties; and of Lives saved at Sea; also of the Returns made to the Registrar General of Seamen during the year 1886-87, of the Lives lost from *British* Vessels by Accidents other than Casualties to the Vessels and by Disease, &c.; together with Abstracts of the Official Inquiries in the United Kingdom into the Causes of Sea Casualties held by Order of the Board of Trade during the year 1886-87, and of the Official Inquiries Abroad, instituted by Consular and Colonial Officers and others into the Causes of Sea Casualties, of which Reports were received at the Board of Trade during the year 1886-87, and of other Investigations at Home and Abroad which affected the Certificates of Masters and Officers in the Mercantile Marine, with Charts and Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Eight Clauses added.

Another Clause (Enactments with regard to levying of rates under Act)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

After Debate thereon;

Mr. *Buchanan* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed;

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Arnold Morley</i> ,	} 174.
Yeas,	Mr. <i>Marjoribanks</i> ;	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 229.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> ;	

Three other Clauses added.

Another Clause (Qualification of medical officers of health)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bann Drainage* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Bail (Scotland)* Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The Liability of Trustees Bill was read a second time; and committed to the Standing Committee on Law, Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

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Resolved,

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fishing in Rivers Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Slavery Law Consolidation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Slavery Law Consolidation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Friendly Societies (Transmission of Money) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies (Transmission of Money) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Seamen (Widows' and Orphans' Pensions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Burials Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burials Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage Law Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

School Board for London Election Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Moveable Abodes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 19th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Lambourn Valley Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order made upon the 14th day of February last, That the Dore and Chinley Railway Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Thirty-first Report, being for the year 1887, of the Inspector appointed, under the provisions of the Act 5 & 6 Will. 4, c. 38, to visit the certified Reformatory and Industrial Schools of Great Britain.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, — Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 15th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Employers' Liability Act, 1880.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Belfast Union.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Order of the Secretary of State, under "The Factory and Workshop Act, 1878," extending Special Exception.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Thames
Conservancy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—General Report of the Conservators of the River Thames, from the 1st of January 1887 to the 31st December 1887, with Accounts of Moneys received and expended by them, for the year ended 31st December 1887.

Mortmain
Licences.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Licences to hold Lands in Mortmain granted to Bodies Corporate during the present Reign, showing the Dates of such Licences, and the Quantities of Land, if stated, to which such Licences relate respectively.

House of
Commons.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Names of all present Members of the House of Commons, who are in receipt of Public Money from the National Exchequer, whether in the form of Salary, Pay, Pension, Allowance of any kind, or who have received Commutation in respect thereof, or under the Commutation Acts, with separate Columns, showing the Names of the Constituencies for which they sit, the Amounts they receive or have commuted, with the Amount of the Commutation Money, and the Name of the Office or Nature of the Service for which the Money is or has been paid (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 304, of Session 1872).

Aire and Calder
Navigation Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That the Parties appearing before the Select Committee on the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill, have leave to print the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, day by day, from the Committee Clerk's copy, if they think fit.

Forest of Dean
Turnpike
Trust.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the abolition of the Forest of Dean Turnpike Trust: And that Mr. Long and Mr. Ritchie do prepare, and bring it in.

Forest of Dean
Turnpike
Trust Bill.
Bill 337.

Mr. Long accordingly presented a Bill for the abolition of the Forest of Dean Turnpike Trust: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Enniskillen,
Bundoran, and
Sligo Railway
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Enniskillen, Bundoran, and Sligo Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Manchester,
Sheffield, and
Lincolnshire
Railway (New
Railways) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Kensington
Square
Improvements
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Kensington Square Improvements Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Edinburgh and
Leith Corpora-
tions Gas Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Bill, without Amendment.

East and West
Yorkshire
Union
Railways Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Bill, without Amendment.

Greenock
Harbour Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Greenock Harbour Bill, without Amendment.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Qualification of medical officers of health). (Except where the Local Government Board, for reasons brought to its notice, may see fit in particular cases specially to allow, no person shall hereafter be appointed the medical officer of health of any district, or the deputy of any such officer, unless he be legally qualified for the practice of medicine, surgery, and midwifery; nor shall any person after the first day of January One thousand eight hundred and ninety-two be appointed the medical officer of health of any district or districts containing a population of fifty thousand or more inhabitants, unless he be registered in the medical register as the holder of a diploma in sanitary science, public health, or state medicine under Section twenty-one of "The Medical Act, 1886".)

Question, That the Clause be read a second time—put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in ls. 4 and 5, to leave out the words "legally qualified for the practice of medicine, surgery, and midwifery," in order to insert the words "for the time being registered under 'The Medical Act, 1858,' or 'any Acts amending the same.'"

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 4, after the word "qualified," to insert the words "in Great Britain and Ireland."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to, and added.

Another Clause added.

Another Clause (Council may recommend persons to be justices of peace)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Arthur Williams, } 168.
Yeas, { Mr. Samuel Smith: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 217.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Another Clause (Power to county council to promote and oppose Bills)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Firth, } 107.
Yeas, { Mr. Kenrich: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 115.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Another Clause (Provision for borough which may hereafter obtain a population of 50,000)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time—put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Power to London Council to submit schemes to re-arrange Municipal Government)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Bills for transference of hackney and stage carriages, and powers to supply water and light)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Firth, } 106.
Yeas, { Mr. James Stuart: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 146.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Ten other Clauses added.

Another Clause (County asylum pensions to be fixed by the visitors)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause added.

Another Clause (Saving for charters, local Acts, &c.)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Three other Clauses added.

Another Clause (Additional powers to county council)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Conybeare, } 108.
Yeas, { Mr. Halley Stewart: }
Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 204.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Another Clause added.

Another Clause (Certain boroughs may apply to county council for orders declaring roads within such borough to be main roads)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Pension fund for officers appointed under this Act)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

The First Schedule disagreed to.

The Second and Third Schedules agreed to.

The Fourth and Fifth Schedules disagreed to.
New Schedule.

County Boroughs.

Name of Borough.	Name of County in which for the purpose of this Act the Borough is deemed to be situate.
Barrow	Lancaster.
Bath	Somerset.
Birkenhead	Chester.
Birmingham	Warwick.
Blackburn	Lancaster.
Bolton	Lancaster.
Bootle cum Linacre	Lancaster.
Bradford	York, West Riding.
Brighton	Sussex.
Bristol	Gloucester.
Burnley	Lancaster.
Bury	Lancaster.
Canterbury	Kent.
Cardiff	Glamorgan.
Chester	Chester.
Coventry	Warwick.
Croydon	Surrey.
Derby	Derby.
Devonport	Devon.
Exeter	Devon.
Gateshead	Durham.
Gloucester	Gloucester.
Great Yarmouth	Norfolk and Suffolk.
Halifax	York, West Riding.
Hanley	Stafford.
Huddersfield	York, West Riding.
Ipswich	Suffolk.
Kingston-upon Hull	York, East Riding.
Leeds	York, West Riding.
Leicester	Leicester.
Lincoln	Lincoln (Parts of Lindsey).

County Boroughs—continued.

Name of Borough.	Name of County in which for the purpose of this Act the Borough is deemed to be situate.
Liverpool	Lancaster.
Manchester	Lancaster.
Middlesbrough	York, North Riding.
Newcastle-upon-Tyne	Northumberland.
Northampton	Northampton.
Norwich	Norfolk.
Nottingham	Nottingham.
Oldham	Lancaster.
Plymouth	Devon.
Portsmouth	Hants.
Preston	Lancaster.
Reading	Berks.
Rochdale	Lancaster.
Saint Helen's	Lancaster.
Salford	Lancaster.
Sheffield	York, West Riding.
Southampton	Hants.
South Shields	Durham.
Stockport	Chester and Lancaster.
Sunderland	Durham.
Swansea	Glamorgan.
Walsall	Stafford.
West Bromwich	Stafford.
West Ham	Essex.
Wigan	Lancaster.
Wolverhampton	Stafford.
Worcester	Worcester.
York	York, West Riding.

—brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, after the word "Leicester," to insert the word "Lichfield."

Question, That the word "Lichfield" be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, after the word "York," to leave out the word "West," in order to insert the word "North."

Question proposed, That the word "West" stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to, and added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed. **Bill 338.**

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said [Colonial Office] Resolution, reported from the Committee of Supply; [1st June] [Colonial Office.]

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supreme Court the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time; of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill; Fund (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The

Merchant
Shipping (Life
Saving
Appliances)
Bill [Lords.]

The Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

East India
Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *East India* Officers Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill, as amended in the Committee; *Ordered*, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supply
[21st June]
Report
(Postponed
Resolution.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then postponed; *Ordered*, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Weights and
Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade, &c.
Sea Fisheries
Regulation
Bill.

The Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to the Standing Committee on Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures.

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee; *Ordered*, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Universities
(Scotland)
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Glebe Lands
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill; *Ordered*, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Bann Drainage
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bann* Drainage Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Speaker
withholds his
Assent, and
declines then
to put the
Question.

Mr. *Lea* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question. Then the House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put
(pursuant to
S. O. Closure
of Debate.)

Mr. *Macartney* rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put"; And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put"; And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 20th July, 1888:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Macartney*, } 194.
Yeas, { Mr. *Lea*;

Tellers for the { Mr. *Conybeare*, } 106.
Noes, { Mr. *Molloy*;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
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And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 189.
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond*;

Tellers for the { Mr. *Illingworth*, } 64.
Noes, { Mr. *James Stuart*;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

And, Objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Barrow Second Reading of the *Barrow* Drainage Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shannon Second Reading of the *Shannon* Drainage Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey* Gunpowder Factory Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Bail (Scotland) into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee; *Ordered*, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Oaths Bill. Reading of the Oaths Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Corn-Intoxicating mittee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill; *Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Allotments Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Agricultural Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Advertisement Second Reading of the Advertisement Rating Bill; *Ordered*

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Health
(Prevention
of Infectious
Diseases, &c.)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read second time upon Monday next.

Church Sites
(Compulsory
Powers
Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bribery
(Public
Bodies) Pre-
vention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bribery (Public Bodies) Prevention Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Trafalgar
Square
(Regulation
of Meetings)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sale of
Intoxicating
Liquors on
Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland)
Act, 1882
(More
Mortification.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme for the Management of the Endowments in the Parish of *Morebattle*, in the County of *Roxburgh*, known as the *More Mortification*, approved by the *Scottish Education Department*, now lying upon the Table of the House:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Speaker
declines to
propose the
Question.

Mr. *Conway* rose to move the Adjournment of the Debate; but, Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Motion would be an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

Then the House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Original Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. *Arthur Elliot*, } 78.
Yeas, (Mr. *Buchanan*: }

Tellers for the (Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 102.
Noes, (Colonel *Walrond*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 20th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

West Ham
Corporation
(Loans, &c.)
Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *West Ham Corporation (Loans, &c.) Bill*; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill* be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Tilbury and Southend Railway Bill* be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London Tramways (Various Powers) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Nelson Local Board Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Seven-
teenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant July, be printed.

Employers'
Liability Act,
1880.
No. 290.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Thames Conservancy*, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant July, be printed.

Thames
Conservancy.
No. 291.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, *Belfast*, for the Session 1887-88.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Jackson* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of June last, for a Return relative to Public Income and Expenditure (1887-88).

Public Income
and Expendi-
ture, 1887-88.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented,—by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 19) (*Barbadoes*).

Colonial
Possessions
(Barbadoes.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report to the Board of Trade upon Railway Accidents which have occurred on the Railways of the United Kingdom during the year 1887.

Railway
Accidents.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, viz.:

Provisional
Order Bills
[Lords]
(Standing
Order appli-
cable thereto
complied with.)

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr.

Chesham,
Boxmoor,
and Hemel
Hempstead
Steam Tram-
ways Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had made provision in the Bill in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 13th day of July; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Collingbourne
and Avon
Valley Railway
Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the *Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Bill*, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vale of Clyde
Tramways Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill*; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Brighton
Marine Palace
and Pier Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the *Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill*; That, in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 28th day of February last, the Committee was satisfied that the conditions contained in such Resolution have been complied with.

Mr. Courtney further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Medina
Subway Bill
[Lords.]

Mr. Courtney reported the *Medina Subway Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Indian Stamps
and Stamped
Paper.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Contract recently entered into with Messrs. *De la Rue* for printing the *Indian Stamps and Stamped Paper*.

High Courts
in India Bill
[Lords.]
Bill 339.

The *High Courts in India Bill* was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Privilege.

Complaint made to the House by Lord *Randolph Churchill*, Member for *South Paddington*, of a Letter written by Mr. *Conybeare*, Member for the *Camborne Division of Cornwall*, and published in the "*Star*" Newspaper of this evening, reflecting on the conduct of the Speaker of this House in the Chair.

The said Paper was delivered in, and the Letter complained of read, as followeth:—

Mr. *Conybeare* and The Speaker.

To the Editor of the "*Star*."

Sir,

I hope that every true Liberal will realise the scandalous proceedings which to-night marked the Second Reading of the *Bann Drainage Bill*. This is one of three Bills of a purely local character, proposing to grant for the benefit of a number of *Irish* landlords a sum of nearly half a

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million sterling out of the pockets of the already over-taxed poor of this Country. Upon the Second Reading I moved a Resolution noting the above facts, and declaring that such works should be undertaken by an *Irish* Home Rule Parliament, and not at the expense of *English, Scotch, and Welsh* taxpayers, who are already overburdened with the cost of coercing *Ireland*. I had spoken but a quarter of an hour when one of the Tory rank and file moved the Closure, and the Speaker, who is supposed to exercise his discretion impartially for the protection of the minority, at once put the Question. Such a proceeding I stated later on was nothing short of a public scandal, and although, in obedience to the rules of Parliamentary decorum (which require that a Member should not by passing a reflection on the Speaker reflect upon the whole House), I withdrew the expression when called upon to do so, I have not the slightest doubt but that every Radical outside the House (as are most of those within it) is of the same opinion. For here is a Bill deliberately handing over vast sums of *English* money as a gift to *Irish* landlords, and we, *English, Scotch, and Welsh* representatives, are not to be allowed even half an hour's debate as to whether it is a justifiable proceeding or not. The Government says you shall not debate the matter, and Mr. Speaker backs them up. I hope every elector in the Speaker's constituency will be careful to mark his conduct.

As I may be blamed for withdrawing my description of this proceeding, I may add that I did it deliberately for the following reasons:—

1. The withdrawal of an unparliamentary expression does not do away with the effect produced by using it. Nor does it imply any alteration of a deliberately expressed opinion. It remains on record.

"*He gloss' homomoch', he dè phrèa anomotós.*"

2. Suspension from the House would do no good to anyone except by pleasing the Tory Government, who would be delighted to be rid of a very uncomfortable thorn in their side.

3. My desire and my duty being to prevent the passing of these objectionable Bills, I should simply have forwarded the plans of the Government, and defaulted on my duty to my constituency, had I caused myself to be suspended for a week.

The only effect of the blundering stupidity of the Government to-night has been to arouse (as I hope) the vigilant opposition of every true Radical and Liberal against these mischievous and objectionable Bills. I intend to oppose them to the utmost at every point, and I rely on every true representative of the *British* taxpayer to do the same.

Yours, &c.

C. A. V. Conybeare.

House of Commons, 19 July.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That in the opinion of this House the Letter in the "*Star*" Newspaper of this evening's date, entitled, "*Mr. Conybeare and the Speaker*," and signed by the honourable Member for the *Camborne Division of Cornwall*, is a gross libel upon the Speaker of the House of Commons, and deserves the severest condemnation of the House:—

Mr. *Conybeare* was heard in his place:—After which Mr. Speaker directed him to withdraw; and he withdrew accordingly.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out the words "*libel upon the Speaker of the House of Commons*," and inserting the words "*breach of Privilege*."

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And

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 245.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 168.
Noes, { Mr. Dillwyn:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the Letter in the "Star" Newspaper of this evening's date, entitled, "Mr. Conybeare and the Speaker," and signed by the honourable Member for the Camborne Division of Cornwall, is a gross libel upon the Speaker of the House of Commons, and deserves the severest condemnation of the House.

Member
suspended.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Conybeare, Member for the Camborne Division of Cornwall, be suspended from the Service of the House for the remainder of the Session;

An Amendment was proposed, to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "for the remainder of the Session," and inserting the words "one week" instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "for the remainder of the Session" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "the remainder of the Session," in order to add the words "one fortnight," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "remainder of the Session" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Dr. Tanner, } 133.
Yeas, { Mr. Wm. Redmond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 277.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "remainder of the Session" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 229.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 152.
Noes, { Mr. Dillwyn:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, at the end thereof, to add the words "or for one calendar month, whichever shall first terminate."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, as amended, being put;

Resolved, That Mr. Conybeare, Member for the Camborne Division of Cornwall, be suspended from the service of the House for the remainder of the Session, or for one calendar month, whichever shall first terminate.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of the Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment (Scotland) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Bristol Port Railway and Pier Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [1st June.] upon the 12th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the first Resolution (Colonial Office), reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 24,701, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for England and Wales, including the Endowed Schools Department:

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,477, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, £. 15,757, for Salaries, be reduced by the sum of £. 400:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,210, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Land Commissioners for England, and for defraying the repayable Expenses to be incurred in matters of Inclosure and Land Improvement, and under "The Extraordinary Tithe Redemption Act, 1886."

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Saturday, 21st July, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant July, That the Bann Drainage Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The

Barrow Drainage Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Barrow Drainage Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill.
Shannon Drainage Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Shannon Drainage Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.	Parliamentary Franchise (Extension to Women) Bill.
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Societies Act (1874) Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.	Building Societies Act (1874) Amend- ment Bill.
Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buildings (Metropolis) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	Buildings (Metropolis) Bill.
Universities (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill.
Glebe Lands Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	School Board for London Election Bill.
Waltham Abbey Gun- powder Factory Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Trafalgar Square</i> (Regulation of Meetings) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill.
Bail (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the <i>Bail (Scotland) Bill</i> , as amended in the Committee; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.
Partnership Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Select Committee on Friendly Societies do consist of Nineteen Members. <i>Ordered</i> , That Mr. Herbert Gladstone and Mr. Hubbard be added to the Committee.	Friendly Societies.
Places of Worship Sites Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.	A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme for the Management of the Endowments in the Parish of <i>Monymusk</i> , in the County of <i>Aberdeen</i> , known as the <i>Cullen Trust</i> , approved by the <i>Scottish Education Department</i> , now lying upon the Table of the House; The House divided. The Yeas to the Right: The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the Yeas, { Dr. Farquharson } 54. { Mr. Mark Stewart: } Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 96. { Colonel Walrond: } So it passed in the Negative.	Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882 (Cullen Trust).
Winchester Burgesses' Dis- qualification Removal Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Winchester Burgesses' Disqualification Removal Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.	<i>Ordered</i> , That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 19th day of July 1888, upon the Report of the Committee of the House of Commons, appointed in 1887, to consider the question of Perpetual Pensions.	Perpetual Pensions. No. 292.
Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scot- land) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Agricultural Labourers' Holidays (Scotland) Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.		
Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>Liquor Traffic Local Option (England) Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.		
School Board for London. (Pensions) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the <i>School Board for London (Pensions) Bill</i> ; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.		

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Five minutes before One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 23rd July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

North Cornwall Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *North Cornwall Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords.]

The *Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill* was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seventeenth Report.

Public Income and Expenditure, 1887-8. No. 293.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Income and Expenditure 1887-8, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant July, be printed.

Education (Science and Art Schools.)

Sir William Hart Dyke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Directory, revised to July 1888, with Regulations for Establishing

and Conducting Science and Art Schools and Classes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Agricultural Statistics of Ireland for the year 1887.

Copy of Forty-third Annual Report of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment (Scotland) Bill* be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Mr. Courtney reported the *Epping Church Bill*, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Public a Return of Public Expenditure (Exchequer Expenditure. Issues), Charges on Taxes, 1857-8 to 1887-8 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 237, of Session 1887).

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Committee on Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. No. 294.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 2nd day of August next; and be printed. Bill 340.

Ordered, That the Chairmen's Panel have leave to make a Special Report.

Mr. Campbell-Bannerman accordingly reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. Arthur O'Connor to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, in the place of Sir Matthew White Ridley.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the *Horse Guards Avenue Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Hexham Local Board Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Bristol Water Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Lancaster Corporation Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The

Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to establish Limited Partnerships; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law as to the Endowment of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers on Lloyd's with respect to Signal Stations and Telegraph Communication, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.] Bill 341.

The Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill [Lords.] Trade, &c.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee on the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures.

Supply [1st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution; and which Resolution was as followeth:

Colonial Offices.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 27,968, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including certain Expenses connected with Emigration;

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the original Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 24th July, 1888:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Law Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tithe Rent-Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tithe Rent-Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Forest of Dean Turnpike Trust Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 6th day of August next.

East India
Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *East India Officers Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Supply
[21st June.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then postponed;
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration this day.

Weights and
Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

High Courts in
India Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply
[20th July.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Bann Drainage
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant July, That the *Bann Drainage Bill* be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Barrow
Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Shannon
Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ways and
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Universities
(Scotland)
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Glebe Lands
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bail (*Scotland*)
Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Oaths Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Law of Distress Amendment Bill.

Law of Distress
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

(In the Committee.)

Postponed Clause, N^o 4 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (*Scotland*) Bill;

Small Debts
(*Scotland*) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (*Ireland*) Bill; (re-committed) Bill;

Intoxicating
Liquors
(*Ireland*) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Expenses Bill.

Metropolitan
Fire Brigade
Expenses Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Housing of
the Working
Classes Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill;

Vacant
Grounds
(Nuisances
Prevention)
Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill;

Augmentation
of Benefices
Act Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriages of Nonconformists (Attendance of Registrars) (No. 2) Bill;

Marriages of
Nonconform-
ists (Attend-
ance of Regis-
trars) (No. 2)
Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Torquay Harbour and District Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Torquay
Harbour and
District Act
(1886) Amend-
ment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Intoxicating
Liquors (New
Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Divorce Cases
(Perjury) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce Cases (Perjury) Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Public Meet-
ings in Open
Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Copyhold Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Slavery Law
Consolidation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Slavery Law Consolidation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Preferential
Payment of
Wages Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Allotments Act
(1887) Amend-
ment (No. 2)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Perpetuity
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Health
(Prevention of
Infectious
Diseases, &c.)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Church Sites
(Compulsory
Powers Re-
peal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Trafalgar
Square (Regu-
lation of Meet-
ings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Sale of Intoxi-
cating Liquors
on Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the facilities which exist for the Creation of Small Holdings in Land in Great Britain; whether, either in connection with an improved system of Local Government or otherwise, those facilities may be extended; whether, in recent years, there has been any diminution in the number of Small Owners and Cultivators of Land; and whether there is any evidence to show that such diminution is due to legislation.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Edward Birkbeck, Mr. Broadhurst, Sir George Campbell, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, Mr. Chaplin, Mr. Cobb, Mr. Jesse Collings, Viscount Curzon, Sir Charles Dalrymple, Sir William Hart Dyke, Mr. Thomas Ellis, Sir Walter Foster, Mr. Compton Laverance, Mr. Llewellyn, Mr. James William Lowther, Mr. Robert Reid, and Mr. Halley Stewart; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Sanitation of Dwelling Houses, Schools, Colleges, Hospitals, Factories, Work-shops, Hotels, Lodging Houses, and other Buildings within the United Kingdom: And that Dr. Farquharson, Sir Henry Roscoe, Sir Guyer Hunter, and Dr. Cameron do prepare, and bring it in.

Dr. Farquharson accordingly presented a Bill for the better Sanitation of Dwelling Houses, Schools, Colleges, Hospitals, Factories, Work-shops, Hotels, Lodging Houses, and other Buildings within the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next; and to be printed.

Sir John Kennaway reported from the Committee on Group No 8 of Railway Bills; That the parties promoting the Mersey Railway (No. 2) Bill had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the County Courts (Ireland) Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, do sit and proceed with the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill upon Thursday next, the 26th instant, at Twelve of the clock.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 24th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bristol Port Railway and Pier Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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The

Kensington
Square Im-
provements
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Kensington Square Improvements Bill*; and the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

London,
Tilbury, and
Southend Rail-
way Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill*;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seven-
teenth Report.

Belfast Union.
No. 295.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Belfast Union*, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant July, be printed.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill (Probate
Duty Grant.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement as to the proposed Distribution of the Probate Duty Grant amongst the Counties of *England* and *Wales* under the Provisions of the Local Government Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public
Expenditure.

Mr. *Jackson* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Public Expenditure.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Royal Parks
and Gardens.

Mr. *Plunket* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Cancellation, dated 21st July 1888, of Rules under "The Parks Regulation Act, 1872," dated 4th November 1882, for *Hyde Park*, *Saint James's* and the *Green Parks*.

Royal Parks
and Gardens.

Copy of Rules, dated 21st July 1888, under "The Parks Regulation Act, 1872," for *Hyde Park*, *Saint James's* and the *Green Parks*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports
(Annual Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 390 to 395.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Railway
Returns.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return as to the Capital, Traffic, Receipts, and Working Expenditure, &c. of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom, for the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Prosecution of
Offences Acts,
1879 and 1884.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the working of the Regulations made in 1886 for carrying out the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884, with Statistics setting forth the Number, Nature, Cost, and Results of the Proceedings instituted by the Director in accordance with those Regulations from the 1st day of January 1887 to the 31st day of December 1887 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 119, of Session 1887).

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Resolution of Government of *India* on State-Aided Education.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Rules and Regulations in force in the Prisons in *Ireland*.

The Order made upon the 29th day of June last, That the Paper relative to Public Records (Court of Exchequer) do lie upon the Table, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Lloyd's (Signal
Stations) Bill
[Lords.]
Bill 343.

The Local Bankruptcy (*Ireland*) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Local Bank-
ruptcy (*Ireland*)
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 344.

Sir *John Kennaway* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That the parties promoting the *Shropshire Railways Bill* had stated that the evidence of Mr. *John Bucknell Cooper* was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *John Bucknell Cooper* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *John Bucknell Cooper* do attend the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Sir *Henry Roscoe* reported from the Select Committee on the *Aire and Calder Navigation Bill*; who were instructed "to inquire, if they think fit, into the present mode of rating of the *Aire and Calder Navigation Undertaking* and property to all poor rates and other local rates, and whether it may be necessary or expedient to modify or alter the Undertakers' rights or privileges with respect thereto, under any of their local Acts or otherwise, and to make provision in the Bill for the same accordingly;" That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but that the Parties promoting the said Bill had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Sir *Henry Roscoe* further reported; That they had not therefore proceeded to determine whether any such modification or alteration of the Undertakers' rights or privileges were necessary or expedient, or to make any provision in the Bill for the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Act, 1883"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the custody of the Roll of Solicitors of the Supreme Court in *England* by the Incorporated Law Society, and otherwise to amend the Law relating to Solicitors; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The

Glebe Lands
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glebe Lands Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of this instant July, That the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Sir James Drummond, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Inebriates Act, 1888.
2. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 7) Act, 1888.
3. Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1888.
4. Drainage and Improvement of Lands Supplemental (Ireland) Act, 1888.
5. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1888.
6. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1888.
7. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1888.
8. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 8) Act, 1888.
9. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Act, 1888.
10. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 10) Act, 1888.
11. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Act, 1888.
12. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 12) Act, 1888.
13. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (Birmingham) Act, 1888.
14. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (Ballymoney, Clones, and Tuam) Act, 1888.
15. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1888.
16. Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1888.
17. Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Act, 1888.
18. Gas Orders Confirmation Act, 1888.
19. Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1888.
20. Water Orders Confirmation Act, 1888.
21. Water Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1888.

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22. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Gas) Act, 1888.

23. Latimer Road and Acton Railway Act, 1888.

24. Lincoln Corporation Act, 1888.

25. Aberdeen District Tramways Act, 1888.

26. Frodsham Gas and Water Act, 1888.

27. Saint Mary's Hospital (Newcastle-upon-Tyne) Act, 1888.

28. Limpsfield and Oxted Water Act, 1888.

29. West Surrey Water Act, 1888.

30. Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Act, 1888.

31. Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1888.

32. Liverpool Overhead Railway Company Act, 1888.

33. Manchester Ship Canal (Additional Lands) Act, 1888.

34. Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Act, 1888.

35. Limerick Harbour Act, 1888.

36. Midland Railway Act, 1888.

37. Falkirk and District Water Act, 1888.

38. Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Gas Act, 1888.

39. Enniskillen, Bundoran and Sligo Railway (Donegal Extension) Act, 1888.

40. East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Act, 1888.

41. Greenock Harbour Act, 1888.

42. Bute Docks Act, 1888.

43. London Sea Water Supply Act, 1888.

44. Rossendale Valley Tramways Act, 1888.

45. Ulster Canal and Tyrone Navigation Act, 1888.

46. Horse Guards Avenue Act, 1888.

47. Lambourn Valley Railway Act, 1888.

48. Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Act, 1888.

49. Joynt's Divorce Act, 1888.

50. Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham's Estate Act, 1888.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Sydney Gedge rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Then the House resumed the said Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That, after 1894, all Dividends received by the Treasury in respect of Suez Canal Shares, after deduction of the sum required for paying off the Bonds issued for the purchase of such Shares, be applied in paying the principal of the amount borrowed.

Question put;

The Committee proceeded to a Division, and the Chairman stated that he thought the Ayes had it; but his decision was challenged, and it appearing to the Chairman that the Division was vexatiously claimed, he directed the Noes to stand up in their places, and, one Member having stood up, the Chairman declared that the Ayes had it.

Resolved, That, after 1894, all dividends received by the Treasury in respect of Suez Canal Shares, after deduction of the sum required for

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Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations)
Bill.

Mr. Speaker
withholds his
Assent, and
declines to put
the Question.

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Decision
challenged.

paying off the Bonds issued for the purchase of such Shares, be applied in paying the principal of the amount borrowed.

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to raise such sum authorised to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund by means of Treasury Bills or Exchequer Bonds, the principal and interest of which shall be chargeable on the Consolidated Fund.

Resolved, That it is expedient to make provisions for carrying into effect the above objects.

Wednesday, 25th July, 1888 :

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

National
Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Tithe Rent-
Charge Re-
covery and
Variation Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Presumption of
Life (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[15th May.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses], several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That it is expedient to ratify an Agreement for Naval Defence made between Her Majesty's Government and the Governments of Her Majesty's Australasian Colonies.

2. That it is expedient to authorise the Issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums, not exceeding £. 850,000, as may be required for building, arming, and completing the Vessels mentioned in the Agreement.

3. That the sums so issued shall be repaid to the Consolidated Fund out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for Naval Services, by an Annuity of such amount as will repay the same, with interest at Three per Centum per annum within twelve years.

4. That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to raise such Sums by means of Terminable Annuities charged on the Consolidated Fund.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[4th June.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses], several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums, not exceeding £. 2,600,000, as may be required for the Defence of certain Ports and Coaling Stations, and making further provisions for Imperial Defence.

2. That interest at the rate of Three per centum per annum on such or so much of the said sum as may be borrowed, shall be paid out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for Army Services.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Tithe Rent-
Charge Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Forest of Dean Turnpike Trust Bill*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Railway and Canal Traffic Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was, upon the 28th day of June last, postponed; and the same was again read, as followeth:

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Pay of the Staff of Military Prisons and other Charges for the Administration of Military Law, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *High Courts in India Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,701, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for England and Wales, including the Endowed Schools Department.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,477, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed, upon the 20th day of this instant July, That the *Bann Drainage Bill* be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The

Shannon
Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Liquor Traffic
Local Veto
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Occupiers'
Disqualifica-
tion Removal
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Turbary
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Railway
Companies
(Carriage of
Fish) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Perpetuity
Leases (Ire-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Beer Adultera-
tion Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Factors Acts
Consolidation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Moveable
Abodes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Glebe Lands
Occupation
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Places of
Worship Sites
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Meet-
ings in Open
Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]
Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amend-
ment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Intoxi-
cating Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating
Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts
Second Reading of the County Courts (Ireland) Bill;
(Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

A Motion being made, That this House will Local Govern-
resolve itself into a Committee to consider of ment (England
authorising the payment out of the Consolidated and Wales)
Fund of the sum payable by the City of London [Shrievalty of
in respect of the Shrievalty of Middlesex, or of Middlesex.]
the amount which may be required for redeeming
such sum, in pursuance of the provisions of any
Act of the present Session relating to Local
Government in England and Wales;

Mr. Ritchie, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection Committee of
have leave to make a Special Report. Selection.

Sir John Mowbray accordingly reported from Law, &c.
the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure: Mr. Burdett-Coutts and Mr. Howard Vincent; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Darling and Mr. Dugdale.

Sir John Mowbray further reported from the Liability of
Committee of Selection; That they had added Trustees Bill
the following Fifteen Members to the Standing [Lords.]
Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in respect of the Liability of Trustees Bill: Sir George Baden-Powell, Mr. Chance, Mr. Coghill, Mr. Cozens-Hardy, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Gully, Mr. Haldane, Mr. Hastings, Mr. W. F. Lawrence, Mr. James William Lowther (Cumberland), Mr. Milvain, Mr. Robert Reid, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Bowen Rowlands, and Mr. Warmington.

Sir John Mowbray further reported; That Trade, &c.
they had added the following Fifteen Members Sea Fisheries
to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Regulation
Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manu- Bill.
factures, in respect of the Sea Fisheries Regu-
lation Bill: Mr. Ainslie, Commander Bethell, Mr. Burdett-Coutts, Sir Savile Crossley, Mr. Munro Ferguson, Mr. Maurice Healy, Mr. Jarvis, Mr. Johnston, Sir Wifrid Lawson, Mr. Lewis, Mr. James Lowther (Kent), Mr. Mallock, Mr. Marjoribanks, Mr. William M'Arthur, and Mr. Rowntree.

Sir John Mowbray further reported; That Merchant
they had added the following Fifteen Members Shipping (Life
to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Saving
Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manu- Appliances)
factures, in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords.]
(Life Saving Appliances) Bill: Mr. Ernest Beckett, Mr. Caine, Mr. Donkin, Mr. Duff, Mr. Evans, Mr. Gourley, Sir Edward Hamley, Admiral Mayne, Mr. Molloy, Mr. Neville, Sir Edward Reed, Sir William Tindal Robertson,
Mr.

Mr. Thomas Sutherland, Mr. Howard Vincent, and Mr. James Williamson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.] Bill 345.

The Limited Partnerships Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Charities Restitution Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the Charities Restitution Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill [Lords.]

Sir John Kennaway reported from the Committee on the Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 25th July, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Bill [Lords.]

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eighteenth Report.

Horse and Cattle Breeding (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Horse and Cattle Breeding (Ireland), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant July, be printed.

Public Expenditure. No. 298.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Expenditure, which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant July, be printed.

British Museum (Number of Visitors, &c.)

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to several Orders, dated the 15th day of June last, for Papers relative to the British Museum.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Local Government (England and Wales) [Shrievalty of Middlesex.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Local Government (England and Wales) [Shrievalty of Middlesex].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the Sum payable by the City of London in respect

of the Shrievalty of Middlesex, or of the Amount which may be required for redeeming such Sum, in pursuance of the provisions of any Act of the present Session relating to Local Government in England and Wales.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Transfer of pending business from superior courts): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 19 to l. 22, both inclusive, by leaving out the words "Provided that no railway company shall make, nor shall the Court or the Commissioners sanction any difference in the tolls, rates, and charges made for, or any difference in the treatment of, Home and Foreign merchandise in respect of the same or similar services."

And the Question being put, That the words "Provided that no railway company shall make, nor shall the Court or the Commissioners sanction any difference in the tolls, rates, and charges made for, or any difference in the treatment of Home and Foreign merchandise," stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 22, by inserting after the word "merchandise," the words "to the detriment of the former."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 28, by inserting after the word "railway," the words "the less being included in the greater distance."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 19, l. 15, by inserting the following Sub-section: "(7.) Every railway company shall, on the request of any navigation commissioners or of any clerk or collector appointed by such commissioners, give to such commissioners, or clerk, or collector, a true statement certified by an officer of such railway company of the quantity and weight of all merchandise, which shall have been unloaded or delivered at any wharf or premises of such railway company and weighed for the purpose of conveyance on their railway, the same having been conveyed in any boat or lighter or gang of boats or lighters upon the navigation of such commissioners or any part thereof, upon payment by such navigation commissioners or their clerk or collector of the sum of one shilling for every such certified statement, and shall allow such commissioners or their clerk or collector to compare such statement with the entry or entries in the books of such railway company with respect to such merchandise."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment

Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses], several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, after 1894, all Dividends received by the Treasury in respect of *Suez Canal* Shares, after deduction of the Sum required for paying off the Bonds issued for the purchase of such Shares, be applied in paying the Principal of the amount borrowed.

2. That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to raise such Sum authorised to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund by means of Treasury Bills or Exchequer Bonds, the Principal and Interest of which shall be chargeable on the Consolidated Fund.

3. That it is expedient to make provisions for carrying into effect the above objects.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[15th May.]

Ordered, That the Resolutions which, upon the 24th day of this instant July were reported from the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses], and which Resolutions were then agreed to by the House, be now read; and the same were read, as follow:

1. That it is expedient to ratify an Agreement for Naval Defence made between Her Majesty's Government and the Governments of Her Majesty's *Australasian* Colonies.

2. That it is expedient to authorise the Issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums, not exceeding £.850,000, as may be required for Building, Arming, and completing the Vessels mentioned in the Agreement.

3. That the Sums so issued shall be repaid to the Consolidated Fund, out of monies to be provided by Parliament for Naval Services, by an Annuity of such amount as will repay the same with Interest at three *per centum per annum*, within Twelve Years.

4. That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to raise such Sums by means of Terminable Annuities charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Imperial
Defence
[Expenses]
[4th June.]

1. That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums, not exceeding £.2,600,000, as may be required for the Defence of certain Ports and Coaling Stations, and making further provisions for Imperial Defence.

2. That Interest, at the rate of three *per centum per annum* on such or so much of the said Sum as may be borrowed, shall be paid out of monies to be provided by Parliament for Army Services.

Imperial
Defence.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions, and upon the Resolutions this day agreed to by the House: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Secretary Stanhope, and Lord George Hamilton do prepare, and bring it in.

National
Defence Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Defence Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Calling out for actual military service of Yeomanry and Volunteers).

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Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out from the word "Volunteers" to the end of the Clause.

Question proposed, That the words, "in like manner as if embodying were calling out for actual military service" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, after the words "*Great Britain*" to insert the words, "or *Ireland*."

Question, That the words, "or *Ireland*" be there inserted:—put, and Negatived.

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

After Debate thereon;

Mr. Brookfield rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put the Question:—Debate resumed;

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill; High Courts in India Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory* Bill; Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant July, That the *Bann Drainage* Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection; Bann Drainage Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage* Bill; Barrow Drainage Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage* Bill; Shannon Drainage Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill; Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill; Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill.

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Ordered, [Lords.]

	Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies (Transmission of Money) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.
Tithe Rent-Charge Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Burials Bill. Second Reading of the Burials Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Accumulations Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Accumulations Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.	The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage Law Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Fishing in Rivers Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the School Board for London Election Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
British and Irish Industry Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British and Irish Industry Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of August next.	The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.
Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following Letter, relating to the Arrest of a Member of this House :— Sir, 25 July 1888. I have the honour to inform you that Mr. J. J. O'Kelly, M.P. for Roscommon, was arrested last night in Mark Lane, in the City of London, on a warrant granted by H. Turner, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace for the County of Roscommon, and duly backed by me, a Metropolitan Police Magistrate, for taking part in an unlawful assembly, and for inciting other persons to take part in an unlawful assembly at Boyle, in the said County of Roscommon, and that the same Mr. J. J. O'Kelly has been handed over to officers of the Royal Irish Constabulary for conveyance to Ireland in custody under such warrant. I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, J. J. Ingham.
Companies Acts Consolidation and Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Acts Consolidation and Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.	To the Right Honourable The Speaker of the House of Commons. Mr. Jackson presented a Bill for defraying the Imperial Expenses of carrying into effect an Agreement for Naval Defence with the Australasian Colonies, and providing for the Defence of certain Ports and Coaling Stations, and for making further provision for Imperial Defence: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Sir
Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of August next.	
Ecclesiastical Dilapidations Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Dilapidations Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	
Rating of Machinery Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.	
Licensing Laws Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Laws Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.	
Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	

Shropshire
Railways Bill.

Sir John Kennaway reported from the Committee on the *Shropshire Railways Bill*; That, in pursuance of a Resolution of the House of the 3rd day of July instant, the name of the *Cambrian Railways Company* had been struck out of Clause 60 of the Bill.

Sir John Kennaway further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Solicitors
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 347.

The Solicitors Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Patents,
Designs, and
Trade Marks
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 348.

The Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Allotments
Act (1887)
Amendment
(No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 26th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Bristol Water
Bill.

THE House proceeded to take in consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Bristol Water Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Hexham
Local Board
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Hexham Local Board Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Lancaster
Corporation
Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Lancaster Corporation Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Metropolitan
Board of
Works
(Various
Powers) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London,
Tilbury, and
Southend
Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill*; and the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to several of them agreed to.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The *Epping Church Bill* was read the third time, and passed. Epping Church
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Clerk to carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The *Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments. Staffordshire
Potteries
Water Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which his House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *North British Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill. North British
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill*, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public
Petitions.
Vide High-
teenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *British Museum*, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant July, be printed. British
Museum.
No. 299.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of February last, for a Return relative to Savings Banks (1887). Savings Banks
(1887.)

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Accounts of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st December 1887, with the Certificate of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. National
School
Teachers
(Ireland)
Pension Fund.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Eruptive Diseases of the Teats and Udders of Cows in relation to Scarlet Fever in Man, by Professor Brown, C.B., with an Appendix. Agricultural
Department
(Eruptive
Diseases in
Cows.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of additional Rules and Regulations made by the Master of the Rolls respecting the public Use of the Records and Documents deposited in the Public Record Office. Public Record
Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Gorst presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *East India* (Education). East India
(Education.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sanitary Report for 1887 (No. 20, *Lagos*). Colonial
Possessions
(Lagos.)

Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 21, *Bahamas*). Colonial
Possessions
(Bahamas.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Switzerland
(No. 1, 1838.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the Accession of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to the International Union for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.

Trade Reports
(Annual Series.)

Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 396.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 99.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table,

Civil Service
Retirements.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Copy of the Register of Retired Civil Servants under Fifty years of Age, retired for causes other than Infirmary of Mind or Body, distinguishing such (if any) as were retired on full Salaries from those on part Pay.

Mortality
(General and Infant.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of General Annual Average Death Rate, all Ages and Causes, in England and Wales, per Million of Population during the Periods undermentioned, in the following Form:—

Periods.	Annual Average Death Rate (all Ages and Causes) per Million of Population.
In each year, from 1879 to 1886, inclusive - - -	

—Of Proportion of Deaths among Infants under One Year per Million of Births, and among Children between One and Five Years per Million of Deaths (all Ages and Causes), in England and Wales, during each Year from 1879 to 1886 inclusive, from each of the eight Causes specified in the following Form:—

Causes.	Deaths under One Year per Million of Births, and between One and Five Years per Million of Deaths (all Ages and Causes).							
	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Syphilis - - -	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.
Scrofula - - -	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).
Tubercles Mesenterica	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.
Skin Disease - - -	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).
Erysipelas - - -	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.
Bronchitis - - -	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).
Diarrhoea - - -	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.	Under One to Births.
Atrophy and Debility -	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).	One to Five to Total Deaths (all Ages and Causes).
Total Eight Causes -								
All other Causes -								
All Causes - - -								

—And, of Annual Average Proportion of Deaths from Small-pox at all Ages per Million of Population, and of Children under Five Years to Total, during the Periods 1847 to 1853, 1868 to 1877, 1878 to 1886 inclusive, respectively:—

Periods prior and subsequently to Enforced Vaccination.	Annual Average	
	Proportion of Deaths from Small-pox (all Ages) per Million of Population.	Proportion of Deaths from Small-pox under Five Years to Deaths (all Ages) from that Disease.
1847 to 1853, inclusive -		
1868 to 1877, inclusive -		
1878 to 1886, inclusive -		

(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 76, of Session 1880).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Deaths a Return for each year from 1879 to 1886, (England and inclusive, England and Wales.)

1. Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from Small-pox at each of the following Ages, to Total at all Ages from that Disease:—

Years.	Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from Small-pox to Total from that Disease.			
	Under One Year.	One and under Two.	Two and under Five.	Five and under Ten Years.
1879 to 1886				

2. Proportion of Deaths among Infants under One Year per Million of Births from each of the following Causes:—

Years.	Proportion of Deaths among Infants under One Year per Million of Births.									
	Syphilis.	Scrofula.	Tubercles Mesenterica.	Skin Disease.	Erysipelas.	Pyæmia and Phlegmon.	Bronchitis.	Diarrhoea.	Atrophy and Debility.	Total Nine Causes.
1879 to 1886										

(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 392, of Session 2, 1880).

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Expense of collecting Statistics relating to Sea Fisheries under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the regulation of the Sea Fisheries of England;

Sir Michael Hicks Beach, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Hastings reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations; to whom were referred all Private Bills, promoted by Municipal and other Local Authorities, by which it is proposed to create Powers relative to Police or Sanitary Regulations, which deviate from, or are in extension of, or repugnant to the General Law; That they had considered the Bills to them referred, and directed him to make a Special Report to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir John Mowbray accordingly reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added (Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords].)

Sea Fisheries
Regulation
[Expense.]

Police and
Sanitary
Regulations.
No. 300.

added the following Member to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in respect of the Liability of Trustees Bill: Mr. Godson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Commons Regulation Provisional Order [Therfield Heath] Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Commons Regulation Provisional Order [Therfield Heath] Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Commons Regulation Provisional Order [Therfield Heath] Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Commons Regulation Provisional Order [Therfield Heath] Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Distribution of probate duty grant).—

(1.) The sums paid in pursuance of this Act to the local taxation account, in respect of the proceeds of the probate duties (in this Act referred to as the "probate duty grant," shall, until Parliament otherwise determine, be distributed among the several counties in England in proportion to the share which the Local Government Board certify to have been received by each county during the financial year ending the thirty-first day of March next before the passing of this Act out of the grants heretofore made out of the Exchequer in aid of local rates, which will cease to be granted after the passing of this Act, and the share to be so certified shall be estimated in such manner as the Local Government Board direct.

(2.) The proportion to be paid to each county shall from time to time be paid under the direction of the Local Government Board to the county council out of the local taxation account. The Board may, if they think proper, vary their certificate, but unless it is so varied, their certificate shall be conclusive; and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 251.

Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. James Stuart, } 87.

Noes, { Mr. Lawson: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Clause.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Clause, in l. 5, by leaving out from the words "to the," to the end of the paragraph, and inserting the word "population."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 155.

Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Thomas Ellis, } 89.

Noes, { Mr. Stuart Rendel: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made

to the Clause, in l. 11, by inserting after the

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word "direct," the words "In the case of the six counties of South Wales and the Isle of Wight there shall be added to the amount actually received out of such grants as aforesaid such additional sum as the Local Government Board certify to be the amount which each of the said counties and the Isle of Wight would have received if the roads maintained by the county roads boards had been main roads."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by inserting after the words "roads boards," the words "or the highway commissioners."

And the Question being put, That the words "or the highway commissioners" be inserted in the proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "In the case of the six counties of South Wales and the Isle of Wight there shall be added to the amount actually received out of such grants as aforesaid such additional sum as the Local Government Board certify to be the amount which each of the said counties and the Isle of Wight would have received if the roads maintained by the county roads boards, or the highway commissioners, had been main roads," be inserted in l. 11 of the Clause:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Clause, after the last Amendment, to insert the words "Provided, that before such distribution shall be made in the proportion as aforesaid, there shall be a sum of two hundred and fifty thousand pounds paid over from the proceeds of the probate duties to the county of London, and such sum shall be dealt with by the county of London as part of the probate duty grant."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Then the Clause, so amended, was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Grant by county council towards costs of officers of union) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Grant by London council to poor law unions); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (County council to have power to promote and oppose Bills in Parliament); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Saving for Charters, local Acts, &c.) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Application of Act to Cinque Ports); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Major Dickson, } 50.

Yeas, { Sir Edward Watkin: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 181.

Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the

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Bill (Council to have power to oppose Bills in Parliament),—(The county council of an administrative county shall have the same powers of opposing Bills in Parliament, and of prosecuting or defending any legal proceedings necessary for the promotion or protection of the interests of the inhabitants of the county, as are conferred on the council of a municipal borough by the Act of the thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth years of *Victoria*, chapter ninety-one; and subject as hereinafter provided the provisions of that Act shall extend to a county council as if such council were included in the expression "governing body," and the administrative county were the district in the said Act mentioned.

Provided that,—

- (a.) No consent of owners and ratepayers shall be required for any proceedings under this section;
- (b.) This section shall not empower a county council to promote any Bill in Parliament, or to incur or charge any expense in relation thereto)—was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Clause, in l. 1, by inserting after the words "an administrative county," the words "other than London."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Clause was made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 27, by leaving out Sub-section (c.), and inserting the words—

"(c.)—(1.) The term of office of a councillor shall be four years;

(2.) On the ordinary day of election of councillors in every alternate year one half of the whole number of councillors for the county or for the electoral division, as the case may be, shall go out of office and their places shall be filled by election;

(3.) In the first year in which any councillors shall go out of office, the half to go out shall be determined by ballot, and afterwards the half to go out shall be the councillors who have been longest in office without re-election;

"(d.) In this Act the councillors elected by the council are called co-opted councillors, and the other councillors are called county councillors;

"(e.)—(1.) On the ordinary day of election of co-opted councillors in every alternate year, one-half of the co-opted councillors shall go out of office, and their places shall be filled by election by the council;

(2.) In the first year in which any co-opted councillors shall go out of office, the half to go out shall be determined by ballot, and afterwards the half to go out shall be those who have been longest in office without re-election;

(3.) A co-opted councillor shall not vote in the election of a co-opted councillor."

And the Question being put, That the word "The" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 30, by inserting after the word "alderman," the words "At the triennial election of alderman, if any six county councillors join in voting for any one duly qualified person, he shall thereupon be declared elected a county alderman, but each county councillor

"shall only vote for one county alderman; and "the vacancies remaining (if any) shall be filled "up in the ordinary way by such of the county "councillors as have not already voted as afore- "said."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Hobhouse, } 113.
Yeas, { Viscount Ebrington: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 232.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 30, by inserting after the word "alderman," the words "Provided that the "number of county aldermen shall not exceed "one-sixth of the whole number of county coun- "cillors."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Halley Stewart, } 126.
Yeas, { Mr. Sydney Buxton: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 197.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the further Proceedings on consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be adjourned till To-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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The Order of the day being read, for taking *Bail (Scotland)* into consideration the *Bail (Scotland) Bill*, as Bill amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Waltham Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gun- powder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Consolidated Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking *Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking *Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking *County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the *East India Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill*;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Universities (Scotland) Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Local Government (England and Wales) [Shrievalty of Middlesex.] Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Local Government (England and Wales) [Shrievalty of Middlesex], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the Sum payable by the City of London in respect of the Shrievalty of Middlesex, or of the amount which may be required for redeeming such sum, in pursuance of the provisions of any Act of the present Session relating to Local Government in England and Wales.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

National Defence Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill; *Resolved*, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

High Courts in India Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Bann Drainage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant July, That the Bann Drainage Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection; *Ordered*, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Barrow Drainage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Barrow Drainage Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Shannon Drainage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; *Resolved*, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill; *Resolved*, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (Scotland) Bill; *Resolved*, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill; *Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Archdeaconry Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill; Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill; Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill; Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill; Second Reading of the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Places of Worship Sites Bill; Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill; Second Reading of the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; Second Reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill; Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts (Ireland) Bill; Second Reading of the County Courts (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill; Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme for the management of the Endowments in the Parishes of Balmaclellan, Dalry, Kells, and Carsphairn, in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, known as the Murdock Endowment, the Johnston Bequest, the Davies Bequest, and the M'Adam Bequest, approved by the Scottish Education Department, now lying upon the Table of the House:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Johnston rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Mr. Speaker move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declines then to put the Question.

Then the House resumed the said Debate.
And the Question being put ;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right ;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the; Mr. Mark Stewart,
Yeas, Dr. Farquharson: } 52.
Tellers for the; Mr. Akers-Douglas,
Noes, Colonel Walrond: } 85.
So it passed in the Negative.

Educational
Endowments
(Scotland) Act,
1883 (Hutton
Trust.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme for the Management of the Endowments in the Parish of *Caerlaverock*, County of *Dumfries*, known as the *Hutton Trust*, approved by the *Scottish Education Department*, now lying upon the Table of the House:—It passed in the Negative.

Pluralities
Acts Amend-
ment Act, 1885,
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 349.

The Pluralities Acts Amendment Act (1885) Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 27th July, 1888

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills
[Lords]
(No Standing
Orders not
previously in-
quired into
applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of this instant July, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, viz.:

Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill.

Commons
Regulation
Provisional
Order [Ther-
field Heath]
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Commons Regulation Provisional Order [*Therfield Heath*] Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Public
Petitions
(Seventeenth
Report.)

Sir *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th, 12th, 13th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, and 24th days of this instant July; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table, and be printed.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Eight-
teenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Savings Banks
(1887.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Savings Banks (1887), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant July, be printed.

East India
(Education.)
No. 302.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Education), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant July, be printed.

Irish Land
Commission
(Proceedings.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Proceedings under the *Irish Land Commission*

(Proceedings under "The Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, 1885 and 1886," and "Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1885"), during the month of June 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lord *George Hamilton* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Account showing the Receipt and Expenditure of Naval Prize, Bounty, Salvage, and other Moneys, between the 1st April 1887, and the 31st March 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 20th July 1888, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, declaring that *Clara Frances Freshwater* was appointed Postmistress at *Welwyn* without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of her Department.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 20th July 1888, awarding a Retired Allowance to Mr. *Abraham Allen*, Lower Division Clerk in the Admiralty, under section two of the Superannuation Act of 1887.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Plunket* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Letter of 17th July 1888, from Lord *Wantage*, as Chairman of the Council and Members of the National Rifle Association, to the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, respecting the proposed Rifle Ranges in *Richmond Park*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported from the Trade, &c. Standing Committee on Trade, &c. (to whom the Sea Fishery Regulation Bill was referred); That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Chairmen's Panel have leave to make a Special Report.

Mr. *Campbell-Bannerman* reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Sir *Henry James* to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Law, Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in the place of Mr. *Osborne Morgan*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure: Mr. *Bradlaugh*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Cremer*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Campbell-Bannerman* reported from the Select Committee on Navy Estimates; That they had

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had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sittings of the House, Exemption from the Standing Order.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House."

Doddington and Bewdley Bridges.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to relieve the Inhabitants of the Hundred of *Doddington*, in the County of *Worcester*, of the Obligation to repair and maintain the Bridges of the Hundred, and to transfer to the County of *Worcester* the liability of the Borough of *Bewdley* to repair and maintain the Bridge over the River *Severn*, in or near to such Borough: And that *Mr. Hastings*, *Sir Edmund Lechmere*, and *Sir Richard Temple* do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Municipal Corporations in *Ireland* to apply Municipal Funds in the promotion of Local Bills in Parliament: And that *Mr. Sexton*, *Mr. Murphy*, *Mr. T. D. Sullivan*, *Mr. Maurice Healy*, *Mr. O'Keeffe*, *Mr. Richard Power*, and *Mr. Peter McDonald* do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill. Bill 351.

Mr. Sexton accordingly presented a Bill to enable Municipal Corporations in *Ireland* to apply Municipal Funds in the promotion of Local Bills in Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Doddington and Bewdley Bridge Bill. Bill 352.

Mr. Hastings presented a Bill to relieve the Inhabitants of the Hundred of *Doddington*, in the County of *Worcester*, of the Obligation to repair and maintain the Bridges of the Hundred, and to transfer to the County of *Worcester* the liability of the Borough of *Bewdley* to repair and maintain the Bridge over the River *Severn*, in or near to such Borough: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next; and to be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways* Bill, without Amendment.

Hampstead Heath Extension Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Hampstead Heath Extension* Bill, without Amendment.

Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway* Bill, without Amendment.

Kensington Square Improvements Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Kensington Square Improvements* Bill, without Amendment.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland) (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (*Ireland*) (1877) Amendment Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Rotherham and Bawtry Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Rotherham and Bawtry Railway* Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Alabama Great Southern Railway* Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

South Eastern Metropolitan (Lewisham, Greenwich, and District) Tramways Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the South Eastern Metropolitan (*Lewisham, Greenwich, and District*) Tramways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the *Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway* Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The Coroners Act, 1887"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for registering certain Charges on Land, and for facilitating Searches for them; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue various Expiring Laws: And that *Mr. Jackson* and *Sir Herbert Maxwell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further amend the Acts relating to the raising of Money by the Metropolitan Board of Works, and for other purposes: And that *Mr. Jackson* and *Sir Herbert Maxwell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to grant money for the purpose of certain Local Loans, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans: And that *Mr. Jackson*, *Mr. Chancellor* of the Exchequer, and *Sir Herbert Maxwell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Jackson presented a Bill to continue various Expiring Laws: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

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Mr. Jackson presented a Bill to grant Money for the purpose of certain Local Loans, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 34, by inserting after the word "county," the words "(5.) As respects 'county aldermen, their term of office shall be 'three years.'"

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 34, by inserting after the word "county," the words, "(5.) They shall by 'virtue of their office be justices of the peace 'for the county.'"

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 43, by inserting after the word

word "read," the following sub-section: "(3.) The amount of such payment shall be such annual sum as may be from time to time agreed on, or in the absence of agreement may be determined by arbitration of the Local Government Board."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by inserting after the word "sum," the words "representing the reasonable cost of the said maintenance, repair, and improvement."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "(3.) The amount of such payment shall be such annual sum as may be from time to time agreed on, or in the absence of agreement may be determined by arbitration of the Local Government Board," be inserted after the word "road" in p. 6, l. 43 of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 41, by inserting after the word "road," the words "If the council of any borough, not being one of the boroughs mentioned in the Third Schedule, nor a quarter Sessions borough, deem itself aggrieved by the decision of the county council on any application made by the council of such borough to the county council to contribute towards the cost of maintenance, repair, enlargement, and improvement of any highway, it may, within twenty-eight days after notice of such decision, address a memorial to the Local Government Board, stating the grounds of appeal from such decision, and shall deliver a copy thereof to the county council. The Local Government Board may make such order in the matter as to the said board may seem equitable, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, and the order so made shall be binding and conclusive on all parties":

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *M'Laren*, } 103.
Yeas, { Mr. *Rowntree* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 226.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond* :

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 26, by leaving out from the words "After the Financial Year" to the words "in such place" in p. 13, l. 9, inclusive.

And the Question being put, That the words "After the Financial Year," stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 16, by leaving out the words "four-fifths," and inserting the words "three-fourths."

And the Question being put, That the words "four-fifths" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 228.
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond* :

Tellers for the { Sir *George Campbell*, } 117.
Noes, { Mr. *Flynn* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 19, l. 16, by inserting after the word "borough," the words "other than a county borough."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 20, l. 41, by inserting after the word "mentioned," the words "the county council may also delegate to the justices of the county sitting in petty sessions, any power or duty transferred by this Act to the county council in respect of the licensing of houses or places for the public performance of stage plays, and in respect of the execution as local authority of 'The Explosives Act, 1875,' or of the Act relating to contagious diseases of animals, or to weights and measures, or to gas meters."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, in l. 1, by inserting after the word "may," the words "until district councils are established for the purposes of local government under any Act of a future Session of Parliament."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Arnold Morley*, } 143.
Yeas, { Mr. *Marjoribanks* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 188.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond* :

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, in l. 5, by leaving out the words "or of the Act relating to contagious diseases of animals."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—The said proposed Amendment to the Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, by leaving out the words "or to weights and measures."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "the county council may also delegate to the justices of the county sitting in petty sessions, any power or duty transferred by this Act to the county council in respect of the licensing of houses or places for the public performance of stage plays, and in respect of the execution as local authority of 'The Explosives Act, 1875,' or of the Act relating to contagious diseases of animals, or to gas meters," be inserted after the word "mentioned," in p. 20, l. 41 of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 22, l. 33, by inserting after the word "adjustment," the words "and such adjustment shall remain in force for three years and no longer."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 29, l. 20, by inserting after the word

word "elections," the words "(8.) It shall be lawful for Her Majesty the Queen at any time, on petition from the council of the borough, by Order in Council to declare such borough to be a county borough, and from the date named in such Order such borough shall be a county borough within the meaning and for the purposes and subject to the provisions of section thirty-one of this Act."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 30, l. 12, by leaving out the words "according to the census of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and to insert the words "on the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed, to be made to the Bill, in p. 33, l. 18, by inserting, after the word "councillor," the words, "Provided that there shall be no further appointment of county aldermen after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 34, l. 11, by inserting, after the word "purpose," the words, "The London County Council shall have the same powers of promoting and opposing Bills in Parliament, and otherwise acting for the promotion and protection of the interests of the inhabitants of the county, as if the county council were a governing body within the meaning of the Act of the Session of the thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth years of Her present Majesty, chapter ninety-one, intituled, 'An Act to authorise the application of funds of municipal corporations and other governing bodies in certain cases.' Provided that so much of section four of the said Act as requires any consent of owners and ratepayers shall not apply to any expense incurred by the county council if it be approved by not less than two-thirds of such council."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. James Stuart, } 138.
Yeas, { Mr. Radcliffe Cooke: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 164.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 38, l. 30, by inserting, after the word "Cambridge," the words "(d.) The Liberty of Peterborough and the residue of the County of Northampton shall be respectively separate administrative counties for the purposes of this Act, and are in this Act referred to as divisions of the County of Northampton."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 40, by leaving out from the words "Nothing in this Act," in l. 44, to the word "aforesaid," in p. 41, l. 15, inclusive.

And the Question being put, That the words "Nothing in this Act" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 44, l. 7, by inserting, after the word "York," the words "(e.) The boundaries of the Counties of Monmouth and Brecon shall remain as now existing."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the, Mr. Warmington, } 119.
Yeas, { Mr. Thomas Price: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 182.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 49, l. 12, by inserting, after the word "purposes," the words "or for the levying of the poor rate."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 62, l. 10, by inserting, after the word "rate," the words "A copy of every such estimate, as mentioned in this section, together with the estimated amount of any contribution or rate required to be levied, shall be sent to every county councillor not less than fourteen days before the meeting of the council at which it is proposed to order the contribution or rate to be made, and shall be sent in the same manner in which notices of meeting are sent to such councillor."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

And the House, having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 28th July, 1888:

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 100, ls. 18 and 19, by leaving out the words "trade carts."

And the Question being proposed, That the words "trade carts" stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, in respect of an Amendment to Clause 15, and an Amendment to Clause 17.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 15 (Roads and tolls in Isle of Wight).

An Amendment made.

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Clause

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 17 (Power to county council to enforce provisions of Rivers Pollution Prevention Act, 1876).

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill in respect of Clauses 15 and 17.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sea Fisheries Regulation [Expenses].

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sea Fisheries Regulation [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the expense of collecting Statistics relating to Sea Fisheries under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the regulation of the Sea Fisheries of *England*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Jackson reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

National Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

High Courts in India Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bann Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant July, That the *Bann Drainage Bill* be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Barrow Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shannon Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Oaths Bill; Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 3rd day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Liquor Traffic Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Option (*England*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the School Board Second Reading of the School Board for *London* (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stipendiary Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Buildings (Metropolis) Second Reading of the Buildings (*Metropolis*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors Second Reading of the Solicitors Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Archdeaconry Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of *Cornwall* Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for the Intoxicating Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered,

Doddingtree and Bewdley Bridges Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Doddingtree and Bewdley Bridges Bill*, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners) [Inquiry not completed.]

No. 305.

Sir William Marriott reported from the Select Committee on Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners); That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next, the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (1888-9.)

No. 306.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Estimate showing the several Services for which a Third Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1889.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 30th July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Manchester Ship Canal (No. 2) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill [Lords.]

The Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

North British Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *North British Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The *Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill* was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Worcester and Broom Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Worcester and Broom Railway Bill* was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Preston Corporation Bill*, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Preston Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Naval Prize Money, &c., which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

Vide Eighteenth Report. Naval Prize Money, &c. No. 307.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Public Income and Expenditure relative to Public Income and Expenditure.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Public Income and Expenditure.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of all Cases in which Applications have been made to the Director of Public Prosecutions for his Fiat under Section 3 of the "Newspaper Libel and Registration Act, 1881," with the Result of those Applications; and, where Fiat has been granted, of the Result of the subsequent proceedings thereon.

Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, Cork, for the Academic Session, 1887-88, with Appendices.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Returns from the City Marshal of Dublin, Registrar of Pawnbrokers in Ireland, for the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Queen's College, Cork. Pawnbrokers' Returns (Ireland.)

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the Sums required to be voted for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1889, in addition to the Sums already presented in the current Session.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimate, 1888-9.) No. 308.

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill [Lords.] Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords.] Provisional Order confirmed.]

Oyster and
Mussel Fish-
eries (West
Loch, Tarbert)
Order Confir-
mation Bill
[Lords]
[Provisional
Orders
confirmed.]

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee on the Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (*West Loch, Tarbert*) Order Confirmation Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Law, &c.
(Liability of
Trustees Bill.)

Ordered, That the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, do sit and proceed with the Liability of Trustees Bill upon Friday, 3rd August, at Twelve of the clock.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

Staffordshire
Potteries
Water Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Staffordshire Potteries Water Bill*, without Amendment.

London,
Tilbury, and
Southend
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill*, without Amendment.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 13) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London and
North Western
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London and North Western Railway Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Govern-
ment Provi-
sional Orders
(No. 13) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Sea Fisheries
Regulation
[Expenses.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Sea Fisheries Regulation [Expenses], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the expense of collecting Statistics relating to Sea Fisheries under the Provisions of any Act of the present Session for the regulation of the Sea Fisheries of *England*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No 1 (Appointment and duties of Special Commissioners).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the word "three," in order to insert the word "five."

Question put, That the word "three" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 233.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Illingworth, } 195.
Noes, { Mr. Dillwyn: }

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "the Honourable Sir John Charles Day."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 269.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 180.
Noes, { Mr. Dillwyn: }

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, to leave out the words "and allegations."

Question put, That the words "and allegations" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 265.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Anderson, } 200.
Noes, { Mr. Rowntree: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, after the word "allegations," to insert the words "of complicity with murder or violence."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Tuesday, 31st July, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Complaint made to the House by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, Member for West Birmingham, of an opprobrious expression applied to him by Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Member for the Scotland Division of Liverpool.

Mr. Speaker called on Mr. T. P. O'Connor to explain his conduct; and the honourable Member acknowledged that he had made use of the expression complained of, and asked leave to withdraw it, and tendered his apology to the House.

The Order of the day being read, for the High Courts Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (*Ireland*) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 6th day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (*Scotland*) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 6th day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The

Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's (Signal Station) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.

Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Tithe Rent-Charge Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Imperial Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial Defence Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.

Bail (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 3rd day of August next.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken in consideration upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

East India Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.

Universities (Scotland) Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 6th day of August next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant July, That the Bann Drainage Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Barrow Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 7th day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fishing in Rivers Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 6th day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.
Parliamentary Voters Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.
Agricultural Holdings Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.
Housing of the Working Classes Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.
Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vacant Grounds (Nuisances Prevention) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.
Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.]; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next.
Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.	The Order of the day being read, for the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Turbary (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.	The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next.	A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme for the management of the Endowments in the Burgh of Culross, County of Perth, known as the Geddes Trust, Bill's and Law's Mortifications, and Valleyfield Endowment, approved by the Scottish Education Department, now lying upon the Table of the House; The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the { Mr. Wallace, } 56. Yeas, { Mr. Laing Brown: } Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 95. Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } So it passed in the Negative.
Factors Acts Consolidation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of August next.	<i>Ordered</i> , That there be laid before this House, Channel a Copy of a Report on the state of the Channel Tunnel Works made to the Board of Trade by Major Marindin, R.E., C.M.G., one of their Inspecting Officers. Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Paper. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next.	
Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	
Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;	

The

National Debt. The Order made upon the 21st day of April, in the last Session of Parliament, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to the National Debt, was read, and discharged.

Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill [Lords.] Bill 356. The Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of August next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill. Ordered, That the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of August next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 31st July, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill. THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Alabama Great Southern Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Shropshire Railways Bill [Lords.] The House proceeded to take into consideration the Shropshire Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords.] The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (West Loch, Tarbert) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] The Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (West Loch, Tarbert) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill [Lords.] The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eighteenth Report.

National Rifle Association (Correspondence.) Ordered, That the Paper relative to the National Rifle Association (Correspondence), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

No. 310.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Income and Expenditure, which was presented upon the 30th day of this instant July, be printed. **Public Income and Expenditure. No. 311.**

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Account of Receipts and Payments under the County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877, during the year ended 31st March 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill; **Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill [Lords.]**

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Bombay Factory Commission, dated the 6th day of January 1885, and of the Resolution of the Government of Bombay thereon. **East India (Factory Labour.)**

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing which of the Episcopal and Capitular Estates are now managed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and which of them are managed by the Bishops and Cathedral Bodies; setting forth in each case the Date or Dates when any transfers or re-transfers of Management of either the whole or part of such Estates have taken place. **Episcopal and Capitular Estates.**

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Corn Averages have leave to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them from time to time to the House. **Corn Averages.**

Mr. Jasper More reported from the Select Committee on Corn Averages; That they had made progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them to the House, together with an Appendix. **Corn Averages (First Report). No. 312.**

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Lewis Fry reported from the Select Committee on Town Holdings; That they had taken Evidence on the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the same to the House, together with an Appendix; and a recommendation that the Committee be re-appointed in the next Session of Parliament. **Town Holdings [Inquiry not completed.] No. 313.**

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed. **Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill [Lords.] Bill 357.**

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Names of all Aliens to whom Certificates of Naturalisation have been issued since the 10th day of August 1887 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 278, of Session 1887). **Aliens.**

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this **Persia (Decree for Protection of Property.)**

this House, a Copy of the recent Decree of the Shah of Persia for the Protection of Property in Persia, and the Correspondence relating thereto.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Appointment and duties of Special Commissioners).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, after the word "allegations," to insert the words "of complicity with murder or violence."

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Robert Reid, } 197.
Yeas, { Mr. John Ellis: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 249.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, after the word "allegations," to insert the words "set out in the Schedule hereto."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Anderson, } 200.
Yeas, { Mr. Chance: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 245.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, after the word "allegations," to insert the words "or such of them as the Commissioners may think fit."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Molloy, } 207.
Yeas, { Mr. Robert Reid: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 250.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, ls. 18 and 19, to leave out the words "certain Members of Parliament and other," in order to insert the word "the."

Question proposed, That the word "certain" stand part of the Clause;

After Debate thereon;

Wednesday, 1st August, 1888:

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put." (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Question, "That the Question be now put"—put, and agreed to.

Question put accordingly, That the word "certain" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 259.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Biggar, } 204.
Noes, { Mr. Sheil: }

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, to leave out the words "and other persons."

Question proposed, That the words "and other persons" stand part of the Clause;

After Debate thereon;

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question;

Debate resumed;

Sir John Simon moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Mr. Parnell moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Motion

Canal Development.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Local Authorities to acquire, regulate, and construct Canals: And that Mr. Philip Stanhope, Mr. Robert Reid, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Brunner, and Mr. Ernest Spencer do prepare, and bring it in.

Elementary Education (Continuation Schools.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Elementary Education Acts, and to provide Continuation Schools: And that Mr. Samuel Smith, Sir Henry Roscoe, Sir John Lubbock, Sir George Baden-Powell, Mr. John Morley, Mr. Bryce, Mr. Cyril Flower, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. James William Lowther do prepare, and bring it in.

Canal Development Bill.

Mr. Philip Stanhope presented a Bill to enable Local Authorities to acquire, regulate, and construct Canals: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of August next; and to be printed.

Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill.

Mr. Samuel Smith presented a Bill to amend the Elementary Education Acts, and to provide Continuation Schools: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of August next; and to be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Llanelly Local Board Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Llanelly Local Board Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Vauxhall Park Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Vauxhall Park Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Brixton Park Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Brixton Park Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Rhymney Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Rhymney Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Indian Councils Act, 1861, Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend "The Indian Councils Act, 1861"; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sittings of the House, Exemption from the Standing Order.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 231.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Biggar, } 159.
Noes, { Mr. Sheil: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, put the Question thereupon forthwith;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Anderson, } 168.
Yeas, { Mr. Parnell: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 219.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Question again proposed, That the words "and other persons" stand part of the Clause;

Chairman declines to propose Question (Abuse of Rules.)

Mr. Sexton moved, That the Chairman do now leave the Chair; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Question put, That the words "and other persons" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 222.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Sir John Simon, } 166.
Noes, { Mr. Asquith: }

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

National Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

High Courts in India Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Bann Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant July, That the Bann Drainage Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Barrow Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate the Law relating to Excise Licences for Hawkers; And that Mr. Jackson and Sir Herbert Maxwell do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented a Bill to consolidate the Law relating to Excise Licences for Hawkers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 7th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861 and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870 or later that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Moveable Abodes Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Glebe Lands Occupation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Charities Restitution Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Parliamentary Voters Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
County Courts (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts (Ireland) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.
Poor Relief (England and Wales.) No. 314.	<i>Ordered</i> , That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement of the Amount expended for In-maintenance and Out-door Relief in <i>England and Wales</i> , during the half-year ended Lady-day 1888:—And, similar Statement for the half-year ended Michaelmas 1888. Mr. Long accordingly presented the said Paper. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Glasgow Central Railway Bill [Lords.]	Sir Julian Goldsmid reported the <i>Glasgow Central Railway Bill</i> , with Amendments. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Four of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 1st August, 1888.

PRAYERS.

THE Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Nineteenth Report.

Ordered, That the Account relative to County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877, which was presented upon the 31st day of July last, be printed.

County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877.

No. 315.

Mr. Ritchie presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of June last, for Returns relative to Boroughs of England (Classified Statement).

Boroughs of England (Classified Statement.)

No. 316.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Report and Statement of Accounts of the Margate Pier and Harbour Company for the year ending 5th April 1888.

Margate Pier and Harbour.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Cases in (a) *England and Wales*; (b) *Ireland*, during each of the two years 1880 and 1886, in which a Verdict of Wilful Murder has been returned by a Coroner's Jury; and of all Cases in (c) *Scotland* when the Procurator Fiscal has reported to the Crown Agent that a Murder appears to have taken place:—

Murders.

Place at which Death took place.	Name of Murdered Person.	Sex of Murdered Person.	Supposed Age of Murdered Person.	Verdict returned by Coroner's Jury.	Time, Place, and Nature of Criminal Proceedings taken against any Person or Persons in connection with the Death of the Person found by the Coroner's Jury to have been Murdered.	Result of Criminal Proceedings.	Remarks.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Appointment and Duties of Special Commissioners).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, after the word "persons," to insert the words "in so far as the same bear upon the charges and allegations against the said Members."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

After Debate thereon;

Mr.

Question put
(pursuant to
S.O. Closure of
Debate.)

Mr. *Fulton* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question, "That the Question be now put"—
put, and agreed to.

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *R. T. Reid*, } 194.
Yeas, { Mr. *Winterbotham* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 241.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond* :

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

High Courts
in India Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts of India Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Works
Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Metropolitan
Board of Works
(Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Mortmain and
Charitable
Uses Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

County Courts
Consolidation
and Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Bail (Scotland)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Ways and
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of July last, That the *Bann* Drainage Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow* Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon* Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenancies Rating Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whipping Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

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Slander Law
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Slander Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of November next.

Parish Vestries
Reform Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Vestries Reform Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of November next.

Allotments
Act (1887)
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments Act (1887) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of November next.

Ecclesiastical
Dilapidations
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Dilapidations Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Legitim Law
Amendment
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Friendly
Societies
(Transmission
of Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies (Transmission of Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Statute Law
Revision
(Master and
Servant) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burials Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of November next.

Marriage Law
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

School Board
for London
Election Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary
Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Municipal
Corporations
(Local Bills)
(Ireland) Bill.

The Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Sir John Lubbock reported from the Committee on Public Accounts; That they had further considered the matters to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to permit the Irish Board of Works to make over to Trustees any of the Ruined Chapels of Clonmacnoise: And that Colonel Nolan, Mr. T. M. Healy, and Dr. Fitzgerald do prepare, and bring it in.

Colonel Nolan accordingly presented a Bill to permit the Irish Board of Works to make over to Trustees any of the Ruined Chapels of Clonmacnoise: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 2nd August, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendment made by this House to the Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London and North Western Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill be now read the third time;

Lord Arthur Hill, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the Preston Corporation Bill be now read the third time;

Lord Arthur Hill, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bridgewater Railway Bill*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Bridgewater Railway Bill
[Lords.]

Public Petitions.

Vide Nine-teenth Report.

East India
(Upper Burma, Licences.)

Sir *John Gorst* presented.—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors issued in *Upper Burma* since the Annexation of that Country, showing the Number of such Licences issued; the Times at which the Districts for which and the Periods for which they have been issued; the Prices paid for them respectively; the Conditions or Regulations subject to which they have been issued; and the Estimated Number (so far as is ascertainable) of *Chinese*, of *Shans*, and other non-*Burman Buddhists*, and non-*Burmans* who are not *Buddhists*, in each of the several Districts aforesaid.

East India
(Upper Burma, Opium Licences.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22nd day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of Licences for the Sale of Opium issued in *Upper Burma* since the Annexation of that Country, showing the Number of such Licences issued; the Times at which the Districts for which and the Periods for which they have been issued; the Prices paid for them respectively; the Conditions or Regulations subject to which they have been issued; and the Estimated Number (so far as is ascertainable) of *Chinese*, of *Shans*, and other non-*Burman Buddhists*, and of non-*Burmans* who are not *Buddhists*, in each of the several Districts aforesaid.

East India
(Factory Labour.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 31st day of July last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Factory Labour).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Pleuro
Pneumonia and Tuberculosis.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee of the Agricultural Department, Privy Council Office, appointed to inquire into *Pleuro Pneumonia and Tuberculosis* in the United Kingdom, Part II., Evidence, &c.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Fishery Board
(Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of a Committee of the Fishery Board for *Scotland* as to the Regulation of Trawling and other modes of Fishing in the Territorial Waters.

Education
(Scotland.)

Copy of Report of the Committee of Council on Education in *Scotland*, with Appendix, 1887-88.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Persia (Decree for Protection of Property)
(No. 2, 1888.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the issue of a Decree of His Majesty the Shah of *Persia* for the Protection of Rights of Property in *Persia*.

Trade Reports
(Annual Series.)

Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 397.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 100.

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Annual Accounts of the Chamberlain of *London* for the Year ending 31st December 1887.

Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures; to whom the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next, and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Paupers in Receipt of Relief on the 1st day of January 1887; and of the Sums expended for In-Maintenance and Out-door Relief, and also the Total Amount of Relief, to the Poor during the Year ended the 25th day of March 1887, in *England* and *Wales*; Totals to be shown for each Union County and for the whole of *England* and *Wales* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 302, of Session 1885).

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Railway and Canal Traffic Bill*, with Amendments; and have made a consequential Amendment to the Bill; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *North British Railway Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Vale of Clyde Tramways Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Oxford and Aylesbury Tramroad Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

(*changed from "Oxford, Aylesbury, and Metropolitan Junction Railway Bill."*)

The Lords have agreed to the *Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Kingston-upon-Thames Improvement Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords request, That this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on Emigration and Immigration (Foreigners), together with the Minutes of Evidence, &c.

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Ordered,

Pier and
Harbour Pro-
visional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Privilege.

Complaint made to the House by Mr. *Labouchere*, Member for the Borough of *Northampton*, of certain passages in a leading article of the "Times" newspaper of this morning, reflecting on the Speeches of several Members made in the Committee on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill. The said Paper was delivered in, and the passages complained of read, as followeth:—

"The endeavour to convict the Government of a change of front because Mr. *W. H. Smith*, in offering Mr. *Parnell* the alternative of the Special Commission, omitted the words 'and other persons,' though ever since the notice of the introduction of the Bill was placed on the Paper those words have been before the House, and the Opposition allowed the Second Reading to pass unchallenged with full knowledge of them, conspicuously failed; but this and other groundless accusations have afforded Mr. *Parnell*, Mr. *T. Healy*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *T. P. O'Connor*, and the rest the opportunity to pour out a flood of blackguardism—we can call it by no other name—on the 'Times' and the persons responsible for its conduct, which we venture to say is absolutely without parallel in Parliamentary history. We are completely indifferent to abuse, calumny, and mendacious charges from that quarter, and we are quite sure that public opinion will take the just measure of the men who resort to these weapons. But, for the honour of public life in *England*, it is to be deplored that Mr. *Gladstone* as well as Sir *William Harcourt* entered into a competition with the foul-mouthed oratory of their present allies below the gangway. Still more scandalous is it that Mr. *Morley* should dare to accuse this journal of the 'deepest infamy' on the unsupported testimony, which he has taken no pains to sift, of one of his reckless *Irish* allies. The stuff which is held to be good enough to furnish forth the speeches of these statesmen with their facts, their arguments, their taunts, and their calumnies would not be listened to by any decent people if it were bawled about the streets by the sort of people who obtain a hearing because they are Members of the House of Commons."

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the "Times" newspaper, in its issue of this morning, has been guilty of a breach of the privileges of this House;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House do pass to the Public Business of the Day," instead thereof;

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Sittings of the
House, Exem-
ption from the
Standing
Order.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House."

Business of the
House (Pro-
cedure on the
Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations)
Bill.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that at One o'clock a.m. on Friday 3rd August, if the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill be not previously reported from the Committee of the whole House, the Chairman shall put forthwith the Question, or Questions, on any Amendment or Motion

already proposed from the Chair. He shall next proceed and successively put forthwith the Questions, That any Clause then under consideration, and each remaining Clause in the Bill, stand part of the Bill. After the Clauses are disposed of he shall forthwith report the Bill, as amended, to the House. From and after the passing of this Order no Motion, That the Chairman do leave the Chair, or do report Progress, shall be allowed;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting after the first word "That," the words "if the Chairman so think fit."

And the Question being proposed, that those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

Mr. *Aird* rose in his place, and claimed to move. "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 5, by leaving out the words "Questions, That any Clause then under consideration, and each remaining Clause of the Bill, stand part of the Bill," and insert the words "several Amendments and new Clauses now printed on the Notice Paper and not then disposed of."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 237.
Colonel *Walrond*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Arnold Morley*, } 185.
Mr. *Marjoribanks*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That at One o'clock a.m. on Friday 3rd August, if the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill be not previously reported from the Committee of the whole House, the Chairman shall put forthwith the Question, or Questions, on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair. He shall next proceed and successively put forthwith the Questions, That any Clause then under consideration, and each remaining Clause in the Bill stand part of the Bill. After the Clauses are disposed of he shall forthwith report the Bill, as amended, to the House. From and after the passing of this Order no Motion, That the Chairman do leave the Chair, or do report Progress, shall be allowed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Appointment and Duties of Special Commissioners).

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "and the circumstances under which the said charges and allegations were originally published and made by the defendants in the said action."

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Biggar*, } 128.
Mr. *Sheil*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 162.
Colonel *Walrond*:

Another

Mr. Speaker
withholds his
Assent, and
declines then to
put the
Question.

Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations)
Bill.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Provided that the Commission shall, at the commencement of the inquiry, and before entering upon further matters, inquire and report upon the letters read by the counsel of the defendant in the action of *O'Donnell v. Walter* and another," purporting to be signed '*Charles S. Parnell*,' and to have been written and sent by or under the authority of *Mr. Charles Stewart Parnell*, the signature to which the aforesaid *Mr. Charles Stewart Parnell* has declared to be a "forgery."

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

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Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ <i>Mr. Labouchere</i> ,	} 203.
Yeas,	{ <i>Mr. Dillwyn</i> ;	
Tellers for the	{ <i>Mr. Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 281.
Noes,	{ <i>Colonel Walrond</i> ;	

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Provided, that the Commissioners shall make a separate report in regard to the charges against each individual Member of Parliament, and refer in such report specifically to the evidence on which their conclusions are founded where such conclusions are adverse to the Member affected."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Debate arising.

Chairman interrupts the Debate, and puts the Question forthwith pursuant to the Order of the House.

And, it being One of the the clock a.m., the Chairman, in pursuance of the Order of the House, interrupted the Debate, and put the Question forthwith.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ <i>Mr. Biggar</i> ,	} 201.
Yeas,	{ <i>Mr. Sheil</i> ;	
Tellers for the	{ <i>Mr. Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 283.
Noes,	{ <i>Colonel Walrond</i> ;	

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 2 to N° 7, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Chairman in pursuance of said Order reports the Bill forthwith.

Whereupon, the Chairman, in pursuance of the Order of the House, forthwith left the Chair, and reported the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant August next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill [Lords.]
Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Officers Bill;
Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Universities (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]
Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant August.

Complaint made to the House by Dr. Tanner, Complaint. Member for Mid Cork, of offensive words addressed to him by Mr. Brookfield, Member for the Rye Division of Sussex. The Speaker called on Mr. Brookfield for an explanation, who stated that as he was leaving the House Dr. Tanner had, without provocation, addressed offensive expressions to him.

The Speaker interposed, and said he trusted both honourable Members would maintain a courteous bearing to each other, and he was sure the House would not think it necessary to pursue the matter any further.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill [Lords.]
Second Reading of the Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Saturday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hawkers Bill.
Second Reading of the Hawkers Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the High Courts in India Bill [Lords.]
Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Loans Bill.
Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.
Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Mortmain and into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; [Lords.]
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]
into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;
into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill,
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Expiring Laws
Continuance
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Expiring Laws Continuance Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Bann Drainage
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant July, That the *Bann Drainage Bill* be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Barrow
Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Barrow Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Shannon
Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Shannon Drainage Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Solicitors Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Solicitors Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Patents,
Designs, and
Trade Marks
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *Oaths Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Small Debts
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Small Debts (Scotland) Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health
Acts Amend-
ment (Build-
ings in Streets)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Attorney General reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Pauper
Lunatics'
Asylums (Ire-
land) (Officers'
Superannua-
tion) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Pauper Lunatics' Asylums (Ireland) (Officers' Superannuation) Bill*.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Intoxicating
Liquors (Ire-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Municipal
Corporations
(Local Bills)
(Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. J. W. Lowther reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Preferential Payment of Wages Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Allotments Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Doddingtree and Bewdley Bridges Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Turbary (Ireland) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant August.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant August.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The *Pharmacy Act (Ireland) 1875, Amendment Bill* was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Charities Restitution Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Pluralities Acts Amendment Act (1885) Amendment Bill*;

Ordered, Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Suffragans Nomination Bill [Lords.] Bill 363. The Suffragans Nomination Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Suffragans Act Amendment Bill [Lords.] Bill 364. The Suffragans Act Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 3rd August, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Brixton Park Bill. THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Brixton Park* Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Llanelly Local Board Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Llanelly Local Board* Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Rhymney Railway Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Rhymney Railway* Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Vauxhall Park Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Vauxhall Park* Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill*; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Nineteenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India (Upper Burmah, Licences)*, which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant August, be printed. No. 319.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India (Upper Burmah, Opium Licences)*, which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant August, be printed. No. 320.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India (Factory Labour)*, which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant August, be printed. No. 321.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the *Chamber of London*, which were presented upon the 2nd day of this instant August, be printed. No. 322.

Mr. Secretary *Stanhope* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee on the Organisation of the Royal Artillery, with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Baron *Henry De Worms* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies or Extracts of further Correspondence with reference to the Claims of the *Maltese Nobility* (in continuation of [C. 4628 a] May 1886).

Copy of Correspondence relating to a Petition from the Church Council of the Church of *England in Natal*.

Copy of Correspondence relating to the High Commissionership in *South Africa*, and its separation from the Governorship of the *Cape*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report (being for the year 1887) of the Governors of *Wellington College*, with Accounts.

Copy of Agricultural Returns of *Great Britain*, with Abstract Returns for the United Kingdom, *British Possessions*, and Foreign Countries (1888).

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of July last, for a Return relative to Prison Rules (*Ireland*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports.

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Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 398 and 399.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions
(Eighteenth
Report.)

Sir Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 25th, 26th, 27th, 30th, and 31st days of July last; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Order
XXV. (Closure
of Debate.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return respecting Application of Standing Order XXV. (Closure of Debate) during Session 1887 and Session 1888 (to Adjournment in August), under the following Heads:—

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
Date when Closure moved.	By whom moved.	Question before House or Committee when moved.	Whether in House or Committee.	Whether assent given to Motion or withheld by Speaker or Chairman.	Result of Motion, and, if a Division, Numbers for and against.

Doddington
and Bewdley
Bridges Bill.

The Order made upon the 27th day of July last, for referring the *Doddington and Bewdley Bridges Bill* to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills was read, and discharged.

Doddington
and Bewdley
Bridges Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the *Doddington and Bewdley Bridges Bill* was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Niger River
(Customs
Duties.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Nature and Amount of Customs Duties levied by the Royal Niger Company on Merchandise imported into the Countries bordering the River Niger up to Sago, and the River Binné up to Fola, together with the Nature and Amount of Duties levied by the Company on the Export of Native Produce from these Countries.

Law, &c.
(Liability of
Trustees Bill
[Lords].)

Sir Henry James reported from the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure; That they had gone through the Liability of Trustees Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto.

No. 323. *Ordered*, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Bill 365. *Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Upper Burma
(Intoxicating
Liquors.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of Correspondence that has passed between the Secretary of State for India in Council and the Government of India, and also between the Viceroy of India and the Chief Commissioner of Burma, relating to the issuing of Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors and of Opium in Upper Burma.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords, by the Lords, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the *Bristol Port Extension Railways Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Greenwich and Millwall Subway Bill*, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the *Libel Law Amendment Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the *Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill*, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the proceedings of the Committee of Supply, if the Committee be sitting at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House."

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 7,712,800, be granted to Her Majesty, on Account, for or towards defraying the Charge for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, viz.:

CLASS II.

England:—	£.
Land Commission for England	3,000
Local Government Board	135,000
Lunacy Commission	4,500
Mint (including Coinage)	23,000
National Debt Office	5,000
Patent Office	13,000
Paymaster General's Office	7,500
Public Works Loan Commission	3,500
Record Office	6,000
Registrar General's Office	18,000
Stationery Office and Printing	210,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	7,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	15,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid	—
Secret Service	7,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for Scotland	3,500
Exchequer and other Offices	2,500
Fishery Board	10,000
Lunacy Commission	3,500
Registrar General's Office	2,500
Board of Supervision	23,000

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household	2,000
Chief Secretary's Office	16,000
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office	900
Local Government Board	50,000
Public Works Office	12,000
Record Office	2,000
Registrar General's Office	6,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey	7,500

CLASS III.

England:—	£.
Law Charges	24,000
Criminal Prosecutions	50,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	125,000
Wreck Commission	4,000
County Courts	200,000
Land Registry	1,200
Revising Barristers, England	20,000
Police Courts (London and Sheerness)	5,500
Metropolitan Police	100,000
Special Police	20,000
County and Borough Police, Great Britain	—
Prisons, England and the Colonies	210,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Great Britain	45,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum	8,000

<i>Scotland:—</i>	
Lord Advocate, and Criminal Proceedings -	15,000
Courts of Law and Justice -	15,000
Register House Departments -	10,000
Crofters' Commission -	2,000
Police, Counties and Burghs (<i>Scotland</i>) -	150,000
Prisons, <i>Scotland</i> -	30,000

<i>Ireland:—</i>	
Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions -	20,000
Supreme Court of Judicature -	25,000
Court of Bankruptcy -	4,000
Admiralty Court Registry -	300
Registry of Deeds -	5,000
Registry of Judgments -	700
Land Commission -	10,900
County Court Officers, &c. -	44,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police (including Police Courts) -	50,000
Constabulary -	540,000
Prisons, <i>Ireland</i> -	38,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools -	25,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum -	2,300

CLASS IV.

<i>England:—</i>	
Public Education -	850,000
Science and Art Department -	130,000
British Museum -	35,000
National Gallery -	2,200
National Portrait Gallery -	700
Learned Societies, &c. -	6,000
London University -	4,500
Universities and Colleges, Grants in Aid -	3,000
Deep Sea Exploring Expedition (Report) -	—

<i>Scotland:—</i>	
Public Education -	100,000
Universities, &c. -	5,000
National Gallery -	2,000

<i>Ireland:—</i>	
Public Education -	240,000
Teachers' Pension Office -	600
Endowed Schools Commissioners -	200
National Gallery -	300
Queen's Colleges -	1,000
Royal Irish Academy -	200

CLASS V.

Diplomatic Services -	70,000
Consular Services -	40,000
Slave Trade Services -	5,000
Suez Canal (<i>British</i> Directors) -	—
Colonies, Grants in Aid -	4,000
South Africa and Saint Helena -	13,000
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies -	13,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid -	—

CLASS VI.

Superannuation and Retired Allowances -	125,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c. -	4,000
Pauper Lunatics, <i>England</i> -	—
Pauper Lunatics, <i>Scotland</i> -	64,000
Pauper Lunatics, <i>Ireland</i> -	4,000
Hospitals and Infirmarys, <i>Ireland</i> -	7,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency -	10,000
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, <i>Great Britain</i> -	700
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, <i>Ireland</i> -	100

CLASS VII.

Temporary Commissions -	11,000
Miscellaneous Expenses -	2,500
Public Works and Industries, <i>Ireland</i> -	10,000
Repayment of <i>Kilrush</i> and <i>Kilkee</i> Railway Deposit -	—

Total for Civil Services - £. 4,162,800

Revenue Departments.

Customs -	250,000
Inland Revenue -	550,000
Post Office -	1,820,000
Post Office Packet Service -	180,000
Post Office Telegraphs -	750,000

Total for Revenue Departments - £. 3,550,000

Grand Total - £. 7,712,800

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Saturday, 4th August, 1888:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Item of £. 16,000, for the Office of the Chief Secretary for *Ireland*, be reduced by the Sum of £. 2,000;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the, Mr. Biggar,	} 55.
Yeas, Mr. Sheil:	
Tellers for the, Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 132.
Noes, Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 652,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Transport and Remounts, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill; Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill; Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bail (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Bail (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill; High Courts in India Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill; Public Works Loans Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill; Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bann Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 19th day of July last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bann Drainage Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Barrow Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Barrow Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Shannon Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Partnership Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 13th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875 (Amendment) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861 and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870 or later that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 7th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The

Pharmacy Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of November next.

Handloom
Weavers
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary
Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Intoxicating
Liquors (New
Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Elementary
Education
(Continuation
Schools) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of November next.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]
Bill 366.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Pilotage.
No. 324.

Lord *Claud Hamilton* reported from the Select Committee on Pilotage; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Saturday, 4th August, 1888.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Nine-
teenth Report.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Merchant
Service.
No. 325.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns, showing the Number, Ages, Ratings, and Causes of Death of Masters and Seamen reported to the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen, between the 1st day of July 1886 and the 30th day of June 1887 (distinguishing the two half-years), as having died in the *British Merchant Service*:—Showing the Number, Ages, Ratings, and Causes of Death of Masters and Seamen reported to the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen, between the 1st day of July 1886 and the 30th day of June 1887 (distinguishing the two half-years), as having died in Merchant Vessels, registered in the United Kingdom and the *Isle of Man*:—Showing the Number, Ages, Ratings, and Causes of Death of Masters and Seamen reported to the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen, between the 1st day of July 1886 and the 30th day of June 1887 (distinguishing the two half-years), as having died in Fishing Vessels belonging to

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the United Kingdom and the *Isle of Man*:—And, showing the Number, Ages, Ratings, and Causes of Death of Masters and Seamen reported to the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen, between the 1st day of July 1886 and the 30th day of June 1887 (distinguishing the two half-years), as having died in Vessels registered in *British Possessions Abroad* (including the *Channel Islands*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 304, of Session 1887).

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* accordingly presented the said Returns.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Sitting of the House, this day, be held subject to the Standing Orders that regulate the Sitting of the House on Wednesday. Sitting of the House (Saturday.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 652,000, for Transport and Remounts.
2. £. 2,509,000, for Provisions, Forage, Fuel, and other Services.
3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 643,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Superintending Establishment of, and Expenditure for, Engineer Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 637,620, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Superintending Establishment of, and Expenditure for, Engineer Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. £. 1,343,900, for Out-Pensions, for the Maintenance of Lunatics for whom Pensions are not drawn, and for Gratuities awarded in commutation and in lieu of Pensions.
5. £. 720,700, for Capitation and Miscellaneous Charges of Volunteer Corps, including the Pay of the Permanent Staff.
6. £. 1,863,500, for the Expense of Naval Armaments.
7. £. 119,500, for the Expense of the Medical Establishments and Services and Cost of Medicines and Medical Stores.
8. £. 376,300, for the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad.
9. £. 55,600, for the Expenses of the several Scientific Services of the Navy.
10. £. 721,000, for the Expense of Reserved and Retired Pay to Officers of the Navy and Marines.
11. £. 743,600, for the Expense of Naval Pensions and Allowances.
12. £. 168,500, for the Expenses of Widows' Pensions and Compassionate Allowances.
13. £. 330,800, for the Expense of Civil Pensions and Gratuities.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will upon Monday next,

next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply
[3rd August.] Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 7,712,800, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charge for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, viz.:

Civil Services.

CLASS II.

England:—	£.
Land Commission for England - - -	3,000
Local Government Board - - -	135,000
Lunacy Commission - - -	4,500
Mint (including Coinage) - - -	25,000
National Debt Office - - -	5,000
Patent Office - - -	13,000
Paymaster General's Office - - -	7,500
Public Works Loan Commission - - -	3,500
Record Office - - -	6,000
Registrar General's Office - - -	16,000
Stationery Office and Printing - - -	210,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of - - -	7,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of - - -	15,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid - - -	—
Secret Service - - -	7,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for Scotland - - -	3,500
Exchequer and other Offices - - -	2,500
Fishery Board - - -	10,000
Lunacy Commission - - -	3,500
Registrar General's Office - - -	2,500
Board of Supervision - - -	23,000

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household - - -	2,000
Chief Secretary's Office - - -	16,000
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office - - -	900
Local Government Board - - -	50,000
Public Works Office - - -	12,000
Record Office - - -	2,000
Registrar General's Office - - -	6,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey - - -	7,500

CLASS III.

England:—	£.
Law Charges - - -	24,000
Criminal Prosecutions - - -	50,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - -	125,000
Wreck Commission - - -	4,000
County Courts - - -	200,000
Land Registry - - -	1,200
Revising Barristers, England - - -	20,000
Police Courts (London and Sheerness) - - -	5,500
Metropolitan Police - - -	100,000
Special Police - - -	20,000
County and Borough Police, Great Britain - - -	—
Prisons, England and the Colonies - - -	210,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Great Britain - - -	45,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - -	8,000

Scotland:—

Lord Advocate and Criminal Proceedings - - -	15,000
Courts of Law and Justice - - -	15,000
Register House Departments - - -	10,000
Crofters' Commission - - -	2,000
Police, Counties and Burghs (Scotland) - - -	150,000
Prisons, Scotland - - -	30,000

Ireland:—

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions - - -	20,000
Supreme Court of Judicature - - -	25,000
Court of Bankruptcy - - -	4,000
Admiralty Court Registry - - -	300
Registry of Deeds - - -	5,000
Registry of Judgments - - -	700
Land Commission - - -	10,900
County Court Officers, &c. - - -	44,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police (including Police Courts) - - -	50,000
Constabulary - - -	540,000
Prisons, Ireland - - -	38,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools - - -	25,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum - - -	2,300

CLASS IV.

England:—	£.
Public Education - - -	860,000
Science and Art Department - - -	130,000

	£.
<i>British Museum</i> - - - - -	35,000
<i>National Gallery</i> - - - - -	2,200
<i>National Portrait Gallery</i> - - - - -	700
<i>Learned Societies, &c.</i> - - - - -	6,000
<i>London University</i> - - - - -	4,500
<i>Universities and Colleges, Grants in Aid</i> - - - - -	3,000
<i>Deep Sea Exploring Expedition (Report)</i> - - - - -	—

Scotland:—

Public Education - - -	100,000
Universities, &c. - - -	5,000
National Gallery - - -	2,000

Ireland:—

Public Education - - -	240,000
Teachers' Pension Office - - -	600
Endowed Schools Commissioners - - -	200
National Gallery - - -	300
Queen's Colleges - - -	1,000
Royal Irish Academy - - -	200

CLASS V.

Diplomatic Services - - -	70,000
Consular Services - - -	40,000
Slave Trade Services - - -	5,000
Suez Canal (British Directors) - - -	—
Colonies, Grants in Aid - - -	4,000
South Africa and Saint Helena - - -	13,000
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies - - -	13,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid - - -	—

CLASS VI.

Superannuation and Retired Allowances - - -	125,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund, Pensions, &c. - - -	4,000
Pauper Lunatics, England - - -	—
Pauper Lunatics, Scotland - - -	64,000
Pauper Lunatics, Ireland - - -	4,000
Hospitals and Infirmaries, Ireland - - -	7,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency - - -	10,000
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Great Britain - - -	700
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, Ireland - - -	100

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Temporary Commissions - - -	11,000
Miscellaneous Expenses - - -	2,500
Public Works and Industries, Ireland - - -	10,000
Repayment of Kilmuck and Kilkee Railway Deposit - - -	—

Total for Civil Services - £. 4,162,800

Revenue Departments.

Customs - - -	250,000
Inland Revenue - - -	550,000
Post Office - - -	1,820,000
Post Office Packet Service - - -	180,000
Post Office Telegraphs - - -	750,000

Total for Revenue Departments - £. 3,550,000

Grand Total - £. 7,712,800

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

And, it being after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £. 18,326,975, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Long reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Long also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill [Lords.]

The Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Select Committee of Five Members, Three to be nominated by the House, and Two by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill presented Two clear days before the meeting of the Committee be referred to the Committee; that the Petitioners praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard against the Bill, and Counsel heard in support of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Ordered, That Mr. Marjoribanks, Mr. Penrose Fitz Gerald, and Sir Michael Hicks Beach be nominated Members of the Committee.

Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

County Court Appeals (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the County Courts (Ireland) Acts: And that Mr. T. M. Healy, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Chance, and Mr. Maurice Healy do prepare, and bring it in.

County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill. Bill 367.

Mr. Timothy Michael Healy accordingly presented a Bill to amend the County Court (Ireland) Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Libel Law Amendment Bill.

Bill 368.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 6th August, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Barry Dock and Railways (Further Powers) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Kingston-upon-Thames Improvement Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Oxford and Aylesbury Tramroad Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the South Eastern Metropolitan (Lewisham, Greenwich, and District) Tramways Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Cheadle Railway, Mineral, and Land Company Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Medina Subway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Shropshire Railways Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Glasgow Central Railway Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Glasgow Central Railway Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the *Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill*, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Nineteenth Report.

Post Office.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-fourth Report of the Postmaster General on the Post Office.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Mr. *Jackson* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 2nd August 1888, declaring that *Jeremiah Rose* was appointed Auxiliary Postman at *Loughton*, in the Department of the Post Office, without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Criminal and Judicial Statistics (Ireland), 1887.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Criminal and Judicial Statistics (*Ireland*), 1887, Part I. Police.—Criminal Proceedings.—Prisons. Part II. Civil Proceedings in Central and Larger and Smaller District Courts.

Police Expenses. No. 326.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of March last, for a Return relative to Police Expenses.

Polling Districts (Lambeth.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Justices of the *Newington* Division of *Surrey*, altering the Polling Districts of the *Norwood* Division of the Borough of *Lambeth*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Police Expenses be printed.

Secondary Education (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Circulars relating to the Inspection of Higher Class Schools, and Papers set at the Examination for Leaving Certificates, 1888, held by the *Scotch Education Department*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Drunkenness on Sunday (Convictions.)

The Order made upon the 10th day of July last, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Drunkenness on Sunday (Convictions), was read, and discharged.

Drunkenness on Sunday (Convictions.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Number of Convictions in respect of such Offences under the following Enactments as involve Drunkenness, 3 & 4 *Vic. cap.* 97, sec. 13; 10 & 11 *Vic. cap.* 89, secs. 29 and 61; 35 & 36 *Vic. cap.* 94, sec. 12, committed (i) after 12.30 (noon) on Sundays during the three years ended the 31st day of December 1887; (ii) at any other time, whether on Sundays before

12.30 (Noon), or on any Week-day during the same period; in the following Form:—

District, whether County, Borough, or other Area, having a separate Police Force.	Population (Census 1881) of such Police District.	Convictions for Offences committed.			Total.
		Year.	On Sundays after 12.30 (Noon).	At any other time, whether on Sundays before 12.30 (Noon) or on any Week-day.	
		1885			
		1886			
		1887			

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, *Sweating System*, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on the Sweating System, with Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, *Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill*, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on Pharmacy Act (*Ireland*), 1875, Amendment Bill, with Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, *Poor Law Relief*, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on Poor Law Relief, with Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Order made upon the 18th day of June last, That there be laid before this House a *Re- Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883*, was read, and discharged.

Sir *Henry James* reported from the Select *East India Committee on Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company* (Hyderabad Deccan Mining Company); That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him (Second Report.) to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before No. 327. them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, *Rating a Return with respect to each Parish in the (Metropolis.)* Metropolis, of the Population in 1881; the Number of Inhabited Houses in 1881; the Rateable Value, according to the Valuation Lists in force on the 6th day of April 1887; the several Rates made by the Rating Authority during the year ended the 25th day of March 1888, &c. (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 97, of Session 1886).

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his *Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a (West Derby Division) Writ* New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the *West Derby Division* of the Borough of *Liverpool*, in the room of *Claud John Hamilton*, Esquire, commonly called *Lord Claud Hamilton*, who, since his Election for the said Division, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of the Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a *Registration of Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Registration of Assurances, and to provide for the Registration of other Acts, Instruments,* (Ireland.)

ments, and Matters affecting Land in Ireland: And that Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland and Mr. Arthur Balfour do prepare, and bring it in. Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland accordingly presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Registration of Assurances, and to provide for the Registration of other Acts, Instruments, and Matters affecting Land in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of November next; and to be printed.

Registration of Assurances (Ireland) Bill. Bill 369.

Supply [3rd August.]

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Vote on Account.)

Mr. Speaker withholds his Consent, and declines to put the Question.

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Supply [4th August.]

Transport and Remounts.

Provisions, Forage, Fuel, &c.

Works, Buildings, and Repairs, &c.

Out-Pensions, &c.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 4th day of this instant August, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 7,712,800, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charge for the Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Mr. William Johnston rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Mr. Milvain rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 7th August, 1888:

Sir William Crossman rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 652,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Transport and Remounts, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,509,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Provisions, Forage, Fuel, and other Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 643,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Superintending Establishment of, and Expenditure for, Engineer Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,343,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Out-pensions, for the Maintenance of Lunatics for whom Pensions are not drawn, and for Gratuities awarded in commutation and in lieu of Pensions, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

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5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 720,700, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Capitation and Miscellaneous Charges of Volunteer Corps, including the Pay of the Permanent Staff, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,863,500 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Naval Armaments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 119,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Medicines and Medical Stores, of the Medical Establishments and Services and cost of Medicines and Medical Stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 376,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 55,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the several Scientific Services of the Navy, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 721,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Reserved and Retired Pay to Officers of the Navy and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 743,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Naval Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 168,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Widows' Pensions and Compassionate Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 330,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Pensions and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £. 18,326,975 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, as amended in the Committee; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.
Public Works Loans Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) (re-committed) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Tithe Rent-Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.
Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Tithe Rent-Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.
Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 16th day of April last, That the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now read a second time; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.	The Order of the day being read, for the Hawkers Bill. Second Reading of the Hawkers Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Suffragans Second Reading of the Suffragans Nomination Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Criminal Evidence Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Evidence Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.
Weights and Measures Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.
Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.	The Order of the day being read for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.
Imperial Defence Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial Defence Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill, as amended in the Committee; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of July last, That the Bann Drainage Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.
National Defence Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Defence Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	The Order of the day being read, for the Barrow Second Reading of the Barrow Drainage Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration]; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	
Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill [Lords.]	The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.	

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Shannon Drainage Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Perpetuity (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday, the 7th day of November next.

Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the several Accounts and Papers which have been presented to the House, in this Session of Parliament, relating to the Revenues of India, be referred to the consideration of a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Campbell-Bannerman reported from the Navy Select Committee on Navy Estimates; That they had made further progress in the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to till twenty-five minutes before Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 7th August, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Bridgewater
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

THE *Bridgewater* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Glasgow
Central
Railway Bill
[Lords.]

Ordered, That in the case of the *Glasgow* Central Railway Bill, Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Nine-
teenth Report.

Prison Rules
(Ireland.)
No. 329.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Prison Rules (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 3rd day of this instant August, be printed.

Habitual
Drunkards.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighth Annual Report of the Inspector of Retreats for Habitual Drunkards, for the year 1887.

Evictions
(Ireland.)

Copy of Return (compiled from Returns made to the Inspector General of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary) of the Number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary; and also the Number of Tenancies determined in the Quarter ended the 30th June 1888, showing:—

Table I. Actual Evictions under the provisions of the Land Law Act, 1887, and under other processes of Law.

Table II. The Number of Tenancies determined under Section 7 of the Land Law Act, 1887, and under other processes of Law.

Table III. The Number of Evictions, not at suit of the Landlord for Debt, Foreclosure of Mortgage, &c.

Banking
(Ireland.)

Copy of Report on certain Statistics of Banking in *Ireland*, and Investments in Government and *India* Stocks on which Dividends are payable at the Bank of *Ireland* for the half-year ended June 30th, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Poor Relief
and Public
Health
(Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Forty-third Annual Report of the Board of Supervision for the Relief of the Poor, and of Public Health in *Scotland*, 1887–88.

Prisons
(Scotland.)

Copy of Tenth Annual Report of the Prison Commissioners for *Scotland* for the year 1887–88.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Boiler
Explosions
Act, 1882.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the President of the Board of Trade on the working of the Boiler Explosions Act, 1882, for the year 1888, with Appendix (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, C. 5387).

Merchant
Shipping Act,
1876 (Vessels
Detained.)

Return of all Ships ordered by the Board of Trade, or its Officers, to be provisionally detained as unsafe, in pursuance of the provisions of 39 & 40 Vic. c. 80, ss. 6 and 13, from 1st July 1887 to 30th June 1888, giving the Names of the Owners of those Ships which have been dis-

mantled, broken up, or converted into Hulks, &c.; together with Summaries, showing the Total Number of Ships ordered to be detained as unsafe from 1st July 1887 to 30th June 1888, and since the commencement of the Act, distinguishing between those cases in which the Ships were found safe or unsafe (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, C. 5137, 1887).

Copy of General Report to the Board of Trade on the Capital, Traffic, and Expenditure of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom, for the year 1887.

Copy of Statistical Tables and Report on Labour Trade Unions.

Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom in each of the last Fifteen years, from 1873 to 1887. [Thirty-fifth Number.]

Copy of Statistical Abstracts for the several Colonial and other Possessions of the United Kingdom in each of the last Fifteen years, from 1873 to 1887. [Twenty-fifth Number.]

Copy of Statistical Tables relating to the Colonial and other Possessions of the United Kingdom, Part XVIII., for the years 1882, 1883, and 1884.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of June last, for a Return relative to Taxes on Shipping in Foreign Countries.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on their Proceedings and Business under the Weights and Measures Act, 1878, being for 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Abstracts of Accounts of County and Borough Lunatic Asylums in *England* and *Wales*, for the year ending 31st December 1887.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Despatch from the Secretary of State for *India* conveying to the Governor General of *India* the Resolution of this House of the 5th day of June 1888 with respect to Contagious Diseases Acts and Regulations in *India*.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence and Documents relating to the expulsion by the *French* of the *Rev. John Jones* from *Maré*, one of the Loyalty Islands.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, giving the Number of Arrests for Drunkenness within the Metropolitan Police District in *Dublin*, the Cities of *Cork*, *Limerick*, and *Waterford*, and the Town of *Belfast* on Sundays, between the 1st day of May 1887 and the 30th day of April 1888, both days inclusive, the Arrests to be given from Eight a.m. on Sundays until Eight a.m. on Mondays:—And, similar Returns for the rest of *Ireland*, from the 30th day of April 1887 to the 30th day of April 1888 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 229, of Session 1887).

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The

Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Bill. [Lords.]
Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Bill [Lords.]

Preston Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill [Lords.]

Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Bill [Lords.]

Shropshire Railways Bill [Lords.]

Royal Assent.

The Lords have agreed to the *Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Brighton Marine Palace and Pier* Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House, to the *Preston Corporation* Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways* Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Collingbourne and Avon Valley* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Shropshire Railways* Bill, without Amendment.

A Message was delivered by Sir James Drummond, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Law of Distress Amendment Act, 1888.
2. Factory and Workshop Amendment (*Scotland*) Act, 1888.
3. Glebe Lands Act, 1888.
4. Commons Regulation (*Therfield*) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1888.
5. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Act, 1888.
6. Oyster and Mussel Fisheries (*West Loch Tarbert*) Order Confirmation Act, 1888.
7. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 13) Act, 1888.
8. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1888.
9. North Cornwall Railway Act, 1888.
10. West Ham Corporation (Loans) Act, 1888.
11. London and Saint Katharine and East and West India Docks Act, 1888.
12. London Tramways Company (Limited) Various Powers Act, 1888.
13. Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Railways) Act, 1888.
14. Nelson Local Board Act, 1888.
15. Didcot, Newbury, and Southampton Railway Act, 1888.
16. Manchester, Middleton, and District Tramways Act, 1888.
17. Hampstead Heath Enlargement (Amendment) Act, 1888.
18. Kensington Square Improvements Act, 1888.
19. Bristol Port Railway and Pier Act, 1888.
20. Epping Church Act, 1888.
21. Bristol Waterworks Act, 1888.
22. Hexham Local Board (Water) Act, 1888.
23. Lancaster Corporation Act, 1888.

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24. Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1888.

25. Staffordshire Potteries Waterworks Act, 1888.

26. London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Act, 1888.

27. Worcester and Broom Railway (Extension of Time) Act, 1888.

28. Manchester Ship Canal (Alteration of Works) Act, 1888.

29. Free Church of Scotland Ministers' and Missionaries' Widows' and Orphans' Fund Act, 1888.

30. North British Railway Act, 1888.

31. Vale of Clyde Tramways Act, 1888.

32. Bristol Port Extension Railways (Cancellation of Bond) Act, 1888.

33. Alabama Great Southern Railway Company's Act, 1888.

34. Greenwich and Millwall Subway Act, 1888.

35. Brighton Marine Palace and Pier Act, 1888.

36. Ribble Navigation, &c. Act, 1888.

37. Raleigh Park (*Brixton*) Act, 1888.

38. Llanelly Local Board Act, 1888.

39. London and North Western Railway Act, 1888.

40. Rhymney Railway Act, 1888.

41. Vauxhall Park Act, 1888.

42. West Ham Corporation (Improvements) Act, 1888.

43. Plymouth, Devonport, and South Western Junction Railway Act, 1888.

44. Birmingham and Henley-in-Arden Railway Act, 1888.

45. Barry Dock and Railways Act, 1888.

46. Kingston-upon-Thames Improvement Act, 1888.

47. Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Act, 1888.

48. Oxford and Aylesbury Tramroad Act, 1888.

49. South Eastern Metropolitan Tramways Act, 1888.

50. Tottenham Local Board (Division of District) Act, 1888.

51. Cheadle Railway Mineral and Land Company, Limited, Act, 1888.

52. Chesham, Boxmoor, and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Act, 1888.

53. Medina Subway Act, 1888.

54. Collingbourne and Avon Valley Railway Act, 1888.

55. Shropshire Railways Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, if under consideration at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House."

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Small Debts and Distraint (*Ireland*) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sittings of the House, Exemption from the Standing Order.

Small Debts and Distraint (*Ireland*) Bill (changed from "Distress for Rent (Dublin) Bill.")

The Lords have agreed to the Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Western Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Great Western Railway Bill.

Marriages
Validation
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to remove Doubts as to the Validity of certain Marriages solemnised by a Person falsely pretending to be an ordained Clergyman of the Church of *England*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Public Health
(Scotland)
Provisional
Order (Kirk-
liston, Dal-
meny and South
Queensferry
Water) Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have disagreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Public Health (*Scotland*) Provisional Order (*Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water*) Bill, for which they assign their Reason.

Marriages
Validation
Bill [Lords.]

The Marriages Validation Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to several of them thereto, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Members of
Parliament
(Charges and
Allegations)
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Failure to appear) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Punishment for neglect to attend) (Any person summoned to attend before the Commissioners who shall refuse, neglect, or fail to attend in pursuance of any summons, shall, notwithstanding the dissolution of the Commission, be liable to punishment for contempt of the High Court of Justice in *England*, on the motion of any person who has appeared at the inquiry before such Commissioners); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Clause, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "summons," the words "or who shall refuse to make a full and true disclosure touching all the matters in respect of which he is examined."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Clause. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Clause by adding at the end thereof, the words "and any punishment of imprisonment inflicted by the Commission shall not come to an end by reason of the termination of the Commission, until the High Court of Justice shall so order."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Clause, so amended, was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Power to Commit); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Publishers of libel not to be exempt from liability); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the {Mr. Labouchere, } 120.
Yeas, {Mr. Philip Stanhope: }

Tellers for the {Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 191.
Noes, {Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Commission may report from time to time); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Particulars of charges to be furnished to the Commissioners); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the {Mr. Hunter, } 118.
Yeas, {Mr. Dillwyn: }

Tellers for the {Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 184.
Noes, {Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Place ofittings); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Members imprisoned); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (No person to be summoned until evidence has been tendered); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the {Mr. Sexton, } 109.
Yeas, {Mr. Illingworth: }

Tellers for the {Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 178.
Noes, {Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Hearing of all persons produced as Witnesses); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Proceedings to be conducted as in an action for libel); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being

being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. T. P. O'Connor, } 93.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. James Stuart: }
{ Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 169.
{ Colonel Watroux: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Specifications of allegations by persons appearing before Commission); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the original Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Committal of a person shall not be affected by dissolution of Commission); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Provisions where witness is committed for contempt); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into further consideration this day.

Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

East India Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Imperial Defence Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial Defence Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Hawkers Bill; Second Reading of the Hawkers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Suffragans' Nomination Bill; Second Reading of the Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Mortmain and into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill; Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Solicitors Bill; Second Reading of the Solicitors Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill; Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Municipal Bill to authorise the application of Funds of Municipal Corporations and other Governing Bodies of Towns in Ireland, in certain Cases: And that Mr. Jackson, Mr. Arthur Balfour, and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented a Bill to authorise the application of Funds of Municipal Corporations and other Governing Bodies of Towns in Ireland, in certain cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill; Third Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of Clause 3:—The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Buildings not to be brought forward).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 29, after the word "thereof," to insert the words "in the same street."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Solicitor General reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Oaths Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 5th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Buildings (Metropolis) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buildings (Metropolis) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of November next.

Moveable Abodes Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Abodes Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trafalgar Square (Regulation of Meetings) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Meetings in Open Spaces Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Charities Restitution Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of November next.

Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill [Lords]. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

School Board for London Election Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, Amendment Bill. *Ordered*, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, Amendment Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House

hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the *British and Irish Industry Bill*, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of November next.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of imposing a Stamp Duty on every Copy of Memorandum of Enfranchisement, and every Receipt for Compensation, which may be given under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to amend the Copyhold Acts;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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PRAYERS.

THE House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill*, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in Clause 15a, l. 1, by leaving out from the first word "The," to the word "Heads," in l. 8;

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Weights and Measures, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant August, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Taxes on Shipping in Foreign Countries, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant August, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Board of Visitors appointed by the Secretary of State for War for the year 1888 to inspect the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.

Copy of Report of the Board of Visitors appointed by the Secretary of State for War for the Inspection of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, in the year 1888.

Copy of Twenty-sixth Report of the Royal Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund for 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ritchie presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of May last, for Returns relative to Counties (England and Wales).

Mr. Ritchie also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Boundary Commissioners of England and Wales, 1888, Vols. I. and II.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon Table.

Labour
Statistics.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Board of Trade on the Sweating System in *Leeds*, by the Labour Correspondent of the Board.

Mercantile
Marine (Colour
Blindness.)

Copy of Report by the Assistant Secretary of the Marine Department to the Secretary of the Board of Trade upon the Colour Tests used in examining Candidates for Masters' and Mates' Certificates of Competency and others in the *British Mercantile Marine*, with Appendix X.

Tramway and
Gas and Water
Orders.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their Proceedings under "The Tramways Act, 1870," and "The Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870," during the Session of 1888.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Provisional
Orders (Costs.)

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of September, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Provisional Orders submitted to Parliament for Confirmation during the years 1886 and 1887, showing the Costs to the Promoters, in each case, of obtaining the Order, and, in the case of Orders for the Compulsory Purchase of Land, Particulars as to the Land authorised to be taken.

Mortmain
Licences.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of July last, for a Return relative to Mortmain Licences.

Prosecution of
Offences Acts,
1879 and 1884.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of July last, for a Return relative to the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884.

Aliens.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 31st day of July last, for a Return relative to Aliens.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

National
Gallery
(Ireland.)

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Director to the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of *Ireland* for the year 1886.

Standing
Order XXV.
(Closure of
Debate.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Standing Order XXV. (Closure of Debate).

No. 332.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Agrarian
Offences
(Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Offences committed in Crofting Parishes of the Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*, arising out of Disputes in regard to right to Land, or the Rent of Land, during and since 1874, in Form as under:—

Names.	Offence charged.	Locality of Offence.	Court before which Trial took place.	Date of Trial.	Result of Trial.	Punishment.

Business of
the House,
Wednesday
Sittings.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders of the House relating to Wednesday Sittings be suspended this day.

Consolidated
Fund (No. 3)
Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:

[New Title.]

A Bill to apply the Sum of Twenty million six hundred and ninety-three thousand three hundred and seventy-five pounds out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year

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ending on the Thirty-first day of March One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 2, by inserting after the word "action" the words "and shall exercise the same as in the case of such action."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. *Donald Crawford* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the said Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bradlaugh*,

Yeas, { Mr. *Burt*;

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,

Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*;

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So it passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 6, by inserting after the word "the" the words "enabling and:"

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 7, by leaving out from the word "contempt" to the word "and," in l. 10.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 21, by inserting after the word "solicitor," the words, "Where it shall appear to the Commissioners that any person affected by any of the said charges or allegations is at any time during the holding of the said inquiry detained or imprisoned under any of the provisions of 'The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1887,' the Commissioners may, subject to such conditions as regards bail, or otherwise, as they may prescribe, order the release of such person during the pendency of the inquiry, or during such period as may be necessary to enable him effectually to defend himself against such charges and allegations."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, by inserting at the end of the last Amendment, the words "Where evidence is taken abroad, due notice shall be given to persons entitled to appear before the Commissioners, and such persons shall be entitled to appear, and to be represented by counsel or solicitor, when evidence is taken abroad, and to examine and cross-examine witnesses."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 1, by leaving out after the word "any" the words "civil or."

And the Question being put, That the words "civil or" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 168.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Sexton, } 105.
Noes, { Mr. Dillwyn: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House declines to appoint a Commission for inquiry into matters connected with political movements unless such inquiry be confined to definite charges of a criminal nature against specified individuals," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 180.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 64.
Noes, { Mr. Dillwyn: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Rail (Scotland) Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bail (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (No fees exigible against accused in respect of application for bail); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be added to the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Hunter, } 46.
Yeas, { Mr. Angus Sutherland: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 162.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Clause was made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 14, by inserting after the word "who," the words "has been apprehended or who."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made

to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 18, by leaving out the words "or refuse to admit."

And the Question being put, That the words "or refuse to admit" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

An Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 8, by inserting after the word "bail" the words "before or."

And the Question being proposed, That the words "before or" be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 12, by leaving out from the word "advocate" to the word "provided," in l. 19.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 21, by inserting after the word "shall" the words "within seventy-two hours of its presentation."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 28, by leaving out the words "seventy-two," in order to insert the words "forty-eight."

And the Question being put, That the words "seventy-two" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) Bill (re-committed) Bill; and Health (Scotland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 15th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Public Works Loans Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill; Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of November next. [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Sea Fisheries
Regulation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of an Amendment to Clause 8:—The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Jackson reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill in respect of Clause 8.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with an amended Title, as followeth:

Title Amended. A Bill for the Regulation of the Sea Fisheries of England and Wales.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Hawkers
Bill.

The Hawkets Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Municipal
Funds (Ireland)
Bill.

The Municipal Funds (*Ireland*) Bill was according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Copyhold Acts
Amendment
[Stamp Duty].

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Copyhold Acts Amendment [Stamp Duty].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to impose on every copy of Memorandum of Enfranchisement, and every Receipt for Compensation, which may be given under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to amend the Copyhold Acts, the same Stamp Duty as is charged on a Deed of Conveyance.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Jackson reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 9th August, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Wrexham and
Ellesmere Rail-
way Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill*; and the same were twice read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House VOL. 143.

hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That in the case of the *Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction Railway Bill*, Standing Order 246 be suspended, and that the Lords' Amendments be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That in the case of the *Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill*, Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Nine-
teenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Counties (*England and Wales*), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant August, be printed.

Counties
(*England and Wales*).
No. 333.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Provisional Orders (Costs), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant August, be printed.

Provisional
Orders (Costs).
No. 334.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant August, be printed.

Prosecution of
Offences Acts,
1879 and 1884.
No. 335.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Aliens, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant August, be printed.

Aliens.
No. 336.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports by Her Majesty's Diplomatic and Consular Officers Abroad on the subject of the best means of increasing the demand in Foreign Countries for *Scotch-cured Herrings* and other Fish.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Herring Trade
(*Scotland*).

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Annual Return of the *British Army* for the year 1887, with Abstracts, &c.

Copy of Report on the Discipline and Management of the Military Prisons, for the year 1887.

Army (Military
Prisons.)

Mr. Secretary Stanhope also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 1st day of June last, for a Return relative to the Army (Courts Martial).

Army (Courts
Martial.)
No. 337.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to the Army (Courts Martial) be printed.

Sir John Gorst presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Sanitary Measures in *India* in 1886-87, together with Miscellaneous Information up to June 1888. Vol. XX.

East India
(Sanitary
Measures.)

- East India (Statistical Abstract.)** Statistical Abstract relating to *British India*, from 1877-78 to 1886-87. Twenty-second Number.
- East India (Upper Burma, Intoxicating Liquors.)** Sir *John Gorst* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 3rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to *East India (Upper Burma, Intoxicating Liquors.)* No. 338.
- East India (Contagious Diseases Acts.)** Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 7th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to *East India (Contagious Diseases Acts.)* No. 339.
- East India (Progress and Condition.)** Sir *John Gorst* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Statement exhibiting the Moral and Material Progress and Condition of *India* during the year 1886-87. Twenty-third Number.
- Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Returns relative to *East India (Upper Burma, Intoxicating Liquors.)*, and *East India (Contagious Diseases Acts.)* be printed.
- Local Taxation (Ireland.)** Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* in regard to the Allocation of the Grant in aid of Local Taxation in *Ireland* for the year 1888-9.
- Superannuation Act, 1887.** Mr. *Jackson* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return for the year ended 31st March 1888 of the Army and Navy Officers permitted, under Rule 2 of the Regulations drawn up under Section 6 of "The Superannuation Act, 1887," to hold Civil Employment of Profit under Public Departments.
- Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
- Public Records (Ireland.)** Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Twentieth Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in *Ireland*.
- Agricultural Statistics (Ireland.)** General Abstracts of Agricultural Statistics in *Ireland*, 1888, showing the Acreage under Crops, also the Number and Description of Live Stock in each County and Province, 1887-88.
- Marriages, Births, and Deaths (Ireland.)** Copy of Twenty-fourth Detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General of Marriages, Births, and Deaths in *Ireland*, 1887.
- Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Ireland.)** Copy of Twenty-sixth Report of the Inspector appointed to visit the Reformatory and Industrial Schools of *Ireland*.
- Elementary Education Acts (Royal Commission.)** Copy of Final Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the working of the Elementary Education Acts, together with Foreign Returns, Statistical Report, Training College Returns, and Appendix.
- Inferior Courts of Record (Officers, &c.)** Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Further Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for Returns relative to Inferior Courts of Record (Officers, &c.) No. 187-I.
- Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Inferior Courts of Record (Officers, &c.) be printed.
- Local Government Board.** Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventeenth Annual Report of the Local Government Board, 1887-88, with Supplement containing the Report of the Medical Officer for 1887.
- Sanitary Acts (Appointments of Medical Officers of Health.)** Mr. *Ritchie* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 359. of Session 1873), as to the present Appointments of Medical Officers of Health in *England* and *Wales* under the General Sanitary Acts, or any Local Act, distinguishing, respectively, the Appointments which are made by single Urban Authorities, the Appointments which are made by single Rural Authorities, and the Appointments which are made by two or more Authorities in combination.
- Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of April last, for a Return relative to Vestries, Parishes (*England* and *Wales*).
- Mr. *Ritchie* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Part III., of Local Taxation Returns for *England*, containing Accounts of Municipal Boroughs, Urban and Rural Sanitary Authorities, Burial Boards, Commissioners of Baths and Washhouses, &c.
- Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Local Taxation Returns (*England*) be printed.
- Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns of Accidents and Casualties, as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the Six Months ended 30th June 1888, in pursuance of the Regulation of Railways Act (1871), 34 & 35 Vic. c. 78, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.
- Returns by Railway Companies of the United Kingdom on the use of Continuous Brakes, for the Six Months ending the 30th June 1888.
- Copy of Fifth Report by the Board of Trade on Bankruptcy, in pursuance of Section 131 of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883.
- Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of July last, for a Return relative to the Sugar Trade.
- Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of Receipt and Expenditure under the Seamen's Fund Winding-up Act from 1st January to 31st December 1887.
- Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade, under the Authority of the Seamen's Savings Bank Act, 1856, during the year ended 20th November 1887, and of the Interest thereon:—Also, Statement showing the Number and Amount of Seamen's Money Orders issued at Ports in the United Kingdom and at Ports Abroad, and paid from 1855 to 31st March 1888:—Also, Statement showing the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Transmission of Seamen's Wages from 1878 to 31st March 1888.
- Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
- Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 400 and 401.
- Copy of Most Favoured Nation Clauses in existing Treaties of Commerce and Navigation between *Great Britain* and Foreign Powers, stating the period when terminable, and showing whether they apply to the *British Colonies*.
- Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
- The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Reports of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, for the year ending 31st December 1887, on Friendly Societies, Industrial and Provident Societies, and Trade Unions.
- Ordered*, That the said Paper be printed.
- Ordered*,

Timber Acts
(Ireland)
Amendment
Bill.

Bill 375.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Returning
Officers'
Expenses)
(Scotland) Bill.

Pharmacy Act
(Ireland) 1875,
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

Kitchen and
Refreshment
Rooms (House
of Commons.)
No. 343.

Lloyd's (Signal
Station) Bill
[Lords.]

No. 344.

Bill 372.

Steel Manufac-
tures, Sheffield.

Gas Under-
takings (Local
Authorities)
1888.

No. 345.

Gas Under-
takings (other
than Local
Authorities)
1887.

No. 346.

Tramways
(Street and
Road.)

No. 347.

Public Health
(Scotland) Pro-
visional Order
(Kirkliston,
Dalmeny, and
South Queens-
ferry Water)
Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill; *Resolved*, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons) have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House.

Mr. Sidney Herbert reported from the Select Committee on the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons); That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach reported from the Select Committee on Lloyd's (Signal Station) Bill; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for To-morrow; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Joint Letter from certain Steel Manufacturers of Sheffield to the Chairman of the Select Committee on Army Estimates, and referred by the Committee to the Secretary of State for War, together with his Reply thereto.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom, belonging to Local Authorities for the year ended 25th March 1888.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom other than those of Local Authorities for the year ended 31st December 1887.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of July last, for a Return relative to Tramways (Street and Road).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Reason assigned by the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendments made by this House to the Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the Office of Divisional Magistrates in Ireland: And that Mr. Jackson, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Arthur Balfour do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the Office of Divisional Magistrates in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, until the Government Orders are disposed of, so much of the Standing Order No. 1, Sittings of the House, as relates to the interruption of Business at midnight, the right of objection after midnight, and the Adjournment of the House at One o'clock, be suspended this day and To-morrow;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting, after the words "Government Orders," the words "and the Order for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill";

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Colonel Hughes,

Yeas, Mr. Byron Reed:

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Noes, Colonel Walrond:

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That, until the Government Orders are disposed of, so much of the Standing Order No. 1, Sittings of the House, as relates to the interruption of Business at midnight, the right of objection after midnight, and the Adjournment of the House at One o'clock, be suspended this day and To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Oaths Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now," stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Bradlaugh,

Yeas, Mr. John Kelly:

Tellers for the Mr. De Lisle,

Noes, Colonel Sandys:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on East India Revenue Accounts.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it appears, by the Accounts laid before this House, that the Total Revenue of India for the year ending the 31st day of March 1887, was * Rs. 77,337,134; that the Total Expenditure in India and in England charged to Revenue was

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Rx. 77,158,707;

Divisional
Magistrates
(Ireland.)

Divisional
Magistrates
(Ireland) Bill.
Bill 374.

Sittings of the
House (Suspend-
ion of the
Standing
Order.)

East India
Revenue Ac-
counts.

* Tens of
Rupees.

Rx. 77,158,707; that there was a surplus of Revenue over Expenditure of Rx. 178,427; and that the Capital Outlay on Railways and Irrigation Works was Rx. 5,670,484, besides a Capital Charge of £. 4,914,546 involved in the Redemption of Liabilities;

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Question, to add the words "But this Committee is of opinion that the economies proposed by the Army Commission in India should be enforced, especially those which would do away with the Commands in Chief in Madras and Bombay; and that the Civil administration of those Presidencies might be more economically conducted, but with equal if not greater efficiency, by making those Presidencies Lieutenant Governorships instead of Governorships."

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

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Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Sir William Plowden, } 36.
Yeas, Dr. Tanner:

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 105.
Noes, Colonel Walrond:

Original Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Recorders, Magistrates, and Clerks of the Peace Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Recorders, Magistrates, and Clerks of the Peace Bill, without Amendment.

Forest of Dean Turnpike Trust Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Forest of Dean Turnpike Trust Bill, without Amendment.

Glasgow Central Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Glasgow Central Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill be taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

Bill 373.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 5, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Power to expend money for sundry purposes during the year 1889).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 101.
Yeas, Colonel Walrond;

Tellers for the Mr. Cremer, } 31.
Noes, Dr. Tanner:

CLAUSES, N° 7 to N° 9, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10 (Extension of amount of loans to the managers of Metropolitan Asylum District).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 100.
Yeas, Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Mr. Pickersgill, } 28.
Noes, Mr. James Rowlands:

CLAUSES, N° 11 to N° 25, agreed to.

Dr. Tanner moved to report Progress; but the Chairman was of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, and declined to propose the Question thereon to the Committee. (Chairman declines to propose the Question (Abuse of Rules.)

The First Schedule to the Third Schedule, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Grants for Public Works and Scotch Fishery Board)

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and negatived.

CLAUSES, N° 2 to N° 9, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill; and, after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Imperial Defence Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Defence Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Calling out for actual Military Service of Yeomanry and Volunteers).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Question put, and Negatived.

CLAUSE, N° 3, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, agreed to.

CLAUSE,

CLAUSE, N° 5, amended, and agreed to.
A Clause added.
The first Schedule amended, and agreed to.
The Second Schedule agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 15th day of November next.

High Courts in India Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 15th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 15th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bann Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of July last, That the Bann Drainage Bill be referred to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 15th day of November next.

Barrow Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Barrow Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 15th day of November next.

Shannon Drainage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 15th day of November next.

East India Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

Suffragans Nomination Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Suffragans Nomination Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Solicitors Bill was, according to Order, Solicitors read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day. Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill; Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Hawkers Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment. Hawkers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill; Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill. Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1, to N° 5, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Vote of the Electors).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 21, to leave out the word "persons" in order to insert the words "twelve persons."

Question proposed, That the word "person" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 7 to N° 11, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Copyhold Acts Amendment (Stamp Duty), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth: Copyhold Acts Amendment (Stamp Duty), a Resolution [Stamp Duty.]

That it is expedient to impose on every copy of Memorandum of Enfranchisement, and every Receipt for Compensation, which may be given under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to amend the Copyhold Acts, the same Stamp Duty as is charged on a Deed of Conveyance.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Marriages Validation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House. Marriages Validation Bill [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Solicitor General reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time :—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Local
Bankruptcy
(Ireland)
Bill [Lords.]

The Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half-an-hour after Three of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 10th August, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Message from
the Lords.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Consolidated
Fund (No. 3)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill, without Amendment.

Merchant
Shipping
(Life Saving
Appliances)
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Bill, without Amendment.

Mersey Rail-
way (No. 1) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Mersey Railway (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment.

Wrexham and
Ellesmere
Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Railway and
Canal Traffic
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill, without Amendment.

Rotherham
and Bawtry
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Rotherham and Bawtry Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Great Western
and Great
Northern
Junction
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Great Western
Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Western Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Standing
Orders.

Standing Order 1 was read, and amended, by inserting, in p. 22, after the word "Tramway," the words "by which term as used in these Orders is meant a Tramway to be laid along a street or road. 'Tramroad,' by which term as used in these Orders is meant any Tramway other than a Tramway to be laid along a street or road."

In p. 25, by inserting after the words "Before the Examiners," the words "In these Orders" (3 to 68 inclusive), unless the context otherwise requires, the term 'Railway' includes 'Tramroad,' and the term 'occupier' applies only to ratepayers, and to other persons not being ratepayers, whose interest in the premises occupied is not less than that of a quarterly tenant."

Standing Order 3 was read, and amended, by leaving out, in l. 3, the word "Notices," and inserting the word "Notice."

In l. 15, by leaving out the word "Notices," and inserting the word "Notice."

In l. 20, by inserting after the word "shall," the words "except as provided by Standing Order 9."

In l. 21, by inserting after the word "Bill," the words "and shall be subscribed with the name and address of the Person, Company, Corporation, or Firm responsible for the publication of the Notice."

Standing Order 6 was read, and amended:—

In l. 1, by leaving out the words "in any street."

In l. 2, by leaving out the word "Notices," and by inserting the word "Notice."

In l. 3, by inserting, after the word "street," the words "or road."

In l. 7, by inserting after the words "side of the," the words "street or."

In l. 8, by leaving out after the word "also," the word "state," and by inserting the words "specify the gauge to be adopted and."

New Standing Order to follow Standing Order 6A:

6B *Ordered*, That, in the case of a Bill for constructing a Tramroad, the notice shall specify the gauge to be adopted and the motive power to be employed.

Standing Order 9 was read, and repealed.

New Standing Order, to follow Standing Order 8:—

Ordered, That, in the months of October and November, or either of them, immediately preceding the application for a Bill, the Notice shall be published once in the London, Edinburgh and, Dublin Gazette, as the case may be, and in the following newspapers, namely:—

(1.) In the case of a Bill relating specially to any particular city, borough, town, or urban sanitary district, the Notice shall be published once in each of two successive weeks, with an interval between such publications of not less than six clear days, in some one and the same newspaper published in such city, borough, town, or district, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in some one and the same newspaper published in the county in which such city, borough, town, or district or any part thereof is situate;

(2.) In the case of a Bill authorising the construction of works or the taking of lands, or extending the time granted by a former Act for the construction of works or taking of lands, situate in one county only, or relating to an undertaking situate in one county only, or promoted by a Company or Companies or other parties possessed of an undertaking situate in one county only, the Notice shall be published once in each of two successive weeks, with an interval between such publications of not less than six clear days, in some one and the same newspaper published in that county, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in some one and the same newspaper published in some county adjoining or near thereto;

(3.) In

(3.) In the case of a Bill authorising the construction of works or the taking of lands, or extending the time granted by a former Act for the construction of works or the taking of lands, in more than one county, or relating to an undertaking situate in more than one county, or promoted by a Company or Companies or other parties possessed of an undertaking situate in more than one county, the Notice shall be published once in each of two successive weeks, with an interval between such publications of not less than six clear days, in some one and the same newspaper, published at least six days in the week in *London, Edinburgh, or Dublin*, as the case may be, and in some one and the same newspaper of the county in which the principal office of the Company or Companies or other parties who are the promoters of the Bill is situate, and in some one and the same newspaper published in each county in which any new works are proposed to be constructed, or in which any lands are intended to be taken, or in which any works or lands are situate, in respect of which any new or further powers for the completion or taking thereof are intended to be applied for, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in some one and the same newspaper published in some county adjoining or near thereto: *Provided always, That, if the Bill relates to lands or works situate in more than one county, it shall be sufficient (at the option of the promoters) to publish in each of such counties so much only of the Notice as relates specifically to the lands or works situate in that county, together with the short title of the Notice and an intimation that the Notice has been published in full, or sent for publication in full in the Gazette;*

(4.) No publication under this Order shall be made after the 27th day of November.

Standing Order 10 was read, and amended:—

In l. 3, after the word "constructing," by leaving out the word "a" and inserting the words "an underground railway or."

In l. 4, by leaving out the word "any," and inserting the word "every."

In l. 4, by leaving out the words "or streets."

In l. 6, before the word "subway," by inserting the words "railway or."

In l. 7, by leaving out the words "or streets."

In l. 9, by inserting after the word "in," the word "every."

In l. 9, by leaving out the words "or streets."

In l. 10, by leaving out the word "Tramways," and inserting the words "Tramway, railway, or "subway."

Standing Order 13 was read and amended, in l. 5, by leaving out the word "highway," and inserting the words "street or road."

Standing Order 18 was read, and repealed.

Royal Assent. A Message was delivered by Sir *James Drummond*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the

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Lords, thereby authorised, declared the Royal Assent to the Acts, as follow:

1. Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Act, 1888.
2. Recorders, Magistrates, and Clerks of the Peace Act, 1888.
3. Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Amendment Act, 1888.
4. Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888.
5. Merchant Shipping (Life Saving Appliances) Act, 1888.
6. *Forest of Dean* Turnpike Trust Abolition Act, 1888.
7. *Glasgow Central* Railway Act, 1888.
8. *Bridgewater* Railway Act, 1888.
9. *Llangammarch and Neath and Brecon Junction* Railway Act, 1888.
10. *Wrexham and Ellesmere* Railway Act, 1888.
11. *Mersey* Railway Act, 1888.

Then the House resumed the consideration Standing of the proposed Amendments to the Standing Orders.

New Standing Order to follow Standing Order 17:—

Ordered, That on or before the twenty-first day of December immediately preceding the application for a Bill whereby any compulsory running powers are proposed to be taken over any railway, notice in writing of such Bill, and of the intention to apply for such running powers, shall be served upon every company owning or working such railway.

Standing Order 22, was read, and amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "along any public "highway."

Standing Order 25A, was read, and amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the word "street."

Standing Order 33, was read, and amended:—

In l. 17, by inserting, after the word "Department," the words "a printed copy of every "Bill relating to any Company, body, or person "carrying on business in any Colony or *British Possession* at the Office of the Secretary of "State for the Colonies."

In l. 19, by leaving out after the word "Bill," from the word "whereby," inclusive, to the word "of," in l. 27, inclusive, and by inserting the words "relating to."

In l. 27, by inserting after the word "matter," the words "*England or Wales*."

In p. 33, l. 1, by leaving out after the word "Board," the words "and of every Bill relating "to Turnpike Roads or Trusts, Highways, or "Bridges."

In p. 33, l. 2, by leaving out the words "the "Local Government," and inserting the word "that."

In p. 33, l. 2, by leaving out after the word "Board," the word "and."

In p. 33, l. 5, by inserting after the word "Department," the words "a printed copy of "every Bill affecting Crown property at the "Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's "Works and Public Buildings, and at the Office "of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land "Revenues: and a printed copy of every Bill "affecting the Duchy of *Cornwall* or the Duchy "of *Lancaster* at the Office of such Duchy respectively."

Standing Order 38, was read, and amended:—

In l. 11, by inserting after the word "lodgers," the words "or which revives or extends any such "power."

In l. 16, by inserting after the word "thereto," the words "this Standing Order shall not apply "where a statement in pursuance of this Standing Order was deposited in respect of the Act, "the powers of which are proposed to be revived "or extended."

Standing Order 45, was read, and amended, l. 1, by leaving out the word "street."

Standing Order 61, was read, and amended:—

In l. 21, by inserting after the word "made," the words "and in the case of any place within the limits of the Metropolis, as defined by 'The Metropolis Management Act, 1855,' and the Acts amending the same, with the clerk of the vestry, or of the district Board, as the case may be."

In l. 36, by adding after the word "Examiner," the words "compliance with this Order shall be optional and not compulsory in the case of alterations made on Petition for additional Provision in the House of Lords."

Standing Order 62, was read, and amended:—

In l. 18, by leaving out after the word "proprietor," the words "and shall be addressed to each proprietor on the back of the form of proxy."

In l. 34, by inserting after the word "represented," the words "by the votes."

In l. 40, by inserting after the word "separately," the words "The names of the proprietors present in person at the meeting shall be recorded by the Company. For this purpose the meeting and any other consecutive meetings, whether general or special, and whether preceding or following it, shall be deemed to be the same meeting. A poll may be demanded by any proprietor present in person at the meeting."

Standing Order 63, was read, and amended:—

In l. 2, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In l. 3, by inserting after the word "by," the words "Act of Parliament."

In l. 5, by leaving out after the word "instrument," the words "other than Act of Parliament."

L. 6, by inserting after the word "of," the words "a Committee or."

In l. 6, by inserting after the word "trustees," the words "(and not being a company to which the preceding Order applies)."

In l. 7, by leaving out after the word "Association," the words "of such Company."

In l. 9, by leaving out after the word "regulating," the words "the same," and by inserting the words "such Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership."

In l. 11, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In p. 41, l. 7, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In p. 41, l. 11, by inserting after the word "and," the words "(where applicable) in."

In p. 41, l. 11, by leaving out after the word "the," the word "shareholders," and by inserting the word "proprietors."

In p. 41, l. 12, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In p. 41, l. 14, by inserting after the word "transacted," the words "and voting at such meeting."

P. 41. l. 17, by inserting after the word "office."—

"The names of the proprietors or members present in person at the meeting shall be recorded by the Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership. For this purpose the meeting, and any other consecutive meetings, whether general or special, and whether preceding or following it, shall be deemed to be the same meeting."

"A poll may be demanded by any one proprietor or member present in person at the meeting, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in any instrument constituting or regulating the Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership."

"If a poll is taken there shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office a statement of the number of votes."

"So far as any such Bill relates to a separate class of proprietors or members of any Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership, as distinct from the proprietors or members generally, such Bill shall be approved or assented to by the proprietors or members generally, and also by the separate class of proprietors or members, and the provisions of this Order applicable to the proprietors or members generally shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to the separate class of proprietors or members."

Standing Order 64 was read, and amended:—

In l. 32, by leaving out after the word "proprietor," the words "and shall be addressed to each proprietor on the back of the form of proxy."

In p. 42, l. 4, by inserting after the word "represented," the words "by the votes."

In p. 42, l. 10, by inserting after the word "separately," the words "The names of the proprietors present in person at the meeting shall be recorded by the Company. For this purpose the meeting, and any other consecutive meetings whether general or special and whether preceding or following it, shall be deemed to be the same meeting. A poll may be demanded by any proprietor present in person at the meeting."

Standing Order 65 was read, and amended:—

In l. 3, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In l. 4, by inserting after the word "by," the words "Act of Parliament."

In l. 6, by leaving out after the word "instruments," the words "other than Act of Parliament."

In l. 7, by inserting after the word "of," the words "a Committee or."

In l. 8, by inserting after the word "trustees," the words "(and not being a Company to which the preceding Order applies)."

In l. 10, by leaving out after the word "regulating," the words "the same," and by inserting the words "such Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership."

In l. 12, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In l. 19, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In l. 23, by inserting after the word "and," the words "(where applicable) in."

In l. 23, by leaving out after the word "the," the word "shareholders," and inserting the word "proprietors."

In l. 24, by inserting after the word "Company," the word "Society."

In l. 26, by inserting after the word "transacted," the words "and voting at such meeting."

In l. 42, by inserting after the word "co-partnership,"—

"The names of the proprietors or members present in person at the meeting shall be recorded by the Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership. For this purpose the meeting, and any other consecutive meetings, whether general or special, and whether preceding or following it, shall be deemed to be the same meeting."

"A poll may be demanded by any one proprietor or member present in person at the meeting, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in any instrument constituting or regulating the Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership."

"If a poll is taken, there shall be deposited in the

"the Private Bill Office a statement of the number of votes.

"So far as any such Bill relates to a separate class of proprietors or members of any Company, Society, Association, or co-partnership as distinct from the proprietors or members generally, such Bill shall be approved or assented to by the proprietors or members generally, and also by the separate class of proprietors or members; and the provisions of this Order applicable to the proprietors or members generally shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to the separate class of proprietors or members."

Standing Order 66 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by inserting after the word "Parliament," the words "or any class of holders of share or loan capital in any such Company."

In l. 4, by leaving out the word "towards."

In l. 4, by leaving out the word "and," and by inserting the word "or."

In l. 5, by inserting after the word "subscript," the word "towards."

In l. 10, by inserting after the word "Company," the words "or the class of holders of share or loan capital."

In l. 12, by leaving out after the words "proprietors of the," the words "ordinary shares in such."

In l. 13, by inserting after the word "Company," the words "or of any such class of holders of share or loan capital as the case may be."

In l. 24, by inserting after the word "Company," the words "or of such class of holders of share or loan capital."

In l. 25, by inserting after the word "London," the words "Edinburgh or Dublin."

In l. 25, by inserting after the word "Gazette," the words "as the case may be."

Standing Order 76 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out after the word "Commissioner," the words "for taking affidavits," and by inserting the words "to administer oaths in the Supreme Court of Judicature."

In l. 5, by inserting after the word "substitute," the words "or a justice of the peace."

Standing Order 84 was read, and amended, in l. 9, by inserting after the word "Department," the words "at the office of the Secretary of State for the Colonies."

In l. 12, by inserting after the word "Department," the words "at the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, at the Office of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and at the Office of the Duchy of Cornwall or the Duchy of Lancaster."

Standing Order 90 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 142 was read, and amended:—

In l. 5, by leaving out after "Commissioners" the words "for taking affidavits," and by inserting the words "to administer oaths in the Supreme Court of Judicature."

In l. 6, by inserting after the word "substitute," the words "or a justice of the peace."

New Standing Order to follow Standing Order 143:—

Petitioner who has discussed Bill in House of Lords, &c.

Ordered, That a petitioner against a Bill originating in the House of Lords, who has discussed clauses in that House, shall not on that account be precluded from opposing the preamble of the Bill in this House.

Standing Order 153 was read, and amended, in l. 8, by inserting after the word "Tramway," the word "Tramroad," and by leaving out the word "Bill."

New Standing Order to follow Standing Order 168:—

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Ordered, That the foregoing Orders No. 145 A. Application of and Nos. 158 to 168, inclusive, shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to Subways, Subway Companies, and Subway Bills, and to Tramroads, Tramroad Companies, and Tramroad Bills.

Tramroad Bills.

Ordered, That, in every Bill for the construction of a Tramroad of Railway gauge, and intended to communicate with a Railway, a Clause shall be inserted that the provisions of "The Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1854," and of the Regulation of Railways Acts, 1873 and 1874, shall apply to the Company as if they were a Railway or Canal Company, and to the Tramroad to be authorised by the Act as if such Tramroad were a Railway or Canal.

Ordered, That the said Orders be Standing Orders of this House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Reason assigned by the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by this House to the Public Health (Scotland) Provisional Order (Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water) Bill; and the same was again read.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist upon the Amendments to which the Lords have disagreed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House doth not insist on their Amendments to the Bill to which the Lords have disagreed.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee upon Monday next, on the Criminal Evidence Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 15th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (New Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases) Bill;

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Ordered, Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next.

Canal Development Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Canal Development Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of November next.

Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill [Lords.] *Ordered*, That the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings before the Committee on the *Lloyd's* (Signal Stations) Bill be printed.

Fishery Acts Amendment (Ireland) Bill. *Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Fishery Acts Amendment (*Ireland*) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Nineteenth Report.

Mortmain Licences. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Mortmain Licences, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant August, be printed.

East India (Progress and Condition.) *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Progress and Condition), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Superannuation Act, 1887. *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to the Superannuation Act, 1887, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Sanitary Acts (Appointments of Medical Officers of Health.) *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the Sanitary Acts (Appointments of Medical Officers of Health), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Vestries, Parishes (England and Wales.) *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Vestries, Parishes (*England* and *Wales*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Sugar Trade. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the Sugar Trade, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Merchant Seamen's Fund. *Ordered*, That the Account relative to the Merchant Seamen's Fund, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages.) *Ordered*, That the Accounts relative to Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Colonial Possessions (Labuan.) *Ordered*, That the Accounts relative to Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Colonial Possessions (Malta.) *Ordered*, That the Accounts relative to Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

South Africa (Zululand.) *Ordered*, That the Accounts relative to Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Cyprus. *Ordered*, That the Accounts relative to Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

British Bechuanaland. *Ordered*, That the Accounts relative to Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant August, be printed.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twentieth Report on the Judicial Statistics of *Scotland*, being for the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Jackson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Account of the Fee Fund of the House of Lords from 1st April 1887 to the 31st March 1888.

Copy of Thirty-first Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Inland Revenue on the Duties under their Management, for the year ended 31st March 1888.

Copy of Agreement regulating the Postal Relations of *Italy*, and the rest of *Europe* via *Italy* with *Australia*, *New Zealand*, *Tasmania*, and the *Fiji Islands*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns of Local Taxation in *Ireland*, for the year 1887, collected and compiled under the direction of the Local Government Board, by desire of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

Copy of Appendix to the Fifty-fourth Report of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland* (being for the year 1887).

Copy of Report and Tables relating to Migratory Agricultural Labourers (*Ireland*), 1888.

Copy of Rule made by the *Irish Land Commissioners*, dated 23rd July 1888.

Copy of Second Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Civil Establishments of the different Offices of State at Home and Abroad, with Minutes of Evidence.

Copy of Third Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the recent Changes in the relative Values of the Precious Metals, with Minutes of Evidence, &c.

Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Draft of the Rules proposed to be made by the Board of Trade with respect to the classification of Merchandise Traffic, and Schedule of Minimum Rates and Terminal Charges applicable thereto, to be submitted to the Department.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Draft of Rules proposed to be made by the Board of Trade with respect to classification of Merchandise, Traffic, and Schedules of Maximum Rates and Terminal Charges applicable thereto, to be submitted to the Department.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Finance Committee of 1886.

Mr. *Joseph Chamberlain* reported from the Select Committee on Small Holdings; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed

Judicial Statistics (*Scotland*.)

Fee Fund (House of Lords.)

Inland Revenue.

Italy (Postal Convention.)

Local Taxation (*Ireland*) Returns.

National Education (*Ireland*.)

Agricultural Statistics (*Ireland*) 1888 (Migratory Labourers.)

Irish Land Commission (Rule.)

Civil Establishments (Royal Commission.)

Gold and Silver (Royal Commission.)

Police (Metropolis.)

Merchandise Traffic (Minimum Rates.)

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Railway and Canal Traffic Bill.

No. 357.

East India (Finance Committee of 1886, Report.)

Small Holdings [Inquiry not completed.]

No. 358.

directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Local
Bankruptcy
(Ireland)
[Salaries, &c.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Salaries and Remuneration of any Officers of Local Bankruptcy Courts, that may be appointed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the establishment of Local Courts of Bankruptcy in *Ireland*, and of compensation to any existing official assignee of the Court of Bankruptcy, whose Emoluments may be reduced by the operation of the said Act;

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Registration
Act (1885)
Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Registration Act, 1885": And that Mr. *Causton*, Mr. *Asquith*, Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, and Mr. *James Stuart* do prepare, and bring it in.

Court of
Criminal
Appeal.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to constitute a Court of Appeal in Criminal Cases: And that Mr. *Anderson*, Sir *John Simon*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Rowntree*, and Mr. *Bradlaugh* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cruelty to
Children
(Prevention.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Prevention of Cruelty to Children: And that Mr. *Mundella*, Mr. *John Morley*, Sir *Stafford Northcote*, Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *Samuel Smith*, Sir *Robert Fowler*, Mr. *Robert Reid*, and Mr. *Channing* do prepare, and bring it in.

Registration
Act (1885)
Amendment
Bill.

Bill 376.

Mr. *Causton* presented a Bill to amend "The Registration Act, 1885": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of November next; and to be printed.

Court of
Criminal
Appeal Bill.

Bill 377.

Mr. *Anderson* presented a Bill to constitute a Court of Appeal in Criminal Cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of November next; and to be printed.

Cruelty to
Children (Pre-
vention) Bill.

Bill 378.

Mr. *Mundella* presented a Bill for the better Prevention of Cruelty to Children: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of November next; and to be printed.

Local Govern-
ment (England
and Wales)
Bill.

The House according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill.

The Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 6, l. 24, being read a second time were, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

P. 6, l. 24, after "1878" insert "inclusive of every bridge carrying such road if repairable by the Highway Authority," the next Amendment, being read a second time (and it appearing that the said Amendment was for the purpose of carrying out the intentions of the Commons), was agreed to,

Then the Amendments, as far as the Amend-

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ment in p. 25, l. 38 being read a second time, were agreed to, and a consequential Amendment was made to the Bill.

P. 25, l. 38, after "concerned" insert "and such Committee shall for that purpose have all the powers and jurisdiction of quarter sessions and of a committee of justices appointed under the County Rate Act, 1852, and the Acts amending the same," the next Amendment, being read a second time (and it appearing that the said Amendment was for the purpose of carrying out the intentions of the Commons), was agreed to. (Special Entry.)

Then the Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 31, l. 32, being read a second time, were agreed to.

P. 31, l. 32, after "1882" insert as a separate paragraph:—

"(3.) The borough shall be an urban sanitary district within the meaning of the Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878," the next Amendment, being read a second time (and it appearing that the said Amendment was for the purpose of carrying out the intentions of the Commons), was agreed to. (Special Entry.)

Then the Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 38, l. 41, being read a second time, were agreed to.

P. 38, l. 41, leave out "the Court of Aldermen and," the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 119.
Yeas,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Pickersgill</i> ,	} 86.
Noes,	Mr. <i>James Stuart</i> :	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 40, l. 30, being read a second time, were agreed to.

P. 40, l. 30, after "1865" insert "and except for rating purposes the eastern and western divisions of *Suffolk*," the next Amendment, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said Amendment, by leaving out the words "except for rating purposes."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment, as amended;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 122.
Yeas,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	
Tellers for the	Colonel <i>Anstruther</i> ,	} 54.
Noes,	Sir <i>Saville Crossley</i> :	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 42, l. 31, being read a second time, were, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

P. 42, l. 31, leave out Sub-section (2), the next Amendment, being read a second time (and it appearing that the said Amendment was for the purpose of making the provisions of the Bill consistent), was agreed to. (Special Entry.)

Then the Amendments, as far as the Amendment "Leave out Clause 48," being read a second time, were agreed to.

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(Special Entry.)

P. 42, leave out Clause 48, the next Amendment, being read a second time (and it appearing that the said Amendment was for the purpose of making the provisions of the Bill consistent), was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments, and hath made a Consequential Amendment to the Bill; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Sweating System.

The Lords communicate, Copy of Report, &c., from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament on the Sweating System, as desired by this House.

Poor Law Relief.

The Lords communicate, Copy of Report, &c., from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament on Poor Law Relief, as desired by this House.

Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill.

The Lords communicate, Copy of Report, &c., from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill, as desired by this House.

Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Timber Acts (Ireland) Amendment Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 32, by leaving out the words "peppercorn or other nominal."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 7, by inserting after the word "assuror" the words "or be a reproduction in substance of a devise made in a previous will in force at the time of such reproduction, and which was executed not less than twelve months before the death of the assuror."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 41, by inserting, after the word "universities," the words "or the University Colleges of North Wales at Bangor, of Wales at Aberystwith, and of South Wales and Monmouthshire at Cardiff."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 4, by inserting, after the word "society," the word "denomination."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 21, by adding after the words "extent and manner," the words "and nothing in this Act contained, shall prejudice or affect any of the provisions of the School Sites Acts, as defined in the Fourth Schedule to 'The Elementary Education Act, 1870.'"

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 23, by inserting, after the word "appointment," the words "Provided that the Lord Chancellor may in any case, by special order, dispense with the requirements of this section as to standing and residence, or either of them."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 29, ls. 16 and 17, by leaving out the words "and by leave of the judge."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 37, l. 14, by inserting, after the word "Court," the words "unless the judge shall certify that the action was a fit one to be brought in such other Court."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 38, l. 28, by inserting, after the word "matter," the words "Provided always, That every appeal in every case subject to the equitable jurisdiction of any County Court shall be to the Chancery Division of the High Court, and be heard by a Judge of such Division."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of Clause 45.

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The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 45 (Salaries of Registrars).

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had amended Clause 45.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Imperial
Defence Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Imperial Defence Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

National
Defence Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the National Defence Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Patents,
Designs, and
Trade Marks
Bill [Lords.]

The Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 15th day of November next.

Solicitors Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 15th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans
Nomination
Bill [Lords.]

The Suffragans Nomination Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 8th day of November next.

Weights and
Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of November next.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

The Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill was read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee of Five Members, Three to be nominated by the House, and Two by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill presented two clear days before the meeting of the Committee be referred to the Committee; that the Petitioners, praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard

against the Bill, and Counsel heard in support of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 7, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 8, postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 9, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10, postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 11, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 12 and N° 13, postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 14 and N° 15, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 16, postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 17 and N° 18, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Lloyd's (Signal Stations) (re-committed) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Short Title).

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Lloyd's to have power to establish signal stations with telegraphic communications).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

Question put;

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Division (no
Second
Teller.)

The Committee proceeded to a division. Dr. Tanner was appointed one of the Tellers for the Ayes, but no Member appearing as a second Teller for the Ayes, the Chairman declared the Noes had it.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 3 to N° 17, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without further Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Divisional
Magistrates
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday the 15th day of November next.

East India
Revenue
Accounts.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on the East India Revenue Accounts, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it appears, by the Accounts laid before this House, that the Total Revenue of India for the year ending the 31st day of March 1887, was *Rx.* 77,337,134; that the Total Expenditure in India and in England charged to Revenue was *Rx.* 77,158,707; that there was a surplus of Revenue over Expenditure of *Rx.* 178,427; and that the Capital Outlay on Railways and Irrigation Works was *Rx.* 5,670,484, besides a Capital Charge of £. 4,914,546 involved in the Redemption of Liabilities.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

And then the House adjourned till Tomorrow.

Saturday, 11th August, 1888.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Nine-
teenth Report.

Unions (Ire-
land (Liabilities
and Assets.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Unions (Ireland) (Liabilities and Assets), which was presented upon the 18th day of July last, be printed.

Local
Government
Boundaries
Commission.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Local Government Boundaries Commission, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant August, be printed.

Sweating
System.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Sweating System, which was communicated from the Lords upon the 10th day of this instant August, be printed.

Pharmacy Act
(Ireland), 1875
Amendment
Bill.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill, which was communicated from the Lords upon the 10th day of this instant August, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Poor Law Relief, which was communicated from the Lords upon the 10th day of this instant August, be printed.

Sir John Gorst presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to East India (Finance Committee of 1886, Report).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of May last, for Returns relative to Bankruptcy Crimes and Frauds (Scotland).

Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of May last, for Returns relative to Universities (Scotland) (Students).

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of July last, for a Return relative to Poor Rates, &c. (Scotland).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of the Royal Commission on Market Rights and Tolls.

Copy of Report of the Directors of Convict Prisons for the year 1887–88 (Parts I. and II., with Appendix).

Copy of Eleventh Report of the Commissioners of Prisons (England and Wales), with Appendix, for the year ended 31st March 1888 (Parts I. and II.).

Copy of Judicial Statistics for England and Wales, for the year 1887 (Parts I. and II.).

Copy of Return of Proceedings under the Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887, the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885 and 1886, and "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885, during the month of July 1888.

Copy of Return according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Sub-Commissions and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the Irish Land Commission during the Months of May and June 1888, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent where ascertained; also, Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the Irish Land Commission on the Joint Application of Landlords and Tenants.

Copy of Annual Report of the Commissioners for the year 1887–88, together with Abstract of the Minute of the Commission, Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.

Copy of the Tenth Report of the General Prisons Board (Ireland), 1887–88, with Appendix.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 7th day of June last, for Returns relative to Water Supply.

Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of February last, for Returns relative to the Court of Bankruptcy (Ireland).

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of June last, for a Return relative to Equity Civil Bills (Ireland).

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of June last, for Returns, relative to Glebe Tenants in Ireland.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the Town Council of Devonport

Devonport altering the Polling Districts of the Borough.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Water Supply be printed.

Protection of Industrial Property (Miscellaneous, No. 3, 1888.) Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relative to the Protection of Industrial Property.
Central Asia (No. 2, 1888.) Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of *Central Asia*.
Russia (No. 1, 1888.) Copy of a Despatch from Sir R. Morier respecting Explorations on the Northern Coast of *Siberia*.
Switzerland (No. 2, 1888.) Copy of Papers relating to the Accession of the *Dutch East Indies* to the International Union for the Protection of Industrial Property.
Resistance to the Police (Foreign Countries) (Miscellaneous, No. 2, 1888.) Sir James Fergusson also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of February last, for a Return relative to Resistance to the Police (Foreign Countries) (Miscellaneous, No. 2, 1888).
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 8th day of November next.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licensed Houses.) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Number of Houses now licensed for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in *England and Wales*:—

County and Name of Licensing District.	Population of each Licensing District.	Total Number of Houses licensed for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to be consumed on the Premises.					Total Number of Houses Licensed for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to be consumed off the Premises.	Proportion of Licensed Houses to Population.
		Number of Houses the Licences attached to which are marked as Six-day Licences under sec. 49 of 35 & 36 Vic. c. 94.	Number of Houses the Licences attached to which are marked as Early Closing Licences under sec. 7 of 37 & 38 Vic. c. 49.	Number of Houses the Licences attached to which are marked both as Six-day Licences and Early Closing Licences (sec. 8 of 37 & 38 Vic. c. 49).	Other Licences for Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to be Consumed on the Premises.			

Standing Orders. No. 368. *Ordered*, That the Standing Orders of this House, as amended, be printed.

Sittings of the House (Saturday.) *Ordered*, That the Sitting of the House, this day, be held subject to the Standing Orders that regulate the Sitting of the House on Wednesday.

Adjournment of the House. *Resolved*, That this House will, at the rising of the House on Monday next, adjourn till Tuesday the 6th day of November next.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill [Lords.] The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill, and have made a consequential Amendment to the Bill; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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Ordered, That the Consequential Amendment made by the Lords to the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Bill be now taken into consideration. [Lords.]

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for establishing a Board of Agriculture for Great Britain: And that Mr. William Henry Smith, Mr. Secretary Matthews, and Viscount Lewisham do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. William Henry Smith accordingly presented a Bill for establishing a Board of Agriculture for Great Britain: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 22nd day of November next; and to be printed. Bill 379.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) [Salaries, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the salaries and remuneration of any officers of Local Bankruptcy Courts, that may be appointed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the establishment of Local Courts of Bankruptcy in *Ireland*, and of compensation to any existing official assignee of the Court of Bankruptcy, whose emoluments may be reduced by the operation of the said Act.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Solicitor-General reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 13th August, 1888.

THE House met at a quarter before Two of the o'clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Imperial Defence Bill, without Amendment. Imperial Defence Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the National Defence Bill, without Amendment. National Defence Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill, without Amendment. Municipal Corporations (Local Bills) (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill, without Amendment. Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Works Loans Bill, without Amendment. Public Works Loans Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, without Amendment. Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Hawkers Bill, without Amendment. Hawkers Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Bail (Scotland) Bill, without Amendment. Bail (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, without Amendment. Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill.

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The Bill.

Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to Lloyd's (Signal Stations) Bill, without Amendment.

County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the County Courts Consolidation and Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (England and Wales) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill, and to the Consequential Amendment made by this House to the said Bill, without any Amendment.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Nineteenth Report.

Court of Bankruptcy (Ireland.) No. 374.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Court of Bankruptcy (Ireland), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant August, be printed.

Equity Civil Bills (Ireland.) No. 369.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Equity Civil Bills (Ireland), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant August, be printed.

Glebe Tenants in Ireland. No. 370.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Glebe Tenants in Ireland, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant August, be printed.

Mortality (General and Infant.) No. 371.

Mr. Ritchie presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July last, for Returns relative to Mortality (General and Infant).

Deaths (England and Wales.) No. 372.

Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July last, for Returns relative to Deaths (England and Wales).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade Marks (Commercial, No. 12, 1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Extracts from Treaties and Declaration in force between Great Britain and Foreign Powers relating to Trade Marks, Designs, and Industrial Property.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 403 and 404.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 102.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mandeville Inquest. No. 373.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Transcript of the Shorthand Writers' Notes of Proceedings.

Mr. Arthur Balfour accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Sir James Drummond, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission, under the Great Seal, was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby autho-

aised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Imperial Defence Act, 1888.
2. National Defence Act, 1888.
3. Marriages Validation Act, 1888.
4. Fishery (Ireland) Act, 1888.
5. Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Act, 1888.
6. Bail (Scotland) Act, 1888.
7. Special Commission Act, 1888.
8. Public Works Loans Act, 1888.
9. Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1888.
10. Local Government Act, 1888.
11. Timber (Ireland) Act, 1888.
12. Hawkers Act, 1888.
13. Municipal Local Bills (Ireland) Act, 1888.
14. Mortmain and Charitable Uses Act, 1888.
15. County Courts Act, 1888.
16. Lloyd's Signal Stations Act, 1888.
17. Kirkliston, Dalmeny, and South Queensferry Water Supply Confirmation Act, 1888.
18. Rotherham and Buxtry Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1888.
19. Great Western Railway Act, 1888.
20. Great Western and Great Northern Junction Railway Act, 1888.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Committee on the Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, after the Order of the Day for the Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) [Salaries, &c.] Report, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 6th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 6th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee on Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) [Salaries, &c.], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the salaries and remuneration of any officers of Local Bankruptcy Courts, that may be appointed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the establishment of Local Courts of Bankruptcy in Ireland, and of compensation to any existing official assignee of the Court of Bankruptcy, whose emoluments may be reduced by the operation of the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Postponed CLAUSES, N° 8 to N° 16, amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Jackson reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time :—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

And then the House, having continued to sit until Three of the clock in the afternoon, adjourned till Tuesday the 6th day of November next.

Tuesday, 6th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) (Imprisonment of Members.)

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received the following Letters relating respectively to the Imprisonment of Mr. John Edward Redmond, Mr. William H. K. Redmond, and Mr. James O'Kelly :—

(Mr. John Edward Redmond.)

Sir,
Court House, Wexford, Ireland,
26 September 1888.
We beg leave to inform you that we have to-day convicted Mr. John Edward Redmond, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of having on the 22nd day of July 1888, at Scarawalsh, in the County of Wexford aforesaid, being a proclaimed district under the provisions of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," did wrongfully and without legal authority use intimidation towards one Thomas J. Walker, in consequence of his having done an act which he had a legal right to do, namely, evict one James Clinch from the possession and tenancy of a certain farm situate at Scarawalsh, in the County of Wexford, and have sentenced him to five weeks' imprisonment without hard labour, and that he is at present in the prison at Wexford.

We have the honour to be,
Your obedient Servants,
J. S. Macleod, R.M.
D. G. Bodkin, R.M.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

(Mr. William H. K. Redmond.)

Sir,
Court House, Wexford, Ireland,
14 September 1888.
We beg leave to inform you that we have to-day convicted Mr. William H. K. Redmond, Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of: that he, the said defendant, on the 16th day of August 1888, at Coolroe, in the County of Wexford, being a proclaimed district under the provisions of "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," did unlawfully incite certain persons, to wit, Thomas Somers, James Somers, Bartholomew Rochford, Patrick Fitzgerald, John Hall, Patrick Finn, Jeremiah Rossiter, William Sheill, Michael Morris, Michael Caul, Thomas Power, and Martin Tubbert, wilfully and unlawfully to resist and obstruct one John Donovan, he being at the time the bailiff of the Sheriff for the County of Wexford, while in the execution of his duty as such bailiff, and have sentenced him to three months' imprisonment without hard labour, and that he is at present in the prison at Wexford.

We have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your humble servants,
J. S. Macleod, R.M.
D. G. Bodkin, R.M.

To the Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.
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Monson's Hotel, Boyle, Co. Roscommon,
29 October 1888.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that, on (Mr. James O'Kelly.) Saturday, the 27th instant, on the hearing of an appeal, at Boyle, in the County of Roscommon, from a Court of Summary Jurisdiction constituted under the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, James O'Kelly, Esquire, a Member of the Honourable House of Commons, was sentenced by me to two calendar months' imprisonment, to be treated as a misdemeanant of the first class.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your faithful servant,
Wm. O'Connor Muir,
County Court Judge and
Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the
Counties of Roscommon and Sligo.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That, in pursuance of the directions of the Acts passed in the 24th year of His Majesty King George the Third, c. 26, and in the 21st and 22nd years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, c. 110, and in the 26th year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, c. 20, he had issued Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown to make out new Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament,

For the Borough of Merthyr Tydvil, in the room of Henry Richard, Esquire, deceased;
For the Edinburgh and St. Andrew's Universities, in the room of Right Honourable John Hay Athole Macdonald, Lord Justice Clerk in Scotland.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Nine-
teenth Report.

Sir William Hart Dyke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Examination of the Science and Technical Teaching in certain Higher Class Schools in Scotland by Professor Alexander Kennedy, F.R.S.

Copy of Calendar and General Directory of the Department of Science and Art for the year 1889 (with Tables), being a Supplement to the 36th Annual Report of that Department.

Sir William Hart Dyke also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 10th August 1888, extending the provisions of the Order in Council of 28th November 1887, as to International Copyright, to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Copies of Three Statutes made by the Governing Body of Oriel College, Oxford, on 20th April 1888, amending the existing Statutes of the College; and of Statute A., made on 15th May 1888 by the University of Oxford, to amend the provisions of the Statute concerning the Elections to Professorships.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Saint John's College, Cambridge, on 6th November 1886, altering and amending the Statutes of the College by adding thereto a Statute (LIV.) giving the Power of suspending Vacant Fellowships.

Copies of Nine Orders in Council, dated 10th August 1888, under the Winter Assizes Acts, 1876 and 1877.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford), and Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge), be printed.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minutes relating to Terminable Annuities.

Meteorology.	Copy of Report of the Meteorological Council of the Royal Society for the year ended 31st March 1888.	tioned, and revoking certain Proclamations under the said Act, dated 17th September 1888.
Foreshores (Wales and Monmouth.)	Mr. Jackson also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of June last, for Returns relative to Foreshores (<i>Wales and Monmouth</i>).	Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th September 1888, affirming additional Regulations made by the Pharmaceutical Society of <i>Ireland</i> .
Attorney and Solicitor General (Emoluments.)	Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of July last, for Returns relative to the Attorney and Solicitor General (Emoluments).	Copy of Order of the Town Council of <i>Gateshead</i> , dividing the Borough into Polling Districts.
Land Commission (England.)	Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Fees to be taken by the Land Commission in respect of Proceedings under "The Extraordinary Tithe Redemption Act, 1886," approved by the Treasury under the Act 31 and 32 Vic. c. 89.	Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Superannuation Act, 1884.	Copies of Treasury Minutes declaring the undermentioned Persons were appointed to their respective Departments without the Grant of Civil Service Certificates, through inadvertence on the part of the Heads of their Departments, viz.:— <i>Caloust Chumarian</i> , Office Dragoman, <i>Smyrna</i> Consulate, dated 5th September 1888; <i>William Frederick Bishoprick</i> , Rural Postman, dated 22nd September 1888; <i>Robert Burn</i> , Postman at <i>Hartlepool</i> , dated 1st October 1888; and <i>Rd. Lea</i> , Postmaster at <i>Runcorn</i> , dated 6th October 1888.	Mr. Plunket presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of (1) Cancellation of Rules for <i>Greenwich</i> Park, dated 10th September 1888, and (2) Rules for <i>Greenwich</i> Park, dated 10th September 1888.
Superannuation Act, 1887.	Copies of Treasury Minutes awarding Retired Allowances to the undermentioned Persons under Section 2 of "The Superannuation Act, 1887," viz.:— Captain <i>Hatchell</i> , late Resident Magistrate in <i>Ireland</i> , dated 21st January 1888; Mr. <i>Charles John Liddell</i> , Assistant in the <i>British Museum</i> , dated 15th August 1888; and <i>David Ogilvie</i> , Second Class Outdoor Officer of Customs, <i>Glasgow</i> , dated 30th August 1888.	Copies of (1) Cancellation of Rules for <i>Holyrood</i> Park, dated 20th September 1888, and (2) Rules for <i>Holyrood</i> Park, dated 20th September 1888.
	Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.	Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Agrarian Outrages (Ireland) (July to September 1888.)	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the Number of Agrarian Outrages committed in <i>Ireland</i> which were reported to the Inspector General of the Royal <i>Irish</i> Constabulary during the Quarter ended 30th September 1888.	Sir <i>John Gorst</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the <i>Black Mountain</i> Tribes of <i>India</i> .
Irish Land Commission (Rules.)	Copy of Rules issued by the <i>Irish</i> Land Commission, in accordance with the provisions of "The Land Law (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1881."	Sir <i>John Gorst</i> also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of all Loans raised in <i>England</i> under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of <i>India</i> , outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 30th September 1888, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the Termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.
Irish Land Commission (Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881.")	Copy of Return according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Sub-Commissions and Civil Bills Courts, as notified to the <i>Irish</i> Land Commission during the Months of July and August 1888, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent where ascertained; also, Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the <i>Irish</i> Land Commission on the Joint Application of Landlords and Tenants.	Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Metropolitan Board of Works (Royal Commission.)	Copy of Interim Report of the Royal Commissioners appointed to inquire into certain matters connected with the working of the Metropolitan Board of Works.	The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of August last, for Returns relative to Agrarian Offences (<i>Scotland</i>).
Municipal Corporations (New Charters.)	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Charters of Incorporation granted by Her Majesty under the Municipal Corporations (New Charters) Act, 1882, to the Boroughs of <i>Loughborough</i> , <i>Chelmsford</i> , and <i>Workington</i> .	The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstracts of Local Taxation Returns of Receipts and Expenditure for <i>Scotland</i> , for the year 1886 7.
Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Proclamations.)	Copies of Ten Proclamations applying "The Criminal Law and Procedure (<i>Ireland</i>) Act, 1887," to certain places in <i>Ireland</i> therein mentioned, and revoking certain Proclamations under the said Act, dated 17th September 1888.	Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
		Sir <i>James Fergusson</i> presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Import and Export Duties levied in the <i>Niger</i> Territories.
		Copy of Correspondence respecting suppression of Slave Trade in <i>East African</i> Waters.
		Copy of Agreement between the Governments of <i>Great Britain</i> and <i>Brazil</i> relative to Merchant Seamen Deserters. Signed at <i>Rio de Janeiro</i> , 30th July 1888.
		Copy of Agreement between the Governments of <i>Great Britain</i> and <i>Greece</i> for regulating the position of Joint Stock Companies. Signed at <i>Athens</i> , 4th August 1888.
		Copy of Correspondence respecting the demand of the United States Government for the recall of Lord <i>Sackville</i> from <i>Washington</i> .
		Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
		Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their Proceedings under Part III. of "The Sea Fisheries Act, 1868."
		Copy

Merchant
Shipping
(Fishing Boats)
Act, 1887.

Copy of Regulations made by the Board of Trade, under "The Merchant Shipping (Fishing Boats) Act, 1887," on the application of the *Grimsby and North Sea Steam Trawling Company, Limited*, with respect to the conveyance of Fish from Trawlers to Vessels engaged in collecting and carrying Fish to Ports.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Supreme
Court.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House.—I. Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court, dated August 1888.

Mersey Docks
and Harbour
Board.

II. The Accounts of the *Mersey Docks and Harbour Board*, for the year ending 1st July 1888.

Law of Dis-
tress Amend-
ment Act,
1888 (Rules.)
Sheriffs Act,
1887 (Fees.)

III. Copy of Rules made pursuant to Section 8 of "The Law of Distress Amendment Act, 1888."

IV. Copy of Order as to Fees under "The Sheriffs Act, 1887."

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.3,210, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Land Commissioners for *England*, and for defraying the Repayable Expenses to be incurred in matters of Inclosure and Land Improvement, and under "The Extraordinary Tithe Redemption Act, 1886":

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A., Salaries and Wages, be reduced by the Sum of £.3,000, the Salary of Two of the Commissioners;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>oMlloy</i> ,	} 69.
Yeas,	Mr. <i>Conybeare</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 154.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item A., Salaries and Wages, be reduced by the Sum of £.800, the Salary of the Resident Legal Assistant Commissioner—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.173,968, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board, including various Grants in Aid of Local Taxation:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item F., £.416, for Inspection of Metropolitan Vagrant Wards, be omitted from the proposed Vote:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item S., £.1,864, for the National Vaccine Establishment, be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Bradlaugh</i> ,	} 45.
Yeas,	Mr. <i>Picton</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 154.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.5,717, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to

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defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy in *England*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.717, be granted to Her Majesty to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy in *England*:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. £.18,941, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of the Coinage.

5. £.5,071, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

6. £.23,305, to complete the Sum connected with the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Act.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.9,690, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Paymaster General in *London* and *Dublin*;

And it being Twelve of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair, to report Progress.

Wednesday, 7th November, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Weights and Measures Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Committee of Ways and Means*;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 14th day of this instant November, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) (re-committed) Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the *Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Debts (*Scotland*) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 15th day of this instant November, resolve itself into the said Committee.

School Board for London Election Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Election Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Buildings (Metropolis) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buildings (*Metropolis*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 15th day of this instant November.

Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (*Carriage of Fish*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Turbary (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Turbary (*Ireland*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (*Ireland*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

School Board for London (Pensions) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* (Pensions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stipendiary Magistrates (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Glebe Lands Occupation Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Colliery Tenants' Relief Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitim Law Amendment (*Scotland*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of this instant November.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (*Clonmacnoise*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of this instant November.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 7th November, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Nineteenth Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Local Taxation Returns (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed. No. 376.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Sea Fisheries Act, 1868, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed. No. 377.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Loans Raised in *England*), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed. No. 378.

Sir J. Gorst presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of July last, for a Return relative to *Indian Stamps* and Stamped Paper.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr.

National Debt
(Conversion)
Act, 1888.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Final Result of the Operations under the National Debt (Conversion) Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial
Possessions.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Reports relating to Her Majesty's Colonial Possessions, Nos. 24 (*Straits Settlements, Penang and Malacca*), 25 (*Saint Vincent*), 26 (*Sierra Leone, Medical Department*), 27 (*Leeward Islands*), 28 (*British Guiana*), 29 (*Western Australia*), 30 (*Falkland Islands*), and 31 (*Basutoland*).

Intoxicating
Liquors
(Colonies.)

Copy of Further Papers regarding the Laws or Ordinances for regulating the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Colonies and in Native Territories under British protection (in continuation of [C. 3224] of 1882 and [C. 3477] of 1883).

British New
Guinea.

Copy of Instruments and Instructions for erecting certain British Territory in New Guinea and the adjacent Islands into a separate Possession and Government by the name of *British New Guinea*, and for providing for the Government thereof, and Order of the Queen in Council to provide an Appellate Jurisdiction in respect of matters occurring in the said Possessions.

Cyprus (Locust
Campaign.)

Copy of Report on the Locust Campaign of 1887-8 by Mr. S. Brown, M.I.C.E., Government Engineer, Cyprus (in continuation of [C. 5250] February 1888).

Straits Settlements
(Protected Malay
States.)

Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Protected Malay States (in continuation of [C. 4958] February 1887).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Metropolitan
Board of Works
(Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken on the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the working of the Metropolitan Board of Works, 1888.

Explosions
(Kynoch's
Factory.)

Copy of Report on the Circumstances attending an Explosion of Percussion Caps (Primers), at Messrs. Kynoch's Factory, at Witton, Birmingham, on 3rd July 1888, by Major J. P. Cundill, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives.

Explosions
(Cadwell's
Factory.)

Copy of Report on the Circumstances attending an Explosion of Amorges or Toy Caps in the Factory of Mr. H. J. Cadwell, at Southfields, Wandsworth, on 3rd August 1888, by Major J. P. Cundill, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives.

Explosions
(Kynoch's
Factory.)

Copy of Report on the Circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred during the emptying of some 3-pounder Shells for Quick Firing Ammunition at Messrs. Kynoch's Factory, at Witton, near Birmingham, on 10th August 1888, by Colonel V. D. Majendie, C.B., Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Explosives.

Arrests for
Drunkenness
(Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of August last, for Returns relative to Arrests for Drunkenness (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £.9,690, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Paymaster General in London and Dublin.

2. £.3,033, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishments under the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

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3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.7,634, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.7,384, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.18,567, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c. in England;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item C., Fees and Expenses of Superintendent Registrars, &c., be reduced by £.5,000;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Dr. Clark.	} 44.
Yeas,	Dr. Cameron :	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 123.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond :	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.185,977, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Stationery, Printing, and Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the several Departments of Government in England, Scotland, and Ireland, and some Dependencies, and for the two Houses of Parliament, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment of the Stationery Office, and the Cost of Stationery Office Publications, and of the Gazette Offices; and for Sundry Miscellaneous Services, including a Grant in Aid of the Publication of Parliamentary Debates:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.185,477, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Stationery, Printing, and Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the several Departments of Government in England, Scotland, and Ireland, and some Dependencies, and for the two Houses of Parliament, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment of the Stationery Office, and the Cost of Stationery Office Publications, and of the Gazette Offices; and for Sundry Miscellaneous Services, including a Grant in Aid of the Publication of Parliamentary Debates;

And it being half-an-hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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Resolved,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply (8th November.)

Mr. Courtney reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Land Commissioners (England.)

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,210, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Land Commissioners for *England*, and for defraying the Repayable Expenses to be incurred in matters of Inclosure and Land Improvement, and under "The Extraordinary Tithe Redemption Act, 1886."

Local Government Board.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 173,968, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board, including various Grants in Aid of Local Taxation.

Lunacy, England.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,717, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy in *England*.

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4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 18,941, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of the Coinage.

National Debt Office.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,071, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

Patents, Designs and Trade Marks Act.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,305, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, connected with the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Act.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Registration of Assurances (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Assurances (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Weights and Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Slander Law Second Reading of the Slander Law Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the British and Irish Industry Second Reading of the *British and Irish Industry* Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Workmen the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Woolwich.) upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, *Woolwich*, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861, and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870 or later that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 5th day of December next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 8th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Nineteenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Attorney and Solicitor General (Emoluments), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed.

Attorney and Solicitor General (Emoluments.)
No. 379.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Land Commission (*England*), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed.

Land Commission (England.)
No. 380.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Arrests for Drunkenness (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant November, be printed.

Arrests for Drunkenness (Ireland.)
No. 381.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 9th day of August last, for a Return relative to Steel Manufacturers, *Sheffield*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the Number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings

ings which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary, and the Number of Tenancies Determined, in the Quarter ended the 30th September 1888, showing:—

(Table I.)—Actual Evictions under the Provisions of the Land Law Act, 1887, and under other Processes of Law;

(Table II.)—The Number of Tenancies Determined under Section 7 of the Land Law Act, 1887, and under other Processes of Law;

(Table III.)—The Number of Evictions not at suit of the Landlord, for Debt, Foreclosure of Mortgage, &c.

Episcopal and
Capitular
Estates.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 31st day of July last, for a Return relative to Episcopal and Capitular Estates.

Extra
Constabulary
(Ireland.)

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of July last, for a Return relative to Extra Constabulary (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 402, and from 405 to 432.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series)

Copies of Reports on subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 101, and from 103 to 108.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India
(Plate Duties.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence with the India Office on the Plate Duties.

Leave of
Absence.

Ordered, That Colonel *Duncan* have leave of absence for one week, on account of ill-health.

Leave of
Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Vernon* have leave of absence for one month on account of ill-health.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill.

The Order made upon the 10th day of August last, That the Committee on the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill* do consist of Five Members, Three to be nominated by the House and Two by the Committee of Selection, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill.

Mr. *A. E. Gathorne-Hardy*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, Mr. *Woodall*, and Mr. *Brodrick* were nominated Members of the Select Committee on *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 185,977, to complete the Sum for Stationery, Printing, and Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the several Departments of Government in *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*, and some Dependencies, and for the two Houses of Parliament, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment of the Stationery Office, and the Cost of Stationery Office Publications, and of the Gazette Offices; and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including a Grant in Aid of the publication of Parliamentary Debates.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,314, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to

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defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and of the Office of Land Revenue Records and Inrolments:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A., Salaries, Wages, and Allowances, be reduced by £. 500:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A., Salaries, Wages, and Allowances, be reduced by £. 1,000:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Mackintosh*, } 69.
Yeas, { Dr. *Clark*:

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 114.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*:

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,967, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Dr. *Tanner*, } 44.
Yeas, { Mr. *Labouchere*:

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 163.
Noes, { Colonel *Walrond*:

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in Aid of the Mercantile Marine Fund:

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Friday, 9th November 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as [7th November.]

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,690, be granted to Her Majesty to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Paymaster General in *London* and *Dublin*. Paymaster General in London and Dublin.

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2. That

Public Works
Loan Com-
missioners.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.3,033, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishments under the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

Public Record
Office.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.7,634, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office.

Registrar
General of
Births, &c.,
England.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.18,567, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c. in England.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Excise Duties
(Local
Purposes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Tithe Rent-
Charge
Recovery and
Variation Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Recovery and Variation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Tithe Rent-
Charge Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tithe Rent-Charge Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

High Courts
in India Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Courts in India Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

East India
Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Suffragans
Nomination
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans Nomination Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Presumption
of Life (Scot-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Universities
(Scotland) Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Weights and
Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Committee on the Public Health Acts Amend-ment (Buildings in Streets) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 9th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Fore-shores (Wales and Monmouth), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed.

Vide Nine-
teenth Report.
Fore-shores
(Wales and
Monmouth.)
No. 382.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Agrarian Offences (Scotland), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed.

Agrarian
Offences
(Scotland.)
No. 383.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Steel Manufacturers (Sheffield), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant November, be printed.

Steel Manu-
facturers
(Sheffield.)
No. 384.

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations of the Post Office Savings Banks, 1888.

Copy of Annuity and Insurance Regulations, 1888.

Post Office
Savings Banks
(Annuity and
Insurance
Regulations.)
Copy Regulations.)

Post Office
Savings Banks
(Savings Banks
(Investment)
Regulations.)

Superannua-
tion Act, 1884.

Copy of Regulations as to Investments in Government Stock, 1888.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 5th November 1888, declaring that *Edward Squire* was appointed Postmaster at *Saint Neots* without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Act
(Advances and
Applications.)

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 4th day of May last, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the disposition of the Sum of £. 5,000,000 sterling granted under "The Land Purchase Act, 1885," up to the 31st day of March 1888, specifying in such Return,—

1. The Total Number of Applications, with the Gross Amount of the whole;
2. Gross Amounts of those accepted and of those rejected;
3. Amount of Advances actually issued;
4. And of Advances sanctioned and in course of issue;
5. And of Applications now under consideration by the Purchase Commissioners but not yet sanctioned;
6. What part of the £. 5,000,000 will remain at the disposal of the Purchase Commissioners if the Applications in No. 5 should be sanctioned;
7. The Gross Amount of Instalments which became repayable up to the 1st day of November last, and the Amount, if any, of such Instalments remaining unpaid;
8. The Number of Estates which, on the 1st day of November, were under Administration, with the Amount of their Gross Rental;
9. The Number of Receivers acting under the Court in the receipt of the Rents of those Estates, with the Total Sum brought in by such Receivers for the Rents of the Year ending the 1st day of November 1887;
10. The Number of Effective Sales made during the Five Years ending on the 31st day of December 1887, with the Gross Amount realised by such Sales;
11. Return of the Number of Officers employed in that Branch of the Court of Chancery, with the Total Amount of their Salaries for the year 1887;

might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That so much of the said Order as relates to a Return to be made by the Landed Estates Court, Land Judges Branch of the Court of Chancery (*Ireland*), be discharged.

Landed
Estates Court,
Land Judges'
Branch of the
Court of
Chancery"
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, in lieu thereof, a Return, as follows:

8. The Number of Estates for Sale in the Land Judges Court which, on the 31st day of December 1886, were under the administration of Receivers, with the Amount of their Gross Rental;
9. The Number of Receivers acting under the Court in the receipt of the Rents of those Estates, with the Total Sums received by such Receivers during the year ending the 31st day of December 1887;
10. The Number of Sales made during the Five Years ending on the 31st day of December 1887, with the Gross Amount realised by such Sales;

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11. Return of the Number of Officers employed in that Branch of the Court of Chancery, with the Total Amount of their Salaries for the year 1887;
12. The Number of Estates for Sale in the Land Judges' Court which, on the 31st day of December 1881, were under the Administration of Receivers, with the Amount of their Gross Rental.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Dewsbury*, in the room of Sir *John Simon*, Knight, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough*, and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal certain parts of the Act of the Fifty-seventh *George the Third*, chapter Twenty-nine, (Local), intituled, "An Act for better paving, improving, and regulating the Streets of the Metropolis, and removing and preventing Nuisances and Obstructions thereon": And that Mr. *Atherley-Jones*, Mr. *Forrest Fulton*, Mr. *Bradlaugh*, Sir *John Colomb*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, and Mr. *Octavius V. Morgan* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. *Atherley-Jones* accordingly presented a Bill to repeal certain parts of the Act of the Fifty-seventh *George the Third*, chapter Twenty-nine (Local), intituled, "An Act for better paving, improving, and regulating the Streets of the Metropolis, and removing and preventing Nuisances and Obstructions thereon": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

£. 1,286,077, to complete the Sum for Public Education in *England and Wales*, including Expenses of the Education Office in *London*.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 10th November, 1888:

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 185,977, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Stationery, Printing, and Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the several Departments of Government in *England, Scotland, and Ireland*, and some Dependencies, and for the two Houses of Parliament, and for the Salaries and Expenses

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	of the Establishment of the Stationery Office, and the Cost of Stationery Office Publications, and of the Gazette Offices; and for Sundry Miscellaneous Services, including a Grant in Aid of the Publication of Parliamentary Debates.	Mr. Secretary <i>Matthews</i> presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return under Section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887, of the Number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in <i>Ireland</i> during the Quarter ended 30th September 1888.
Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues.	2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.8,314, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and of the Office of Land Revenue Records and Inrolments.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Works and Public Buildings.	3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.20,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.	Mr. <i>Jackson</i> presented,—Return to an Order, Civil Service dated the 26th day of July last, for a Return relative to Civil Service Retirements.
	The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.	Mr. <i>Jackson</i> also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account showing the Gross Amount received and expended on account of the Telegraph Service during the year ended 31st March 1888, prepared in pursuance of Section 4 of the 39th Vic. c. 5; and a Statement additional to the above Account prepared in pursuance of the same Section.
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Suffragans Nomination Bill [<i>Lords</i>].	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans Nomination Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.	Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Board of Trade on the Application of the <i>Great Grimsby</i> Ice Company, Limited, with respect to the Conveyance of Fish from Trawlers to Vessels engaged in collecting and carrying Fish to Ports.
Weights and Measures Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Places of Worship Sites Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.	The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Report made to the Lord Chancellor under the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1862, by the Visitors of Lunatics, of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the said Visitors, between the 1st day of January 1888 and 30th day of June 1888.
Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.	The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill, was read, and discharged.
School Board for London (Pensions) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.
Nail Makers and Small Chain Makers. No. 385.	<i>Ordered</i> , That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report as to the Condition of Nail Makers and Small Chain Makers in South Staffordshire and East Worcestershire by the Labour Correspondent of the Board of Trade. Sir <i>Michael Hicks Beach</i> accordingly presented the said Paper. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed. And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.	The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee.) 1. £.5,000, to complete the Sum, in Aid of the Mercantile Marine Fund. 2. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £.19,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Her Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services; The Committee divided. Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> , Colonel <i>Walrond</i> : } 214. Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. <i>Bradlaugh</i> , Mr. <i>Molloy</i> : } 94. 3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.29,776, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries of the Law Officers; the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, and of the Department of the Queen's Proctor for Divorce Interventions, and of the Department of the Director of Public Prosecutions;

Monday, 12th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions. SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Vide Nine-teenh Report.

Prosecutions; the Costs of Prosecutions, including those relating to the Coin, and to Bankruptcy, and of other Legal Proceedings conducted by those Departments; and various other Legal Expenses, including Parliamentary Agency:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A., Salaries of the Law Officers, be reduced by £. 4,000:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

(Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A., Salaries of the Law Officers, be reduced by £. 5:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

(Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item H., be reduced by £. 1,000, part of the Salary of the Director of Public Prosecutions;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Pickersgill,	} 90.
Yeas,	{ Mr. James Rowlands:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 180.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 42,917, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Criminal Prosecutions at Assizes and Quarter Sessions, and for Adjudications under "The Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879"; for Sheriffs' Expenses, Salaries to Clerks of Assize and other Officers, Compensation to Clerks of the Peace and others, and for Expenses incurred under Extradition Treaties:

Whereupon made, and Question put, That Item I., £. 14,800, Repayments to Sheriffs, be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Labouchere,	} 66.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Provand:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 176.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 153,315, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee proceeded to a Division, and the Chairman stated that he thought the Ayes had it, but his decision was challenged; and it appearing to the Chairman that the Division was frivolously claimed, he directed the Noes to stand up in their places, and Twelve Members having stood up, the Chairman declared the Ayes had it.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [9th November.] Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,286,077, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Public Education in *England and Wales*, including Expenses of the Education Office in *London*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Short Title).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Biggar,	} 47.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Conybeare:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 144.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

Tuesday, 13th November, 1888:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) (re-committed) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 3, amended, and agreed to. Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had amended Clause 3 of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—

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Division
frivolously
Claimed.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Charities Restitution Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Factors Acts Consolidation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Acts Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Voters Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Preferential Payments in Bankruptcy and in the winding-up of Companies: And that Mr. *Randell*, Mr. *Kenyon*, Mr. *Abraham* (*Rhondda*), and Mr. *Llewellyn* do prepare, and bring it in.

Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2.) Bill. Mr. *Randell* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Preferential Payments in Bankruptcy and in the winding-up of Companies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Bill 381.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 13th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Ninteenth Report

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant November, be printed. No. 386.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Civil Service Retirements, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant November, be printed. No. 387.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Post Office Telegraphs, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant November, be printed. No. 388.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of Return of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885 and 1886," and "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885," during the Months of August and September 1888.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented,—Return on an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of August last, for Returns relative to Drunkenness on Sunday (Convictions).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Comparative Statement of the Average Price of Wheat per Imperial Quarter in England, and of Bread per 4 lb. Loaf in the under-mentioned Unions in England, for each of the years 1867 to 1887:—

Years.	Average Price of Wheat per Imperial Quarter.	Average Price of Bread per 4 lb. Loaf in London Unions.			Average Price of Bread per 4 lb. Loaf in Country Unions.							
		St. George's-in-the-East.	Lambeth.	St. Pancras.	Croydon.	Wellingborough.	West Ham.	Newton Abbot.	Birmingham.	Sharnford.	Manchester.	Ripon.
1867.	s. d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.

Sir *Herbert Maxwell* reported from the Select Committee on Friendly Societies; That they had taken Evidence on the Matters to them referred; and directed him to report the same to the House, together with an Appendix; and a recommendation that the Committee be re-appointed in the next Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Victoria University Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 153,315, be granted to Her

Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A., Salaries, be reduced by the Sum of £. 500;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Jennings,	} 129.
Yeas,	Mr. Lawson:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 148.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item G., Circuit Allowances and Expenses, be reduced by £. 1,000:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £. 4,680, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Wreck Commissioner.

3. £. 198,030, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

4. £. 596, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Land Registry.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 370, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of Revising Barristers in England:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 160, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of Revising Barristers in England:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

6. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum not exceeding £. 6,243, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Police Courts of London and Sheerness:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,143, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Police Courts of London and Sheerness;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Pickersgill,	} 91.
Yeas,	Mr. Molloy:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 150.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.
Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 233,520, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for contribution towards the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Horse Patrol and Thames Police, and for the Salaries of the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioners, and Receiver:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A., Salaries, be reduced by the

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Sum of £. 1,500, the Salary of the Chief Commissioner;

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Wednesday, 14th November, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day. Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [12th Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, November.] as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in Aid of the Mercantile Marine Fund.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Her Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,776, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries of the Law Officers; the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, and of the Department of the Queen's Proctor for Divorce Interventions, and of the Department of the Director of Public Prosecutions; the Cost of Prosecutions, including those relating to the Coin, and to Bankruptcy, and of other Legal Proceedings conducted by those Departments; and various other Legal Expenses, including Parliamentary Agency.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 42,917, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Criminal Prosecutions at Assizes and Quarter Sessions, and for Adjudications under "The Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879;" for Sheriffs' Expenses, Salaries to Clerks of Assize and other Officers, Compensation to Clerks of the Peace and others; and for Expenses incurred under Extradition Treaties.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant November, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans Nomination Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Partnership Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Places of Worship Sites Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Sites Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Charities Restitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 22nd day of this instant November.

Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read second time upon Thursday next.

Parliamentary Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Greenwich Hospital.

Resolved, That the Statement of the Estimated Income and Expenditure of Greenwich Hospital for the year 1888-9, presented to Parliament pursuant to Act 48 & 49 Vic. c. 42, be approved.

Science and Art Department (Correspondence.)

No. 300.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence that has passed between the Science and Art Department, South Kensington, and the Treasury, since November 1884, relative to the Claim of the Attendants and Messengers of that Department to Superannuation and the Sick Allowances of Permanent Civil Servants.

Sir Herbert Maxwell accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 14th November, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, Public and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twentieth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Drunkenness on Sunday (Convictions) which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant November, be printed. No. 391.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations relating to the Militia.

Copy of further Regulations relating to the Army Reserve.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme under the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, for the Management and Endowment in the Burgh of Dundee and County of Forfar known as the Morgan Hospital, approved by the Scotch Education Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed. No. 392.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.233,520, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for contribution towards the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Horse Patrol and Thames Police, and for the Salaries of the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioners, and Receiver:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A., Salaries, be reduced by the Sum of £.1,500, the Salary of the Chief Commissioner;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Bradlaugh,	} 91.
Yeas,	Mr. Firth:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 207.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed:

And, it being after half-past Five of the clock, the Chairman rose to interrupt the Business: Chairman rises to interrupt the Business.

Whereupon Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put;" Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, "That the Question be now put;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 198.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Pickersgill,	} 89.
Noes,	Mr. Frith:	

Original Question put accordingly;

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 198.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }
Tellers for the { Dr. Tanner, } 67.
Noes, { Mr. Conybeare: }

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [13th November.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Supreme Court of Judicature.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 153,315, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Wreck Commissioner.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,680, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Wreck Commissioner.

County Courts.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 198,030, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

Land Registry.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 596, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Land Registry.

Revising Barristers, England.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 370, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of Revising Barristers in England.

Police Courts, London and Sheerness.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,243, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Police Courts of London and Sheerness.

The said Resolutions being read a second time; A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Original Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Resolutions were agreed to.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Sites (Compulsory Powers Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Prevention of Infectious Diseases, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Slander Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 5th day of December next.

British and
Irish Industry
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *British and Irish Industry Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of this instant November.

Metropolitan
Streets Regu-
lation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Statute Law
Revision
(Master and
Servant) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Legitim Law
Amendment
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 15th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions
(Nineteenth
Report.)

SIR Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 13th days of August last, and the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 12th, and 13th days of this instant November; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public
Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twentieth
Report.

Voters in
Counties
(England and
Wales.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented.—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of April last, for Returns relative to Voters in Counties (England and Wales).

Voters in
Boroughs
(England and
Wales.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of April last, for Returns relative to Voters in Boroughs (England and Wales).

Supreme Court
of Judicature
(Ireland) Act,
1877.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council by the Lords Justices and General Governors and Privy Council of Ireland, dated 10th November 1888, giving effect to certain Rules of Court, adopted by a majority of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland.

Winter
Assizes
(Ireland.)

Copies of Four Orders in Council, dated 10th November 1888, made by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of Ireland, directing the holding of Winter Assizes at certain Places in Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

South African
Republic.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Her Majesty's Agent at Pretoria on the Session of the Volksraad of the South African Republic in 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minutes of Proceedings and Papers laid before the International Conference on the Sugar Question (Second and Third Sessions, April, May, and August 1888).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report of the Select Committee on Estimates Procedure (Grants of Supply) be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Victoria University Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 19,000, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of Police engaged on Special Duties in connection with Dynamite Outrages.

2. £. 872,286, to complete the Sum for certain Expenses connected with the Police in Counties and Boroughs in England and Wales.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 311,180, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item D., Pay and Allowances, be reduced by £. 1,000, in respect of Medical Officers and Chaplains;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Dr. Clark,	} 101.
Yeas,	Mr. Buchanan:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 161.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item D., Pay and Allowances, be reduced by £. 350, in respect of the Medical Officer of Kirkdale Prison;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Dillon,	} 67.
Yeas,	Mr. Biggar:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 116.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. £. 74,646, to complete the Sum for the Expense of the Maintenance of Juvenile Offenders in Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools in Great Britain, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Reformatories.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,802, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum, England:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,402, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance of Criminal

Criminal Lunatics in the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum, *England*;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Labouchere, 80.
Mr. Dilboyn :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, 177.
Colonel Walrond :

Original Question put, and agreed to.
Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [14th November.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That a Sum, not exceeding £. 233,520, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for contribution towards the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Horse Patrol and Thames Police, and for the Salaries of the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioners, and Receiver.

The said Resolution being read a second time; An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 233,520," in order to insert "£. 230,220;"

And the Question being proposed, That "£. 233,520" stand part of the Resolution;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 16th November, 1888:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, 143.
Colonel Walrond :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Pickersgill, 30.
Mr. James Rowlands :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. James Stuart, 25.
Mr. Conybeare :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, 116.
Colonel Walrond :

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being put;

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution.

Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) (re-committed) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Burgh Police and Health (Scotland) (re-committed) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (Ireland) (Land Commission) [Remuneration];

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of July last, That the Bann Drainage Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Three by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burrow Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shannon Drainage Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Evidence Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India
Officers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *East India Officers Bill*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Presumption
of Life (Scot-
land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Universities
(Scotland)
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Universities (Scotland) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Augmentation
of Benefices
Act Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant November, That the *Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill* be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Suffragans'
Nomination
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Suffragans' Nomination Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Weights and
Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Weights and Measures Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Liability of
Trustees Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Liability of Trustees Bill*, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Occupiers'
Disqualifica-
tion Removal
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill*;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Buildings
(Metropolis)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Buildings (Metropolis) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Registration
Act (1885)
Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary
Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Parliamentary Voters Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Chapels (Clon-
macnoice) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chapels (Clonmacnoice) Bill*;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 16th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.Vide Twentieth
Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Episcopal and Capitular Estates, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant November, be printed.

Episcopal and
Capitular
Estates.
No. 393.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Voters in Counties (*England and Wales*), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant November, be printed.

Voters in
Counties
(England and
Wales.)
No. 394.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Voters in Boroughs (*England and Wales*), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant November, be printed.

Voters in
Boroughs
(England and
Wales.)
No. 395.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the *Irish Land Commissioners* for the period from 22nd August 1887 to 22nd August 1888.

Irish Land
Commission
(Report),
1887-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns of Accidents and Casualties as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the Nine Months ended 30th September 1888, in pursuance of the Regulation of Railways Act (1871), 34 & 35 Vic. c. 78, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Railway
Accidents.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court, dated November 1888.

Supreme Court.

The Quarter Sessions Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Quarter
Sessions Bill
[Lords.]
Bill 383.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he had received the following Letter, relating to the imprisonment of Mr. *Jeremiah D. Sheehan*:—

Tralee,
Nov. 14th, 1888.

Sir,
I beg leave to inform you that the Bench of Magistrates presiding at Petty Sessions at *Killarney* on Tuesday, 13th Nov. 1888, of which I was Chairman, convicted Mr. *Jeremiah D. Sheehan*, a Member of the House of Commons, of the offence of using threatening and abusive language to District Inspector *Rodgers*, Royal Irish Constabulary, while in discharge of his duty, and ordered the said *Jeremiah D. Sheehan* to find bail to be of good behaviour for twelve months, himself in £. 50 and two sureties in £. 25 each; and in default ordered that the said *Jeremiah D. Sheehan* be imprisoned for one calendar month.

Mr. *Jeremiah D. Sheehan* having declined to find bail as aforesaid, he was yesterday, 13th Nov., conveyed to *Tralee* Prison to be imprisoned for the said term, and he is at present in the prison at *Tralee*.

I have the honor to remain,
Your obedient servant,
Cecil R. Roche, R.M.

The Right Honble.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Ordered,

Metropolitan
Streets Regu-
lation Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bankruptcy
Law Amend-
ment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Bankruptcy: And that Sir *Albert Rollit*, Colonel *Hill*, Mr. *Woodall*, Mr. *Forrest Fulton*, Mr. *Labouchere*, Mr. *Charles Wilson*, and Mr. *Gully* do prepare, and bring it in.

Bankruptcy
Law Amend-
ment Bill.
Bill-384.

Sir *Albert Rollit* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Bankruptcy: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 195,303, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Science and Art Department, and of the Establishments connected therewith:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £. 190,303, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Science and Art Department, and of the Establishments connected therewith:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 194,803, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Science and Art Department, and of the Establishments connected therewith;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Labouchere</i> ,	} 41.
Yeas,	Dr. <i>Tanner</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 106.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 61,359, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the *British Museum*, including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 61,059, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the *British Museum*, including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Mr. *Webster* rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum not exceeding £. 61,109, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course

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of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the *British Museum*, including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Dr. <i>Tanner</i> ,	} 24.
Yeas,	Mr. <i>P. J. Power</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 137.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £. 4,429, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery. Resolutions to be reported.

Saturday, 17th November, 1888:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply [15th Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, November.] as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of Police engaged on Special Duties in connection with Dynamite Outrages.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 872,286, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Expenses connected with the Police in Counties and Boroughs in England and Wales.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 311,180, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 74,646, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of the Maintenance of Juvenile Offenders in Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools in Great Britain, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Reformatories.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,802, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum, England.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill; *Resolved*, Bill [Lords.]

Chairman
withholds his
Assent, and
declines then
to put the
Question.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Partnership Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 7, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 8, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 9, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 11 to N° 17, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 18, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 19 and N° 20, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

School Board for London (Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 26th day of this instant November.

Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' Expenses) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 19th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to *Kilrush* and *Cappoquin*: And that Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland and Mr. Arthur Balfour do prepare, and bring it in.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Twentieth Report.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations with regard to the Pensions of Soldiers, and to the Pay and Pensions of the Yeomanry.

Army (Pensions of Soldiers and Pay and Pensions of Yeomanry.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of July last, for a Return relative to the House of Commons.

No. 396.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill further to facilitate the Purchase of Land in Ireland by increasing the Amount applicable for that purpose by the Land Commission;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in lieu of proceeding again to vote the Sum of £. 5,000,000, so as to place the State in the direct relation of landlord to the Irish occupier, under the provisions of 'The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885,' it is expedient, especially in view of the lamentable sufferings caused by recent evictions in Ireland, to extend the provisions of 'The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,' so as to empower the Land Court to reduce or cancel the arrears of rents found to be excessive, as well as to deal with the rents themselves, after the example of the legislation recently and beneficially applied to the Crofters' holdings in Scotland."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sir Herbert Maxwell reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 195,303, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Science and Art Department, and of the Establishments connected therewith.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 61,359, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and

Science and Art Department.

British Museum and Natural History Museum (Buildings.)

and Expenses of the *British Museum*, including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum.

National Gallery.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,429, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 20th November, 1888:

Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Weights and Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Victoria University Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Victoria University Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill; Occupiers' Disqualification Removal Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (*Ireland*) Bill; Perpetuity Leases (*Ireland*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill; Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill; Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill; Registration Act (1885) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill; Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill; Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill; Limited Partnerships Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (*Clonmacnoise*) Bill; Chapels (*Clonmacnoise*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 20th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions. Vide Twentieth Report.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to Two Orders, dated respectively the 4th day of May last, and the 9th day of this instant November, for Returns relative to the Land Purchase (*Ireland*) Act (Advances and Applications), and Landed Estates Court, Land Judges' Branch of the Court of Chancery (*Ireland*).

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Two Orders of Quarter Sessions altering Polling Places in the West Riding of Yorkshire. Polling Districts (West Riding of Yorkshire.)

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Possessions (Saint Lucia.)

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887, No. 32 (*Saint Lucia*).

Colonial Possessions (Hong Kong.)

Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887, No. 33 (*Hong Kong*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.) No. 397.

Sir William Hart Dyke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of Trinity College, Cambridge, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on 20th April 1888, and sealed on the 19th July following, altering and amending Statutes XII. and XX. of the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 433, 434, 435, and 436.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 109.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Board of Trade Rules under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, with respect to the submission of Revised Classification of Merchandise Traffic, and Revised Schedules of Maximum Rates and Charges applicable thereto (so far as regards Railways).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Caledonian Canal. No. 398.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Eighty-third Report of the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Naval Expenditure.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Actual Naval Expenditure, Ships added to and struck off the Navy Lists, with other Details, in the following Form, from 1859 to 1888, inclusive, with Totals and Averages of Triennial Periods:—

	1859.	1860.	1861.	1859 to 1861, Total and Average.	1862.	1863.	1864.	1862 to 1864, Total and Average.
1. Total Not Ordinary Expenditure, separating Effective and Non-Effective, excluding Guns, Fittings, and Army Transport								
2. Shipbuilding and Repairs Votes, Wages, Material, and Contracts								
3. New Construction (out of above)								
4. Armaments, including Fittings, showing separately Amounts in Army and Navy Votes								
5. Tonnage of newly-completed Ships, whether Commissioned or to Reserve								
6. Number of Ships struck off Navy List								
7. Number of Ships in Commission								
8. Number of Ships in Reserve, showing Classes								
9. Special Votes, not included (in No. 1) above, and for what purpose								
10. Tonnage of Merchant Shipping under British Flag								
11. Total Value of Imports and Exports								

and for each Year and Triennial Period to Year 1888, inclusive, in the same Form.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Further Correspondence relating to the Conference on Sugar Bounties (in continuation of [C. 5259], of Session 1888).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns showing at the close of each Financial Year, from 1835 to 1887-8, both inclusive, the Aggregate Gross Liabilities of the State as represented by the Nominal Funded Debt, Estimated Capital Value of Terminable Annuities, Unfunded Debt, and other Liabilities in respect of Debt, the Estimated Assets, and the Aggregate Net Liabilities, also the Exchequer Balances; and, showing at the close of each Financial Year, from 1835 to 1887-8, both inclusive, the Gross and Net Expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund on account of the National Debt, and other Payments in respect of Debt.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Motion for leave to introduce the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sitzings of the House.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 19th day of this instant November, was proposed to be made to the Question, That leave be given to bring in a Bill further to facilitate the Purchase of Land in Ireland by increasing the Amount applicable for that purpose by the Land Commission; and which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in lieu of proceeding again to vote the Sum of £.5,000,000, so as to place the State in the direct relation of landlord to the Irish occupier, under the provisions of 'The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885,' it is expedient, especially in view of the lamentable sufferings caused by recent evictions in Ireland, to extend the provisions of 'The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,' so as to empower the Land Court to reduce or cancel the arrears of rents found to be excessive, as well as to deal with the rents themselves, after the example of the legislation recently and beneficially applied to the Crofters' holdings in Scotland," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 21st November, 1888:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Akers-Douglas, { 330.

Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Arnold Morley, { 246.

Mr. Marjoribanks:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill further to facilitate the Purchase of Land in Ireland by increasing the Amount applicable for that purpose by the Land Commission: And that Mr. Arthur Balfour, Mr. Solicitor General for

for Ireland, and Mr. Secretary Matthews do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Bill.
Bill 385.

Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland accordingly presented a Bill further to facilitate the Purchase of Land in Ireland, by increasing the Amount applicable for that purpose by the Land Commission: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Patents,
Designs, and
Trade Marks
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Solicitors Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Divisional
Magistrates
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Suffragans'
Nomination
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Quarter
Sessions Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Land Charges
Registration
and Searches
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Sale of
Intoxicating
Liquors on
Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Chapels (Clon-
macnoice) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoice) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half-an-hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 21st November, 1888.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twentieth
Report.

Finsbury
Borough
(Holborn
Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of VOL. 143.

Finsbury, Holborn Division, in the room of Colonel Francis Duncan, deceased.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland) 1875 Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Definitions).

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and negatived.

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Pluralities
Acts Amend-
ment Act,
1885, Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Statute Law
Revision
(Master and
Servant) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (Master and Servant) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Legitim Law
Amendment
(Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitim Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Cruelty to
Children (Pre-
vention) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Chapels (Clon-
macnoice) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoice) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Small Debts
and Distraint
(Ireland)
(changed from
Distraint
for Rent
(Dublin))
Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Bill 336.

Thursday, 22nd November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Twentieth
Report.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Extra
Constabulary
(Ireland)
No. 309.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Extra Constabulary (Ireland), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant November, be printed.

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Act
(Advances and
Applications).
No. 400.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Land Purchase (Ireland) Act (Advances and Applications), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant November, be printed.

Trade Reports
(Miscellaneous
Series.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 110.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Customs.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-second Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs on the Customs, for the year ended 31st March 1888.

Supplementary Estimate of the Sums required to be voted for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1889, for the Civil Services and Revenue Departments, in addition to the Sums already provided in the Estimates presented in the current Session.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the Paper relative to the Customs do lie upon the Table.

Civil Services
and Revenue
Departments,
1888-9 (Sup-
plementary
Estimate.)
No. 401.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Permanent Copies of Correspondence between the Lord Staff of Lord Chancellor and the Treasury from April 1884 to April 1885, on the Subject of the permanent re-arrangement of the Staff of the Lord Chancellor:—And, of the Orders thereon of the Lord Chancellor.

Ordered, That Mr. Justin Huntly McCarthy Leave of have leave of absence for the remainder of the Absence. Session, on account of domestic affliction.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Brewers' a Return relating to Brewers' Licences (in con- Licences. tinuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 343, of 1887).

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Land Purchase the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, (Ireland) Bill. upon the 21st day of this instant November, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time; and which Amendment was to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day three months;" And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Aird rose in his place, and claimed to Mr. Speaker withhold his Assent, and decline then to put that Question.

Then the House resumed the Debate.

And, it being Midnight, Mr. Speaker rose to interrupt the business:

Whereupon Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Ques- Question put tion be now put." (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Friday, 23rd November, 1888:

And the Question being put, "That the Ques- tion be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the, Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 289.
Yeas, Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the, Mr. Labouchere, } 224.
Noes, Mr. Bradlaugh:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply. Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Board of Second Reading of the Board of Agriculture Agriculture Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill. upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Presumption of Second Reading of the Presumption of Life Life (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The

Universities
(Scotland) Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Augmentation
of Benefices
Act Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant November, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time ;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Weights and
Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Patents,
Designs, and
Trade Marks
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Solicitors Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans'
Nomination
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Quarter
Sessions Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Partnership
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Partnership Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyhold Acts
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Intoxicating
Liquors
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Charities
Restitution
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities Restitution Bill ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Buildings
(Metropolis)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buildings (Metropolis) Bill ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Preferential
Payment of
Wages (No. 2)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Metropolitan
Streets Regu-
lation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter districts of Scotland to the British Colonies ; to examine the results of any such scheme which has received practical trial in recent years ; and to Report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed :—And a Debate arising thereupon ; And, objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned till this day.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Draft of a proposed Bill, with Memoranda and Papers relating thereto.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Five minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 23rd November, 1883.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant November, be printed.

The Order made upon the 30th day of July last, for printing the Paper relating to Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimate, 1888-89), was read, and discharged.

Lord George Hamilton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of Deposits in Naval Savings Banks, and the Payments thereof, and of Interest thereon ; of all Investments under "The Naval Savings Banks Act, 1866," and the application of the Interest or Dividends accruing in respect thereof ; and of the Proceeds of any Sale of any Stocks, Annuities, or Securities during the Financial year 1886-87.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Royal Warrant, approving alterations in the Statutes of Royal University of Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Mr.

Births, Deaths,
and Marriages
(England.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fiftieth Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in *England* (1887).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 437 to 439.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Land Purchase
(Ireland)
(Names of
Landowners.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return giving the Names of the Landowners the purchase of whose Properties under "The Land Purchase (*Ireland*) Act, 1855, has been sanctioned by the *Irish Land Commission*, with the following particulars against each Name:—(a.) Area of the Property; (b.) County in which situate; (c.) Total Rental; (d.) Valuation; (e.) Amount of Purchase Money; (f.) Total Number of Holdings on the Estate.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder Factory
Bill.

Mr. *Woodall* reported from the Select Committee on the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill*; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had taken Evidence thereon, which they had directed him to Report to the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 403.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bill 387.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next; and be printed.

Army Boots.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Army Boots tendered for inspection at *Fimlico* in January and February and in September and October of the present year, with the Results in each period in Passed, and Ten per Cent. Reductions, and Final Rejections.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act
(1887) Amend-
ment (Lease-
holders.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," in regard to Leaseholders: And that Mr. *M'Cartan*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Clancy*, and Mr. *Pinkerton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act
(1887) Amend-
ment (Lease-
holders) Bill.

Mr. *M'Cartan* accordingly presented a Bill to amend "The Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1887," in regard to Leaseholders: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Sittings of the
House
(Exemption
from the
Standing
Order.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on the Land Purchase (*Ireland*) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,

Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond* : } 195.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Sydney Buxton*,

Noes, { Mr. *John Ellis* : } 159.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Land Purchase (*Ireland*) Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they have power to provide that the *Irish*

Land Commission may take an account of the amount of arrears of rent due from tenants desirous of purchasing their holdings, who have made, or shall make, application to have judicial rents fixed for their holdings, and may decide whether the whole, or any, or what part of such arrears ought to be paid, and whether in one payment or by instalments, and at what dates the same should be paid;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Carew*,

Yeas, { Mr. *Biggar* : } 148.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,

Noes, { Colonel *Walrond* : } 182.

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they have power to enable the Land Commission to permit of tenants, when purchasing their holdings, to also purchase grass land or other lands not held to be used wholly or mainly for the purposes of tillage and situated in the neighbourhood of their holdings;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Colonel *Nolan*,

Yeas, { Dr. *Kenny* : } 128.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,

Noes, { Colonel *Walrond* : } 159.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Increase of limit of advances by *Irish Land Commission* and provision therefor).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the word "ten," in order to insert the words "six-and-a-half."

Question proposed, That the word "ten" stand part of the Clause;

Saturday, 24th November, 1888:

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*,

Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond* : } 212.

Tellers for the { Sir *Walter Foster*,

Noes, { Mr. *Halley Stewart* : } 154.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided that 'not more than one-fourth of the said sum of ten million pounds shall be applied in any one of the four Provinces in *Ireland*.'"

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents, Designs and Trade Marks Bills;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Scotch Crofters Emigration.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of this instant November, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various Schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter Districts of Scotland to the British Colonies; to examine the results of any such Scheme which has received practical trial in recent years; and to report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) Bill [changed from "Distraint for Rent (Dublin)"]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) Bill;
 The Amendments, as far as the Amendment, in p. 1, l. 24, being read a second time, were agreed to.
Ordered, That the further consideration of the Lords' Amendments be deferred till Monday next.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Bankruptcy Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy Law Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

School Board for London (Pensions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of December next.

Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Preferential Payment of Wages Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 26th November, 1888.

THE HOUSE met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Twentieth Report.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Naval Savings Banks, which was presented upon the 23rd day of this instant November, be printed.

Naval Savings Banks. No. 308.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of this instant November, for a Return relative to *East India* (Plate Duties).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Contracts made by the several Government Departments between the 1st day of April 1886 and the 31st day of March 1888 with Contractors outside the United Kingdom (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 228, of Session 1886).

Contracts with Foreigners.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House;

Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 207.

{ Colonel Walrond;

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Sydney Buxton, } 135.

{ Mr. Craig;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Increase of limit of advances by Irish Land Commission and provision therefor).

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided, that no money shall be advanced for the purchase of more than one holding in the occupation of any one tenant if such holding be of the rateable value of not less than twenty pounds per annum."

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

Complaint being made to the Committee by Mr. Sheehy, Member for South Galway, that he had been served with a Summons in the

Complaint.

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Outer

Outer Lobby, the Chairman was ordered to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill.

Privilege
(Service of a
Summons in
the Outer
Lobby on Mr.
Sheehy, M.P.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the attempted service (together with the attendant circumstances) of a Summons upon Mr. Sheehy, Member for South Galway, made in the Outer Lobby of the House.

Mr. Secretary Matthews, Mr. Childers, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. John Morley, Mr. Solicitor General, Sir Charles Russell, Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland, Mr. Parnell, Sir Matthew Ridley, Mr. T. M. Healy, and Mr. Hanbury were nominated Members of the Committee; with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Committee do withdraw immediately.

Land Purchase
(Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee upon the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Increase of limit of advances by Irish Land Commission and provision therefor).

Amendment again proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided, that no money shall be advanced for the purchase of more than one holding in the occupation of any one tenant if such holding be of the rateable value of not less than twenty pounds per annum."

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Molloy,	} 111.
Yeas,	Mr. Sexton:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 154.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided, that in determining the applications to be approved the Commissioners shall give preference to tenants of landlords whose estates are valued, under the Acts relating to the valuation of property in Ireland, at not more than One thousand pounds per annum."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided, that the Land Commission, in sanctioning advances, shall have regard to the expediency of dealing with the cases of small tenants, and also to the interest of social order, and the relative urgency of applications received from the several provinces and counties of Ireland."

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

Tuesday, 27th November, 1888:

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Sexton,	} 118.
Yeas,	Mr. Dillon:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 180.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 177.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Mr. T. M. Healy,	} 111.
Noes,	Mr. Picton:	

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

A Clause (Quarterly Returns)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and negatived.

Original Question again proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

After Debate thereon;

Mr. Arthur Balfour rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 174.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Mr. T. M. Healy,	} 99.
Noes,	Mr. Conybeare:	

Question put accordingly, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Arnold Morley,	} 108.
Yeas,	Mr. Marjoribanks:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 166.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply. Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session and Bill Chamber (Scotland) (Clerks) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Presumption of Life (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The

Universities
(Scotland) Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Quarter
Sessions Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Waltham
Abbey
Gunpowder
Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Patents,
Designs, and
Trade Marks
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Small Debts
and Distraint
(Ireland)
(changed from
"Distress
for Rent
(Dublin)")
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into further consideration this day.

Solicitors
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating
Liquors
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Elementary
Education
(Continuation
Schools) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of December next.

Perpetuity
Leases
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Railway
Companies
(Carriage of
Fish) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Pluralities Acts
Amendment
Act, 1885,
Amendment
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Metropolitan
Streets Regula-
tion Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Limited
Partnerships
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;
Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, to assist Mr. Speaker in superintending the form and regulating the Distribution of Parliamentary Papers: And the Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Walter James, Mr. Causton, Mr. Bartley, Mr. Arthur Acland, Mr. James Maclean, Mr. Arthur Elliot, Mr. Gill, and Sir Herbert Murwell.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 27th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to East India (Plate Duties), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant November, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of Return of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885 and 1886," and "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885," during the month of October 1888.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copies of Ten General Orders issued by the Local Government Board (Ireland), between 24th February and 21st September 1888 inclusive.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Hart Dyke presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th November 1888, suspending the operation of the Extradition Acts in the Dominion of Canada so long as the Act of the Parliament of the Dominion of 1886, respecting the Extradition of Fugitive Criminals, continues in force there, and no longer.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th November 1888, approving a Scheme of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners with respect to the Bishoprick of Wakefield.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th November 1888, uniting the Colonies of Trinidad and Tobago.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 17th November 1888, extending Part II. of the Act to Her Majesty's Possessions in South Africa, and repealing the Order in Council in respect thereof of the 12th December 1883, as from and after the 1st January next.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Sir

Forth Bridge
Railway.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-second Quarterly Report of Inspection, by Major General Hutchinson, R.E., and Major Marindin, C.M.G., R.E., of the Works in progress for the Construction of the Bridge over the River Forth.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Arrears of Rent
(Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing by Counties and Ridings of Counties the Number of Ejectment Decrees for non-payment of Rent and Costs issued at each of the Quarterly Sittings of the County Courts in Ireland from the passing of the Land Law (Ireland) Act of 1887 (23rd August 1887) up to the 23rd day of November 1888; also the Number of Cases in which the Presiding Judges availed themselves of the Power vested in them under Section 30 of the said Act by staying Execution, and granting Orders extending the time for Payment of Arrears and Costs, and the Periods over which Payments were extended:—

Name of County, or Riding of County.	Number of Decrees issued at each of the Quarterly Sittings of the County Courts in Ireland from 23rd August 1887 to 23rd November 1888.	Number of Cases in which Execution was stayed and Extension Orders granted.	Periods of Extension.				
			One Year.	Two Years.	Three Years.	Four Years.	Five Years.

Royal College of Surgeons (Supplemental Charter.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Statements made by the Deputation of the Members of the Royal College of Surgeons of England to the Lord President of the Council on the 11th day of November 1887, upon the subject of the Supplemental Charter since granted to the said College, and of all Documents and Correspondence relating thereto lodged in the Privy Council Office, including the Petition to Her Majesty signed by 4,665 Members of the College.

Army (Clothing Department.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Annual Accounts of the Army Clothing Department for the year 1887-8.

Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 202.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the { Mr. Handel Cossham, } 129.
Noes, { Mr. Picton:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Another Clause (Limitation of advances)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Prevention of colourable transactions)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

After Debate thereon;

Mr. Johnston rose in his place, and claimed to Chairman move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed;

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Shaw Lefevre, } 93.
Yeas, { Mr. Francis Stevenson:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 120.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

A Clause added.

Another Clause (Amendment of Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause added.

Another Clause (Continuation of additional Land Commissioners)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Advances not to be made pending proceedings by landlord)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Advances not to be made pending proceedings by landlord)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. T. M. Healy, } 142.
Yeas, { Mr. Sexton:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 205.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

Another Clause (Advance not to be made to person in receipt of public money)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time,—put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Notice of intended advances)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

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Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. T. M. Healy, } 97.
Yeas, { Mr. Dillwyn:

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 165.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond:

Another Clause (Security for advance)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Bartley rose in his place, and claimed to Chairman move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time,—put, and negatived.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Scotch Crofters Emigration.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of this instant November, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter Districts of Scotland to the British Colonies; to examine the results of any such Scheme which has received practical trial in recent years; and to report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory* (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) [changed from "Distraint for Rent (Dublin)"] Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into further consideration this day.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill.

The Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 6th day of December next.

Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill.

The County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Parliamentary Papers Distribution.

Ordered, That Mr. Waller James be discharged from the Select Committee on Parliamentary Papers Distribution.

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Ordered, That Mr. Howell be added to the Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 28th November, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, Public and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions. Vide Twenty-first Report.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Security for advance): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the	Mr. Mahony,	} 74.
Yeas,	Mr. James Stuart:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Ahers-Douglas,	} 139.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Restriction of advances to tenancies where judicial rents have been fixed): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of s. 3 of Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Certificate of title to be issued to tenant purchaser in lieu of a conveyance): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Sub lettings to labourers and others): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Notice to be given when the existing fund will be exhausted) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Advances to be proportionate to valuation): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Notice of intended advances): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill

Bill (Duress shall prevent Advance): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Timothy Healy, } 143.
Yeas, } Mr. Sexton:

Tellers for the Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 194.
Noes, } Colonel Walrond:

So it passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.
(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Definition of Quinton Hill Farm.)

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) [changed from "Distress for Rent (Dublin)"] Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Small Debts and Distraint (Ireland) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Libel Law Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Application of Act).

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Burials Bill.

Second Reading of the Burials Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Canal Development Bill.

Second Reading of the Canal Development Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the British and Irish Industry Bill.

Second Reading of the British and Irish Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of December next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.]

Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill.

Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Leaseholders) Bill.

Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Leaseholders) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill.

Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Crofters' Bill to amend the twenty-third section of "The Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886": And that Dr. Clark, Mr. Lyell, Dr. M'Donald, and Mr. Mackintosh do prepare, and bring it in.

Dr. Clark accordingly presented a Bill to amend the twenty-third section of "The Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886:" And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill 389.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he had received the following Letter, relating to the Attachment of Mr. Gent-Davis:—

Mr. Speaker, Nov. 27, 1888.
I have the honour of communicating to you, for the information of the House of Commons, that

County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill.

Canal Development Bill.

British and Irish Industry Bill.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.]

Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill.

Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Leaseholders) Bill.

Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 4.)

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 4.) Bill.

Attachment of a Member (Mr. Gent-Davis.)

that I have this morning directed an attachment to issue against *Robert Gent-Davis, Esq.*, the Member for *Kennington*, for contempt of Court in appropriating to his own use, and neglecting to pay into Court, a large sum of money which was received by him in a fiduciary character as receiver and manager appointed by the Court, and has not been paid by him into Court in pursuance of my order to that effect.

I have thought it right to make this communication to you for the purpose of accounting for the probable absence of the honourable Member, and testifying my profound respect for the honourable House.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Ford North,
One of the Judges of the Chancery
Division of the High Court of
Justice.

To the Rt. Hon.
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Public
Accounts
(Third
Report.)

No. 405.

Sir John Lubbock reported from the Select Committee of Public Accounts; That they have made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Arrears of
Rent (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the Order for a Return relating to Arrears of Rent (*Ireland*), made upon Tuesday 27th November, be amended, by adding after the words "five years" in the last column, the words "and upwards."

Metropolitan
Streets Regu-
lation Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Trustee
Savings Banks
[Inquiry not
Completed.]

No. 406.

Mr. Shaw Lefevre reported from the Select Committee on Trustee Savings Banks; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, as follows:—Your Committee are of opinion that, at this late period of the Session, it will not be in their power to conclude their investigations; they have therefore agreed to report the Evidence already taken to the House, and to recommend that a Committee on the same subject should be appointed in the next Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 29th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions
(Twentieth
Report.)

SIR Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 14th, 15th, 16th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th, and 27th days of this instant November, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Twenty-
first Report.

Justices of the
Peace.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return giving the Names and Professions or Descrip-

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tions of all Justices of the Peace for the Counties of *England* and *Wales* on the 1st day of June 1887, with the Dates of their Appointment, showing which had ceased for a year or upwards to attend Petty or Quarter Sessions, in a similar Form to Parliamentary Paper, No. 13, of Session 1, 1886, relative to Justices of the Peace in the Boroughs and Cities of *England* and *Wales*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Reports on the Slave Trade on the East Coast of *Africa*, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Orders made upon the 10th day of August last, That the Paper relative to Merchandise Traffic (Minimum Rates) do lie upon the Table, and be printed, were severally read, and discharged.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Bill 300.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return for *London* and the following Municipal Boroughs, for the year ending the 31st day of August 1888, showing:—

Estimated Population, August 1888.*	School Accommo- dation.		Number on Roll.		Average Attendance.		Total Grant.		Grant per Head.		Merit Grant.	
	Board.	Voluntary.	Board.	Voluntary.	Board.	Voluntary.	Board.	Voluntary.	Board.	Voluntary.	Board. E. G. F. R.†	Voluntary. E. G. F. R.†
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* Estimated by Registrar General for England and Wales.
† E., Excellent; G., good; F., fair; R., refused.

Mr. Bradlaugh, Member for the Borough of *Northampton*, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the continued indefinite imprisonment of *Thomas Morony* for a criminal offence, namely (the Contempt of Court), to the actual serious injury of his health, and possible peril of his life; but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, *Mr. Speaker* called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise

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in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen ;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn ;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right ;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Bradlaugh,

Yeas, { Mr. Brunner :

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Noes, { Colonel Walrond :

So it passed in the Negative.

Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill ;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now," stand part of the Question ;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right ;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Yeas, { Colonel Walrond :

Tellers for the { Dr. Clark,

Noes, { Mr. Dilhoun :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time :—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply ;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant November, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time ;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Weights and Measures Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures Bill ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Excise Duties (Local Purposes) Bill ;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 7th day of December next.

Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed

upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time ;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 2 to N° 30, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of this instant November, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter districts of Scotland to the British Colonies ; to examine the results of any such scheme which has received practical trial in recent years ; and to Report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed ;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning ;

Friday, 30th November, 1888 :

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords ; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments ; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The

Cruelty to
Children
(Prevention)
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Land Law
(Ireland) Act
(1887) Amend-
ment (Lease-
holders) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Leaseholders) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Chapels (Clon-
macnoice) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoice) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 30th November, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twenty-
first Report.

Justices of the
Peace.

No. 356.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Justices of the Peace, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant November, be printed.

Railway and
Canal Com-
mission.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Letter addressed by the Board of Trade to the two Railway Commissioners appointed by Her Majesty upon the recommendation of the President of the Board of Trade, under the provisions of "The Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sand Grouse
Protection.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Protection of Sand Grouse in the United Kingdom: And that Mr. Sydney Buxton, Sir George Trevelyan, Lord Charles Beresford, Sir John Lubbock, Mr. Osborne Morgan, Sir Henry James, Mr. Richard Power, Sir Edward Birkbeck, and Mr. Broadhurst do prepare, and bring it in.

Tribunals of
Commerce.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Establishment of Tribunals of Commerce: And that Mr. Jacoby, Sir Albert Rollit, Mr. Montagu, Mr. James Maclean, and Mr. Esslemont do prepare, and bring it in.

Sand Grouse
Protection Bill.

Bill 391.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented a Bill for the better Protection of Sand Grouse in the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Tribunals of
Commerce
Bill.

Bill 392.

Mr. Jacoby presented a Bill for the Establishment of Tribunals of Commerce: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Sittings of the
House
(Exemption
from the
Standing
Order.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Committee of Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House;
The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 167.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Edmund Robertson, } 117.
Noes, { Mr. Francis Stevenson: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 139,510, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Superannuation and Retired Allowances to Persons formerly employed in the Public Service, and for Compassionate or other Special Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A., Superannuation Allowances, be reduced by the Sum of £. 500, in respect of Diplomatic Pensions:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 138,510, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Superannuation and Retired Allowances to Persons formerly employed in the Public Service, and for Compassionate or other Special Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 81.
Yeas, { Mr. Handel Cossham: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 114.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 139,180, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Superannuation and Retired Allowances to Persons formerly employed in the Public Service, and for Compassionate or other Special Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury;

After Debate thereon;

Admiral Field rose in his place, and claimed Chairman to move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his Assent, and declined then to put that Question;

Debate resumed:

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Hunter, } 69.
Yeas, { Mr. Esslemont: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 126.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Original Question again proposed:

Mr. William Henry Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; Question put, accordingly, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, } 130.
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the { Dr. Clark, } 75.
Noes, { Mr. Handel Cossham: }

Original Question accordingly put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 139,510, be granted to Her

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Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Superannuation and Retired Allowances to Persons formerly employed in the Public Service, and for Compassionate or other Special Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury; The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 145.
Yeas,	Colonel Walrond:	
Tellers for the	Sir Walter Foster,	} 72.
Noes,	Mr. Conybeare:	

2. £. 4,400, to complete the Sum for Pensions to Masters and Seamen of the Merchant Service, and to their Widows and Children.

3. £. 488,000, to complete the Sum in Aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in *England and Wales*.

4. £. 13, to complete the Sum to make good the Sum by which the Interest accrued in the year ended 20th November 1887, from Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, on account of "The Fund for the Banks for Savings," and "The Fund for Friendly Societies" is insufficient to meet the Interest which the said Commissioners are obliged by Statute to Pay and Credit during such latter mentioned year to the Trustees of Savings Banks and to Friendly Societies.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 338, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in *Great Britain*;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 238, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in *Great Britain*;

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Question put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

6. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 422, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	Mr. Labouchere,	} 60.
Yeas,	Mr. Handel Cossham:	
Tellers for the	Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 133.
Noes,	Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

7. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Grants in Aid of the Expenditure of certain Learned Societies in *Great Britain and Ireland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Grants in Aid of the Expen-

diture of certain Learned Societies in *Great Britain and Ireland*—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

8. £. 4,852 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 700), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the University of *London*.

9. £. 7,000, to complete the Sum in Aid of the Expenses of certain Universities and Colleges in *England and Wales*.

10. £. 1,000, to complete the Sum for the Expense of preparing an Account of the Scientific Results of the Expedition of Her Majesty's Ship "Challenger" in 1873, 1874, 1875, and 1876, to investigate the Physical and Biological Conditions of the Great Ocean Basins, and of arranging the Collections made during the Expedition.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Saturday, 1st December, 1888.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Twenty-first Report.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23rd day of

of November last, for a Return relative to Army Boots.

Ordered, that the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Health.) Lord George Hamilton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statistical Report of the Health of the Navy for the year 1887.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sitting of the House (Saturday.) A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Sitting of the House this day be held subject to the Rules and Orders in force with regard to the Sitting of the House on Wednesdays;

Disorderly conduct (Member ordered to Withdraw.) Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order 27, relating to Disorderly Conduct, ordered Mr. Cuninghame Graham to withdraw immediately from the House and its precincts during the remainder of this day's Sitting;

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Sitting of the House this day be held subject to the Rules and Orders in force with regard to the Sitting of the House on Wednesdays.

Supply. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.46,260, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A, Salaries, &c., be reduced by the Sum of £.500, part of the Salary of the Agent in Egypt;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Sir George Campbell,	} 101.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Paulton:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 136.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed;

And, it being half after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Complaint (Privilege.) Complaint made by Mr. Sexton, Member for West Belfast, of two Letters posted by Mr. Maurice Leahy, Sessional Crown Solicitor, Newcastle West, County Limerick, to certain Members of this House, and addressed to the House of Commons:

Letters handed in, and read—

The Queen, at the prosecution of District Inspector Lowndes, R.I.C.,
Complainant.

John Finucane, M.P.,
David Sheehy, M.P.,
James Hishon Moran,
Thomas Stuart, and
William Loudon,
Defendants.

Gentlemen,

I beg to inform you that when this Case comes on for hearing at Ballyneety Petty Sessions, on

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Thursday the 6th December prox., an application will be made to the presiding Magistrates, on the part of the Prosecution, for an adjournment to such time as may be necessary to enable Messrs. John Finucane, M.P., and David Sheehy, M.P., two of the above-named Defendants, to attend the House of Commons until the Irish Estimates are disposed of, provided that an undertaking be given by those two Defendants to attend on the day finally fixed for the hearing of said Case.

It is to be particularly observed that this undertaking of Messrs. Finucane, M.P., and Sheehy, M.P., referred to, will be required, and should be forwarded, so as to reach my Office here, previous to Monday 3rd December prox.

Dated this 28th day of November 1888.

Maurice P. Leahy,
Sessional Crown Solicitor,
Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.

To

John Finucane, Esq., M.P., Caherelly, Co. Limerick.

David Sheehy, Esq., M.P., 126, Holly Bank, Drumcondra.

James Hishon Moran, Esq., Solicitor, Limerick.

Thomas Stuart, Limerick.

William Loudon, Killeely, Co. Limerick.

The Queen, at the prosecution of District Inspector Jennings, R.I.C.,
Complainant.

John Finucane, M.P.,
David Sheehy, M.P., and
John MacInerney, P.L.G.,
Defendants.

Gentlemen,

I beg to inform you that when this Case comes on for hearing at Castleconnell Petty Sessions, on Monday the 3rd December prox., an application will be made to the presiding Magistrate, on the part of the Prosecution for an adjournment to such time as may be necessary to enable Messrs. John Finucane, M.P., and David Sheehy, M.P., two of the above-named Defendants, to attend the House of Commons until the Irish Estimates are disposed of, provided that an undertaking be given by those two Defendants to attend on the day finally fixed for the hearing of said Case.

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David Sheehy, Esq., M.P., 126, Holly Bank, Drumcondra.

John MacInerney, Esq., P.L.G., Meelick, Co. Clare.

Ordered, That the said Letters be referred to the Select Committee on Privilege (Service of a Summons in the Outer Lobby on Mr. Sheehy, M.P.)

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [30th November.] as follows:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.139,510, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Superannuation and Retired Allowances.

and Retired Allowances to Persons formerly employed in the Public Service, and for Compassionate or other Special Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Merchant
Service
(Pensions.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Pensions to Masters and Seamen of the Merchant Service, and to their Widows and Children.

Pauper
Lunatics
(England and
Wales.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.488,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in England and Wales.

Friendly
Societies
(Deficiencies.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.13, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, to make good the Sum by which the Interest accrued in the year ended 20th November 1887, from Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, on account of "The Fund for the Banks for Savings," and "The Fund for Friendly Societies," is insufficient to meet the Interest which the said Commissioners are obliged by Statute to Pay and Credit during such latter mentioned year to the Trustees of Savings Banks and to Friendly Societies.

Miscellaneous
Charitable and
other Allow-
ances (Great
Britain.)

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £.338, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in Great Britain.

National
Portrait
Gallery.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £.422, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery.

Learned
Societies.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,900, be granted to Her Majesty to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Grants in Aid of the Expenditure of certain Learned Societies in Great Britain and Ireland.

University of
London.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,852 (including a Supplementary Sum of £.700), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the University of London.

Universities
and Colleges
(England and
Wales.)

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £.7,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in aid of the Expenses of certain Universities and Colleges in England and Wales.

Her Majesty's
Ship "Chal-
lenger"
(Scientific
Results of the
Expedition.)

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £.1,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of preparing an Account of the Scientific Results of the Expedition of Her Majesty's Ship "Challenger" in 1873, 1874, 1875, and 1876, to investigate the Physical and Biological Conditions of the Great Ocean Basins, and of arranging the Collections made during the Expedition.

The first Resolution was read a second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 139,510," in order to insert "£. 138,310."

And the Question being proposed, That "£. 139,510" stand part of the said Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the First Resolution was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the, *Waltham Abbey* (Gunpowder Factory) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 3rd December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Twenty-
first Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Navy (Health), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant December, be printed.

Navy (Health.)
No. 407.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of November last, for a Return relative to the Permanent Staff of the Lord Chancellor.

Permanent
Staff of Lord
Chancellor.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Annual Accounts of the Ordnance Factories for the year 1887-8.

Army
(Ordnance
Factories.)

Mr. Secretary Stanhope also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of November last, for a Return relative to the Army (Clothing Department).

Army
(Clothing
Department.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Letters Patent, constituting the Office of Governor and Commander in Chief of the Colony of the *Gambia*, together with Royal Instructions and a Commission issued under the authority of the Letters Patent.

West Africa
(Gambia.)

Copy of Letters Patent, constituting the Office of Governor and Commander in Chief of the Colony of *Sierra Leone*, and providing for the Government thereof, together with Royal Instructions and Two Commissions issued under the authority of the Letters Patent.

Sierra Leone.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 440 to 443.

Trade Reports
(Annual
Series.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted, under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 179.
 { Colonel Walrond: }
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Labouchere, } 97.
 { Mr. Hunter: }
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

£. 2,478, to complete the Sum for the Salaries of the Officers and Attendants of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland and other Expenses.

Resolution to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,707, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in Dublin and London, and Subordinate Departments:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A., Salaries, Household, part of the Salary of the Chief Secretary, be reduced by the Sum of £. 425 ;

Tuesday, 4th December, 1888 :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Augmentation
of Benefices
Act Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of November last, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Patents,
Designs, and
Trade Marks
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Scotch
Crofters'
Emigration.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of November last, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter districts of Scotland to the British Colonies; to examine the results of any such scheme which has received practical trial in recent years; and to report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Ways and
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill; [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill; [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill; [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill; [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Companies (Carriage of Fish) Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of this instant December.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 4) Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill; [Lords.]

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 4th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS,

Public
Petitions.

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Vide Twenty-
first Report.

Criminal Law
and Procedure
(Ireland) Act,
1887 (Pro-
clamations.)

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Proclamation under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," applying Section 3 of the Act to certain places in the County of Kildare.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Police
(Metropolis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Men of all Ranks in each Division (distinguished by geographical Name as well as the usual Letter), together with the Number of Inhabited Houses, the Acreage, and the Miles of Streets in each.

Nonconformist
Marriages
(Attendance of
Registrars)
Bill.

Ordered, That the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of this instant December.

Parliamentary
Elections
(Seamen's
Votes) Bill.

Ordered, That the Parliamentary Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of this instant December.

Adjournment.

Lord Randolph Churchill, Member for South Paddington, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the Dispatch of a British Battalion to Suakim; and the pleasure of the House having been signified;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Lord Randolph Churchill, } 189.

Yeas, Sir Lewis Pelly:

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 231.

Noes, Colonel Walrond:

So it passed in the Negative.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question again proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.12,707, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in Dublin and London, and Subordinate Departments:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A, Salaries, Household, part of the Salary of the Chief Secretary, be reduced by the Sum of £.425;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Arnold Morley, } 181.

Yeas, Mr. Marjoribanks:

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 233.

Noes, Colonel Walrond:

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Original Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee Supply [3rd of Supply a Resolution; which was read, as December.] followeth:

That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,478, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries of the Officers and Attendants of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland and other Expenses.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Quarter Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of November last, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill, as amended in the Committee; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill; [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Suffragans' Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill; [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill; [Lords.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Companies
Clauses Con-
solidation
Act (1845)
Amendment
Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act (1845) Amendment Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Liability of
Trustees Bill
[Lords.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Liability of Trustees Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Power to Trustee to raise money to meet fines on renewal of lease), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 25, by inserting after the word "Parliament," the words "including stock, shares, or bonds, the dividends or interest on which are guaranteed under the Tramways and Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Friday next.

County Court
Appeals
(Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the County Court Appeals (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Solicitors
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Elementary
Education
(Continuation
Schools) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sale of
Intoxicating
Liquors on
Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of this instant December.

Limited
Partnerships
Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Chapels (Clon-
macnoice) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoice) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 5th December, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Twenty-
first Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Permanent Staff of the Lord Chancellor, which was presented upon the 3rd day of this instant December, be printed.

Permanent
Staff of Lord
Chancellor.
No. 408.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Army (Clothing Department), which was presented upon the 3rd day of this instant December, be printed.

Army
(Clothing
Department).
No. 409.

Mr. Jackson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Royal Commission on Horse Breeding.

Horse Breed-
ing (Royal
Commission.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 553, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland.

2. £. 61,698, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board in Ireland, including various Grants in Aid of Local Taxation.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,728, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Works in Ireland.

And, it being half after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [4th Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth]

That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,707, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in Dublin and London, and Subordinate Departments.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Libel Law
Amendment
Bill.

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Ordered.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Workmen (Woolwich.) The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861 and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870 or later that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 13th day of this instant December.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Sand Grouse Protection Bill. The Sand Grouse Protection Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Tribunals of Commerce Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tribunals of Commerce Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Continuation Schools) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 6th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, Public and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Petitions. Vide Twenty-first Report.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the Statistics of the Foreign Trade of Germany, with Report to the Board of Trade thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order, made upon the 6th day of August last, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Drunkenness on Sunday (Convictions); the Order, made upon the 13th day of November last, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and the Order made upon the 14th day of November last, That the said Return be printed, were severally read, and discharged.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return for England and Wales of the Total Number of Convictions in respect of such Offences under the following Enactments as involve Drunkenness: 3 and 4 Vic. cap. 97, sec. 13; 10 and 11 Vic. cap. 89, secs. 29 and 61; 35 and 36 Vic. cap. 94, sec. 12, committed (i.) after 12.30 (Noon) on Sundays during the three years ended the 31st day of December 1887; (ii.) at any other time, whether on Sundays before 12.30 (Noon) or on any Week-day during the same period, in the following Form:—

District, whether County, Borough, or other Area, having a separate Police Force.	Population (Census 1881) of such Police District.	Convictions for Offences committed.			Total.
		Year.	On Sundays after 12.30 (Noon).	At any other time, whether on Sundays before 12.30 (Noon) or on any Week-day.	
		1885			
		1886			
		1887			

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Criminal Law a Return containing Names of all Persons proceeded against under "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," from Whitsuntide to the 30th day of November 1888, &c. (in same form as, and in continuation of, Parliamentary Paper, No. 241, of Session 1888).

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Oaths Bill, Oaths Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill, without Amendment; and have made Consequential Amendments to the Bill; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for further promoting the Revision of the Statute Law by repealing Superfluous Expressions of Enactment, and Enactments which have ceased to be in force, or have become unnecessary;

necessary; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Adjournment. Mr. *Labouchere*, Member for the Borough of *Northampton*, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the unsatisfactory position of Public Business; but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.) A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 226.
Colonel *Walrond*;

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Eslemont*, } 117.
Dr. *Tanner*;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,728, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Works in *Ireland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by £. 800, part of the Salary of the Chief Engineer—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £. 2,010, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office in *Ireland*, and of the Keeper of State Papers in *Dublin*.

3. £. 4,747, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., and the Expenses of the Collection of Agricultural and other Statistics in *Ireland*.

4. £. 5,973, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of *Ireland*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,665 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 10,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, of Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in *Ireland*, including certain Allowances under the Act 15 & 16 Vic. c. 83;

Friday, 7th December, 1888;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Law Officers, be reduced by £. 500, part of the Salary of the Attorney General;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

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Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, } 76.
Mr. *J. Ellis*;

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 157.
Colonel *Walrond*;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply [5th December.] Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 553, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for *Ireland*.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 61,698, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board in *Ireland*, including various Grants in Aid of Local Taxation.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Universities Second Reading of the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of November last, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter districts of *Scotland* to the *British Colonies*; to examine the results of any such scheme which has received practical trial in recent years; and to report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Libel Law Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 3 to N° 6, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 7, amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of law as to conditions for presenting Bankruptcy Petition)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

Objection taken that proposed Clause required Instruction. And objection being taken that the Clause required an Instruction:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sand Grouse Protection Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sand Grouse Protection Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Short Title) added.
 Preamble agreed to.
 Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Leaseholders) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the state of things revealed in the Report of the Labour Correspondent of the Board of Trade in reference to the present condition of the Nailers and Small Chain Makers in South Staffordshire and East Worcestershire requires the attention of Parliament at the earliest possible period:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, Objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned till this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Three of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 7th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, Public and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twenty-first Report.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Forty-ninth Annual Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Drunkennes Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Drunkenness (Convictions) (England and Wales.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report by Dr. Page, one of the Medical Inspectors of the Local Government Board, into the circumstances of an Outbreak of Smallpox in Saint Joseph's Certified Industrial School for Roman Catholic Girls, Manchester.

Ordered,

Metropolitan
Streets Regu-
lation Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Maldstone
Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Maldstone*, in the room of *Alexander Henry Ross*, Esquire, deceased.

Employers'
Liability for
Injuries to
Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put
(pursuant to
S.O. Closure
of Debate.)

Mr. *Sydney Gedge* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Gedge*, } 189.
Yeas, { Mr. *Giles* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Broadhurst*, } 154.
Noes, { Mr. *Burt* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 8th December, 1888:

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, } 202.
Yeas, { Colonel *Walrond* :

Tellers for the { Mr. *Broadhurst*, } 141.
Noes, { Mr. *Burt* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Main Question
put.

Mr. *William Henry Smith* claimed, "That the Main Question be now put."

And the Main Question being put accordingly:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be adjourned till Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [6th
December.]

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Public Works
Office
(Ireland.)

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.13,728, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Works in *Ireland*.

Public Record
Office
(Ireland.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.2,010, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and

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Expenses of the Public Record Office in *Ireland*, and of the Keeper of State Papers in *Dublin*.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,747, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., and the Expenses of the Collection of Agricultural and other Statistics in *Ireland*.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.5,973, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of *Ireland*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory* (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant

December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration, as amended, in the Standing Committee); and which Amendment was, in p. 5, l. 25, to insert after the word "Parliament," the words "including stock, shares, or bonds, the dividends or interest on which are guaranteed under 'The Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883;'"

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to the said proposed Amendment, by inserting after the word "including," the words "with leave of the Court."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be inserted in the said proposed Amendment:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being One of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned till this day, and Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put till this day.

Saturday, 8th December, 1888.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions. SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twenty-first Report.

Army (Ordnance Factories.) No. 410.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Army (Ordnance Factories), which were presented upon the 3rd day of this instant December, be printed.

Drunkenness (Convictions) (England and Wales.) No. 391.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Drunkenness (Convictions), (England and Wales), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant December, be printed.

Egypt (No. 7, 1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting Affairs at Suakin.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Victuallers', Beerhouse, and other Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, the Renewal of which has been refused, in the year 1886 and Four preceding Years, by the Justices of the Peace in each Licensing District in England and Wales, showing in each case the ground of refusal, especially when such ground was, in any instance, that the Licence was not required; and showing also the Result of Appeal, if any.

Sitting of the House (Saturday.)

Ordered, That the Sitting of the House this day be held subject to the Rules and Orders in force with regard to the Sitting of the House on Wednesdays.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £.258,525, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Ahers-Douglas, Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: } 118.

Tellers for the { Mr. John O'Connor, Noes, { Mr. Sexton: } 77.

2. £.200, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland appointed for the Regulation of Endowed Schools.

3. £.881, to complete the Sum in Aid of the Royal Irish Academy.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.460, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in Aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in Ireland.

And, it being half after Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill, as amended) in the Standing Committee;

And which proposed Amendment was, in p. 5, l. 25, to insert, after the word "Parliament," the words "including stock, shares, or bonds, the dividends or interest on which are guaranteed under 'The Tramways and Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883;'"

And which Amendment to the proposed Amendment was, after the word "including," to insert the words "with leave of the Court;"

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be inserted in the said proposed Amendment:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Sand Grouse Protection Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Limited Partnerships Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of this instant December.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill;

Ordered, that the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (Ireland) Act (1887) Amendment (Leaseholders) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Nailers and Small Chain Makers.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant December, That the state of things revealed in the Report of the Labour Correspondent of the Board of Trade in reference to the present condition of the Nailers and Small Chain Makers in South Staffordshire and East Worcestershire requires the attention of Parliament at the earliest possible period;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill [Lords.] Bill 393.

The Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill. Bill 394.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Privilege (Service of a Summons on Mr. Sheehy in the Outer Lobby.) No. 411.

Mr. Secretary Matthews reported from the Select Committee on Privilege (Service of a Summons on Mr. Sheehy in the Outer Lobby); That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix; and the said Report was read, as follows:—

Your Committee have taken the Evidence of Mr. Sheehy, M.P., Serjeant Jeremiah Sullivan, Mr. John Lowndes, Mr. Ignatius R. B. Jennings, Mr. Andrew Reed, Mr. A. F. Williamson, Mr. Horsley, and Mr. Reginald F. D. Pulgrave, C.B., and report the Evidence so taken to the House. Your Committee are of opinion, upon such Evidence, that the action of Serjeant Sullivan was a breach of the Privileges of the House, inasmuch as it was an attempt to serve a summons upon a Member, within the precincts of the House, whilst the House was sitting, without the leave of the House first obtained. Under all the circumstances detailed in the Evidence, your Committee do not recommend the interposition of the House, by any proceedings against Serjeant Sullivan, inasmuch as your Committee are satisfied that he did not intend any violation of the Privileges of the House, and he had not received any special instructions with regard to the service he was directed to effect. Being directed to inquire into the circumstances attendant upon Sullivan's conduct, your Committee deem it right to report that in their opinion proper general instructions should have been issued to the Irish police as to the observance of due care and respect for your House in serving or executing process against Members within the precincts of the House. Your Committee have considered the letters from Mr. Leahy to Mr. Finucane and Mr. Sheehy referred to them, and are of opinion that it is unnecessary for them to inquire into the subject.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Report be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

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THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions. Vide Twenty-first Report.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Report on the Status of Aliens and Foreign Companies in the United States (in continuation of Commercial, No. 6, 1888).

Aliens and Foreign Companies (United States) (Commercial, No. 14, 1888.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jackson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 17th August 1888, declaring that James Wilkie was appointed a Clerk in the Exchequer Department, N. B., without the grant of a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tables showing the Estimated Total Produce, the Extent in Statute Acres, and the Estimated Average Yield per Acre of the principal Crops for the year 1888, in Great Britain; with Abstract Returns for the United Kingdom.

Agricultural Statistics (Great Britain.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of June last, for Returns relative to Companies.

Companies.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Revised Estimate of Charge for Ordnance Factories for the year 1888–9.

Ordnance Factories.) No. 412.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill. Bill 396.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill. Bill 395.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for assigning to Scotland and Ireland respectively certain Shares of the Probate Duties, and for providing for the Application of such Shares: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Arthur Balfour, and the Lord Advocate do prepare, and bring it in.

Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill for assigning to Scotland and Ireland respectively certain Shares of the Probate Duties, and for providing for the Application of such Shares: And the same was read the

Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Bill. Bill 397.

first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 176.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Labouchere, } 97.
Mr. William MacArthur:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 369,288, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Constabulary Force, *Ireland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 359,288, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Constabulary Force, *Ireland*;

After Debate thereon;

Chairman withholds his Assent, and declines then to put the Question.

Sir Henry Tyler rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed.

Mr. Arthur Balfour rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, "That the Question be now put:"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 166.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Richard Power, } 99.
Mr. Biggar:

Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. John Ellis, } 100.
Mr. Rowntree:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 169.
Colonel Walrond:

Mr. Arthur Balfour claimed, That the original Question be now put.

Original Question accordingly put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 369,288, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Constabulary Force, *Ireland*;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 182.
Colonel Walrond:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. John Ellis, } 110.
Mr. Rowntree:

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 35,750 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 3,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers, and of Magistrates in *Ireland*, and of the Revising Barristers of the City of *Dublin*;

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Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion by leave, withdrawn.

Original Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

2. £. 32,562, to complete the Sum for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature in *Ireland*, as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.

3. £. 585, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Admiralty Court Registry, *Ireland*.

4. £. 5,346, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office for the Registration of Deeds in *Ireland*.

5. £. 913, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses in the Office for the Registration of Judgments in *Ireland*.

6. £. 1,962, to complete the Sum for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the *Dundrum* Criminal Lunatic Asylum, *Ireland*.

7. £. 720, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National School Teachers' Superannuation Office, *Dublin*.

8. £. 1,401, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of *Ireland*, and for the purchase of Pictures.

9. £. 460, to complete the Sum in aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in *Ireland*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 658, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the support of certain Hospitals and Infirmarys in *Ireland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again,—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [8th December.] several Resolutions; which were read as follow;

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 258,525, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland*. (National Education *Ireland*.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Education in *Ireland* appointed for the Regulation of Endowed Schools. (Education *Ireland* Endowed Schools.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 881, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in aid of the Royal Irish Academy. (Royal Irish Academy.)

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The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Universities (Scotland) Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Scotch Crofters Emigration. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of last November,

That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter Districts of Scotland to the British Colonies; to examine the results of any such scheme which has received practical trial in recent years; and to report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further proceeding on consideration of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the further proceeding be resumed upon Thursday next.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of August last, That the Divisional Magistrates (Ireland) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill; and the same was twice read, and, with an Amendment thereto, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Libel Law Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the

Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill as amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Sand Grouse Protection Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1875, Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885, Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chapels (Clonmacnoise) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the Land Charges Registration and Searches Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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Ordered,

Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875," with reference to certain Societies now subject to the provisions of Section Thirty of that Act: And that Mr. Tomlinson, Sir Joseph Pease, Mr. Burt, Mr. Bradlaugh, Colonel Blundell, Mr. Wood, and Mr. Abraham (Rhondda) do prepare, and bring it in.

Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886. Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend "The Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886": And that Mr. Conybeare, Mr. M'Lagan, Mr. Handel Cossham, and Dr. Clark do prepare, and bring it in.

Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill.

Mr. Tomlinson presented a Bill to amend "The Friendly Societies Act, 1875," with reference to certain Societies now subject to the provisions of Section Thirty of that Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Bill 398.

Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886. Amendment Bill.

Mr. Conybeare presented a Bill to amend "The Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886": And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Bill 399.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 11th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twenty-first Report,

Colonial Possessions (Fiji.)

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 34, Fiji).

Colonial Possessions (British Honduras.)

Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 35, British Honduras).

Colonial Possessions (Mauritius, Seychelles, and Rodrigues.)

Copy of Report on the Blue Books for 1887 (No. 36, Mauritius, Seychelles, and Rodrigues (in continuation of [C. 5249] February 1888)).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Main Roads.

Mr. Ritchie presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of April, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return, showing the Names of the several Highway Districts, separate Highway Parishes, and Urban Sanitary Districts in England and North Wales, to the respective Authorities of which repayments have been made by the several County Authorities in respect of the maintenance of the Main Roads under "The Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878," for the year ended the 25th day of March 1886, together with the Amount paid to each such separate Authority.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture.

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Annual Report of the Agricultural Adviser to the Lords of the Committee of Council for Agriculture, 1888.

Royal College of Surgeons (Supplemental Charter.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of November last, for a Return relative

to the Royal College of Surgeons (Supplemental Charter).

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of this instant December, for a Police (Metropolis.) Return relative to the Police (Metropolis).

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Time Table of Examinations for 1889, made by the intermediate Education Board for Ireland, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

Copy of Order of the Secretary of State permitting a modification under "The Artizans' and Labourers' Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1882," in the Metropolis (Shelton Street, St. Giles) Improvement Scheme, 1886.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-third Quarterly Report of Inspection, by Major General Hutchinson, R.E., and Major Marindin, C.M.G., R.E., of the Works in progress for the Construction of the Bridge over the River Forth.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jasper More reported from the Select Committee on Corn Averages; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant December, the British and Irish Industry Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday, the 28th day of this instant December.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Suits instituted year by year from the date of the establishment of the Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes, first in that Court and subsequently in the Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division of the High Court of Justice (a) for Judicial Separation; (b) for Divorce. Such Return to distinguish between Suits by Husbands and Suits by Wives, and to state in how many cases the Suit was successful, in how many it was dismissed, and how many Suits never came to a hearing; to state also in how many cases the Queen's Proctor intervened or showed cause, and the Results of such Intervention or showing cause.

The Order of the day being read, for the Quarter Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill; *Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,247 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of

of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary for Scotland and Subordinate Offices:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by £. 1,000, part of the Salary of the Secretary for Scotland:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by £. 100, part of the Salary of the Secretary for Scotland; The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Anderson, }
Yeas, { Mr. Munro Ferguson: } 80.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, }
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } 112.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by £. 10, part of the Salary of the Secretary for Scotland;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, }
Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: } 127.

Tellers for the { Mr. Anderson, }
Noes, { Dr. Cameron: } 68.

Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Dr. Clark, }
Yeas, { Mr. Angus Sutherland: } 78.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, }
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } 134.

Original Question again proposed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer claimed, "That the Original Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question;

Debate resumed;

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,376, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in Exchequer, Scotland, of certain Officers in Scotland, and other Charges formerly on the Hereditary Revenue:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,476, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in Exchequer, Scotland, of certain Officers in Scotland, and other Charges formerly on the Hereditary Revenue:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Dr. Clark, }
Yeas, { Mr. Hunter: } 69.

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, }
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: } 166.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,427, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board in Scotland, and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays:

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Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by the Sum of £. 800, the Salary of the Chairman;

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [10th December.] Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 369,288, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Constabulary Force, Ireland.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,562, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland, as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 585, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Admiralty Court Registry, Ireland.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,346, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office for the Registration of Deeds in Ireland.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 913, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Office for the Registration of Judgments in Ireland.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,962, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Ireland.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 720, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National School Teachers' Superannuation Office, Dublin.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,401, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of Ireland, and for the purchase of Pictures.

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9. That

Question put
(pursuant to
S. O. Closure
of Debate.)

Chairman
withholds his
Assent, and
declines then
to put the
Original
Question.

Pauper Lunatics (Ireland.)

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 460, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in Ireland.

The First Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 369,288," and inserting "£. 364,288," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£. 369,288" stand part of the Resolution:— And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate)

Mr. Arthur Balfour rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put;"

The House divided

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left

Tellers for the (Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: } 141.

Tellers for the (Mr. Carew,

Noes, { Dr. Tanner: } 39.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That "£. 369,288" stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Yeas, { Colonel Walrond: } 141.

Tellers for the (Mr. Carew,

Noes, { Mr. Sexton: } 39.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of November last, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to

the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill as amended in the Standing Committee;)

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pharmacy Act (Ireland), 1876, Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 12th December, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions. Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Companies, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant December, be printed. No. 414.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Royal College of Surgeons (Supplemental Charter), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant December, be printed. No. 415.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Police (Metropolis), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant December, be printed. No. 416.

Mr. Ritchie presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of July last, for Returns relative to Metropolitan Water Companies.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the School Board for London (Pensions) Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant December. School Board for London (Pensions) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,427, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of

of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board in *Scotland*, and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,277, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board in *Scotland*, and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Macdonald Cameron, } 72.
Yeas, { Mr. Angus Sutherland: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 122.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £. 990, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Lunacy in *Scotland*.

3. £. 1,948, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., in *Scotland*.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,347, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Supervision for Relief of the Poor, and for Expenses under the Public Health and Vaccination Acts, including certain Grants in Aid of Local Taxation in *Scotland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 347, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Supervision for Relief of the Poor, and for Expenses under the Public Health and Vaccination Acts, including certain Grants in Aid of Local Taxation in *Scotland*;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Dr. Cameron, } 78.
Yeas, { Dr. Clark: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 181.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond, }

Original Question again proposed.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum not exceeding £. 2,347, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Supervision for Relief of the Poor, and for Expenses under the Public Health and Vaccination Acts, including certain Grants in Aid of Local Taxation in *Scotland*;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Hunter, } 89.
Yeas, { Mr. Angus Sutherland: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 178.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond: }

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,627, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and others, connected with Criminal Proceedings in *Scotland*, including certain Allowances under the Act 15 and 16 Vic. c. 83:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—put, and agreed to.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply [11th December.] Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,247 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary for *Scotland* and Subordinate Offices.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,376, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in Exchequer, *Scotland*, of certain Officers in *Scotland*, and other Charges formerly on the Hereditary Revenue.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 4) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:

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time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nonconformist Marriages (Attendance of Registrars) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parliamentary Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Seamen's Votes) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill. The Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886, Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886, Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Privilege (Service of a Summons on Mr. Sheehy, M.P., in the Outer Lobby.) *Ordered*, That the Report which, upon the 8th day of this instant December, was made from the Select Committee on Privilege (Service of a Summons on Mr. Sheehy, M.P., in the Outer Lobby), be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Speeches in Parliament Bill. *Ordered*, That the Speeches in Parliament Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Colchester Borough Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Colchester, in the room of Henry John Trotter, Esquire, deceased.

Public Accounts (Fourth Report) [Inquiry not completed.] No. 417. Sir John Lubbock reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had considered the Report of the Select Committee on Estimates Procedure (Grants of Supply), and had taken Evidence thereon, and directed him to report the same to the House, with a recommendation that the subject should be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts in the next Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 13th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Twenty-first Report.) SIR Charles Forster reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 28th, 29th and 30th days of November last, and the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th and 11th days of this instant December; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Metropolitan Water Companies, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant December, be printed. No. 418.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Blue Book for 1887 (No. 37, Ceylon).

Colonial Possessions (Ceylon.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir James Fergusson presented by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 444 and 445.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Ordered, That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Copies of Letters from Messrs. De la Rue and Co., dated the 9th and 21st November 1888, relating to their Contract with the Inland Revenue Department. Stamps and Postcards Contract. No. 419.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Accountant General of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland, in respect of the Funds of Suitors in the said Court in the year to the 30th September 1888, together with a Statement of Liabilities and Assets and particulars of Securities in Court on the 30th September 1888. Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland.) No. 420.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented the said Account.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Akers-Douglas,

Yeas, (Colonel Watford; } 146.

Tellers for the Mr. Labouchere,

Noes, (Mr. Lawson; } 63.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read for taking Privilege into consideration the Report which, upon the 8th day of this instant December, was made from the Select Committee on Privilege (Service of a Summons on Mr. Sheehy, M.P., in the Outer Lobby);

The House was moved, That the Report might be again read; and the same was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have taken the evidence of Mr. Sheehy, M.P., Serjeant Jeremiah Sullivan, Mr. John Lowndes, Mr. Ignatius R. B. Jennings, Mr. Andrew Reed, Mr. A. F. Williamson, Mr. Horsley, and Mr. Reginald F. D. Palgrave, C.B., and report the evidence so taken to the House. Your Committee are of opinion, upon such evidence, that the action of Serjeant Sullivan was a breach of the Privileges of the House, inasmuch as it was an attempt to serve

serve a summons upon a Member, within the precincts of the House, whilst the House was sitting, without the leave of the House first obtained. Under all the circumstances detailed in the evidence, your Committee do not recommend the interposition of the House, by any proceedings against Serjeant *Sullivan*, inasmuch as your Committee are satisfied that he did not intend any violation of the Privileges of the House, and he had not received any special instructions with regard to the service he was directed to effect. Being directed to inquire into the circumstances attendant upon *Sullivan's* conduct, your Committee deem it right to report that in their opinion proper general instructions should have been issued to the *Irish* police as to the observance of due care and respect for your House in serving or executing process against Members within the precincts of the House. Your Committee have considered the letters from Mr. *Leahy* to Mr. *Finucane* and Mr. *Sheehy* referred to them, and are of opinion that it is unnecessary for them to inquire into the subject.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Committee appointed to consider the attempted Service (together with attendant circumstances) of a Summons upon Mr. *Sheehy*, Member for *South Galway*, made in the Outer Lobby of the House;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the first word "House," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "do now proceed to the Orders of the Day," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Arnold Morley</i> ,	} 130.
Yeas,	Mr. <i>Cyril Flower</i> :	
Tellers for the	Mr. <i>Akers-Douglas</i> ,	} 182.
Noes,	Colonel <i>Walrond</i> :	

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "do now proceed to the Orders of the Day," be added, after the first word "House," in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House do now proceed to the Orders of the Day.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Sec. 1. £. 1,606,200, for the Expense of the Personnel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance.

2. Sec. 2. £. 923,500, for the Expense of the Materiel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance.

3. Sec. 3. £. 1,514,200, for the Expense of Contract Work for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance.

4. £. 11,500, for the Expense of Martial Law, &c.

5. £. 73,500, for the Expenses of Educational Services.

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6. £. 33,100, for the Expenses of Divine Service in Her Majesty's Fleet, Dockyards, and Naval Service generally.

7. £. 143,800, for the Expenses of the Royal Naval Reserve, Reserve of Retired Officers and Seamen and Marine Pensioners, and Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers.

8. £. 117,000, for the Expense of various Miscellaneous Effective Services.

9. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 212,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889;

Friday, 14th December, 1888:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 211,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day, at Two of the clock.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply [12th Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, December.] as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,427, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board in Scotland and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 990, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Lunacy in Scotland.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,948, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c. in Scotland.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,347, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Supervision for Relief of the Poor and for Expenses under the Public Health and Vaccination Acts, including certain Grants in Aid of Local Taxation in Scotland.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill.

P. 1, l. 5. In the title leave out "of towns,"
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Special Entry.

the first Amendment, being read a second time (and it appearing that the Amendment in the Title was for the purpose of making the same consistent with the Provisions contained in the Bill), was agreed to.

P. 2, l. 20, leave out from "shall" to "and," in l. 27, and insert "have received, in respect of matters within the jurisdiction of the Local Government Board, the approval of such Board, and in respect of other matters the approval of the Chief Secretary," the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

And, it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till this day.

Friday, 14th December, 1888.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Baron Henry De Worms presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of April last, for a Return relative to Temperance Legislation, *Scott Act, Canada*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Suits instituted year by year in *Scotland*; (a) for Judicial Separation; (b) for Divorces since the 1st day of January 1857. Such Return to distinguish between Suits by Husbands and Suits by Wives, and to State in how many Cases the Suit was successful, in how many Cases it was dismissed, and how many Suits never came to a Hearing; and in how many Cases the Lord Advocate intervened, and the Results of such Intervention.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return for the Calendar Year 1888, showing the Stoppage of Goods under the Merchandise Marks Act:—

Public Petitions.
Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.
Temperance Legislation, *Scott Act, Canada*.

Divorces (*Scotland*.)

Merchandise Marks Act (Stoppage of Goods.)

Total Number of Stoppages of Goods.	Number of entire Packages stopped in the case of Package Goods.	Description of other Goods, if any, not in Packages.	Number of Stoppages delivered as Imported.	Number of Stoppages delivered on certification or qualification of Marks without Fine.	Number of Stoppages delivered on certification or qualification of Marks with Fine.	Number of Instances in which Fines were imposed.	Number of Stoppages in which the Goods were seized.	Number of Stoppages in which Goods were entered.	In Transit, or for Transshipment.	For Home Consumption.

Stockton Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Stockton*, in the room of *Joseph Dodds*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of

Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

Resolved, That this House will sit To-morrow. Business of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 304,900, for the pay of Medical Establishments and Services, and the Cost of Medicines.

2. £. 555,000, for the Pay and Allowances (exclusive of Commissariat Allowances and Clothing) of a Force of Militia, not exceeding 136,445, including 30,000 Militia Reserve.

3. £. 76,000, for the Pay, Allowances, and Miscellaneous Expenses of the Yeomanry Cavalry.

4. £. 442,200, for the Pay, Allowances, &c. of a number of Army Reserve, First Class, not exceeding 52,000, and of the Army Reserve Second Class (including enrolled Pensioners).

5. £. 845,600, for the Clothing Establishments, Services, and Supplies.

6. £. 119,800, for Establishments for Military Education.

7. £. 68,600, for Miscellaneous Effective Services.

8. £. 257,900, for the Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office.

9. £. 17,200, for Rewards for Distinguished and Meritorious Services, and Rewards for Long Service and Good Conduct.

10. £74,400, for Half Pay, &c. of Field Marshals, and of General, Regimental, and Departmental Officers.

11. £. 1,196,200, for Retired Pay, Retired Full Pay, and Gratuities for Reduced and Retired Officers, including Payments awarded by the Army Purchase Commissioners.

12. £. 126,700, for Pensions and Gratuities to Widows, Relatives, &c. of Officers, for Allowances on the Compassionate List, and for the Relief Fund.

13. £14,700, for Pensions and Gratuities to Officers for Wounds, &c.

14. £. 31,300, for *Chelsea* and *Kilmainham* Hospitals and the In-Pensioners thereof.

15. £. 178,300, for Superannuation, Compensation, and Compassionate Allowances, and Gratuities.

16. £. 44,900, for Retired Allowances, &c. to Officers of the Militia, Yeomanry, and Volunteer Forces.

17. £. 38,000, for the Ordnance Factories (the productions of which will be charged to other Votes).

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee Supply [13th of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, December.] as follows:

1. Sec. 1. That a Sum, not exceeding shipbuilding, £. 1,606,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to Repairs, and defray the Expense of the Personnel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889. (Personnel.)

2. Sec. 2.

Shipbuilding,
Repairs, and
Maintenance
(Materiel.)

2. Sec. 2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 923,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Materiel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Shipbuilding,
Repairs, and
Maintenance
(Contract
Work.)

3. Sec. 3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,514,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Contract Work for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Martial Law,
&c.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Martial Law, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Educational
Services.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 73,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Educational Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Divine Service
(Navy.)

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 33,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Divine Service in Her Majesty's Fleet, Dockyards, and Naval Service generally, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Naval Reserve,
&c.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 143,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Royal Naval Reserve, Reserve of Retired Officers and Seamen and Marine Pensioners, and Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Miscellaneous
Effective
Services.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 117,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of various Miscellaneous Effective Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Admiralty
Office.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 212,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Quarter
Sessions Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Quarter Sessions Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Sale of Intoxi-
cating Liquors
on Sunday
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House is of opinion that it would be more conducive to the interests of temperance, and to the principle of local self-government, that the Question of Sunday Closing should be relegated to the decision of the inhabitants of the localities in which the public-houses are situated," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning.

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And the Question being put;
The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. James Stevenson, } 160.
Yeas, { Mr. Atkinson :

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 167.
Noes, { Mr. Bradlaugh :

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "this House is of opinion that it would be more conducive to the interests of temperance, and to the principle of local self-government, that the Question of Sunday Closing should be relegated to the decision of the inhabitants of the localities in which the public-houses are situated," be added to the word "That," in the Main Question;

Mr. Labouchere rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question;

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Labouchere, } 186.
Yeas, { Mr. Bradlaugh :

Tellers for the { Mr. John Talbot, } 128.
Noes, { Mr. Sydney Gedge :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House is of opinion that it would be more conducive to the interests of temperance, and to the principle of local self-government, that the Question of Sunday Closing should be relegated to the decision of the inhabitants of the localities in which the public-houses are situated.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for re-summing the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant December, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the Amendment in p. 2, l. 20, of the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for re-summing the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of November last,

That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the various schemes which have been proposed to facilitate Emigration from the Crofter districts of Scotland to the British Colonies; to examine the results of any such scheme which has received practical trial in recent years; and to report generally upon the means by, and the conditions under, which such Emigration can

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best be carried out, and the quarters to which it can most advantageously be directed;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on consideration of the Employers' Liability for Injuries to Workmen Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of November last, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill [Lords.]

The Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Solicitors Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Libel Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Sand Grouse Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Sand Grouse Protection Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886, Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Perpetuity Leases (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Streets Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection, be appointed to inquire into and report on the circumstances under which workmen entered in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and other Government Establishments, between the 17th day of December 1861 and the 4th day of June 1870, have hitherto been refused the benefit of "The Superannuation Act, 1859," and "The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1873," and subsequent Amendment Acts, and particularly whether it was in the year 1870 or later that they were for the first time informed that a War Office Circular of the 17th day of December 1861, had assumed to suspend "The Superannuation Act, 1859," so far as these men were concerned, and as to whether they are or ought to be within the benefits of the said Act of 1873;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant December, That the state of things revealed in the Report of the Labour Correspondent of the Board of Trade in reference to the present condition of the Nailers and Small Chain Makers in South Staffordshire and East Worcestershire requires the attention of Parliament at the earliest possible period;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

And it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, till this day.

Saturday, 15th December, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Temperance Legislation, Scott Act, Canada, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant December, be printed.

No. 421.

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Correspondence respecting the Expedition for the Relief of Emin Pasha, 1886-7.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 26,627, to complete the Sum, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and others, connected with Criminal Proceedings in *Scotland*, including certain Allowances under the Act 15 & 16 Vic. c. 83.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 33,357 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 1,850), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in *Scotland*, and other Legal Charges:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item E. be reduced by £. 500, part of the Charges of the Law Agent in *Scotland* for the Woods and Forests;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Fraser Macintosh, } 47.
Yeas, { Dr. Cameron :

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 79.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond :

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item E. (Charges of the Law Agent in *Scotland*), be reduced by £. 200, part of the Expenses allowed to the Sheriff of *Inverness-shire* — put, and agreed to.

Original Question, as amended, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 33,157 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 1,650), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in *Scotland*, and other Legal Charges — put, and agreed to.

3. £. 15,627, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

4. £. 2,831, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Establishment of the Crofters' Commission.

5. £. 237, to complete the Sum for certain Expenses connected with the Police in *Scotland*.

6. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 44,538, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for *Scotland*, and of the Prisons under their control, including the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics and the Preparation of Judicial Statistics:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 39,538, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for *Scotland*, and of the Prisons under their control, including the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics and the Preparation of Judicial Statistics;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Dr. Cameron, } 68.
Yeas, { Mr. Sinclair :

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 103.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond :

Original Question put, and agreed to.

7. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 188,322, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of

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payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Public Education in *Scotland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item C., Salaries, be reduced by £. 100;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the { Mr. Bolton, } 46.
Yeas, { Dr. Cameron :

Tellers for the { Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 81.
Noes, { Colonel Walrond :

Original Question put, and agreed to.

8. £. 10,325 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 300), to complete the Sum for Grants to *Scottish Universities*.

9. £. 100, to complete the Sum for the Annuity to the Board of Trustees of Manufactures in *Scotland*, in discharge of Equivalents under the Treaty of Union, to be applied in maintenance of the National Gallery, School of Art, and Museum of Antiquities, *Scotland*, and for the Exhibition of the *Torrie* Collection of Works of Art, and for other purposes.

10. £. 1,000, to complete the Sum in aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in *Scotland*.

11. £. 6,404, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Incidental Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries.

12. £. 3,311, to complete the Sum for certain Miscellaneous Expenses.

13. £. 7,000, Grant in Aid of the Expenses of the Royal Commission for the Exhibition at *Melbourne*, 1888.

14. £. 1,823, for the Repayment to the Civil Contingencies Fund of certain Miscellaneous Advances.

15. £. 33,230, as a Grant in Aid to make good the Amounts directed by the Act 51 and 52 Vic. c. 39. to be written off from the Assets of the Local Loans Fund.

16. £. 1,300 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Erection of a Laboratory for the Normal School of Science at *South Kensington*.

17. £. 500, as a Grant in Aid of the Cost of the Erection of a Memorial to the *British* Officers and Men who fell in the Battles of 1815.

18. £. 4,130 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Offices of the House of Commons.

19. £. 3,731 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for *England* and *Wales*, including the Endowed Schools Department.

20. £. 7,000 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Criminal Prosecutions at Assizes and Quarter Sessions, and for Adjudications under "The Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879."

21. £. 1,750, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Railway and Canal Commission.

22. £. 5,236 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of Revising Barristers in *England*.

23. £. 2,539 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the *British* Museum, including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum.

Resolutions to be reported.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Courtney* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [14th December.]

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Medical Establishments and Services.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 304,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Pay of Medical Establishments and Services, and the Cost of Medicines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Militia, and Militia Reserve.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 555,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Pay and Allowances (exclusive of Commissariat Allowances and Clothing) of a Force of Militia, not exceeding 136,445, including 30,000 Militia Reserve, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Yeomanry Cavalry.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 76,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Pay, Allowances, and Miscellaneous Expenses of the Yeomanry Cavalry, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Pay Allowances, &c. (Army Reserve.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 442,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Pay, Allowances, &c. of a Number of Army Reserve First Class, not exceeding 52,000, and of the Army Reserve Second Class (including enrolled Pensioners), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Clothing Establishments, Services, and Supplies.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 845,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Clothing Establishments, Services, and Supplies, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Military Education.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 119,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Establishments for Military Education, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Miscellaneous Effective Services.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 68,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Miscellaneous Effective Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Miscellaneous Salaries and Charges on the War Office.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 257,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Rewards for Distinguished Services.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Rewards for Distinguished and Meritorious Services, and Rewards for Long Service and Good Conduct, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Pay of General Officers, Half Pay, &c.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 74,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charges for Half Pay, &c. of Field Marshals, and of General, Regimental, and Departmental Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Retired Full Pay, &c.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,196,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Retired Pay, Retired Full Pay, and Gratuities for Reduced and Retired Officers, including Payments awarded by the Army Purchase Com-

missioners, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 126,700, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Pensions and Gratuities to Widows, Relatives, &c. of Officers, for Allowances on the Compassionate List, and for the Relief Fund, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Widows' Pensions.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,700, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Pensions and Gratuities to Officers for Wounds, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Pensions, for Wounds, &c.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 31,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for *Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals* and the In-Pensioners thereof, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals (In-Pensioners.)

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 178,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Superannuation, Compensation, and Compassionate Allowances, and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Superannuation Allowances.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 44,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charges for Retired Allowances, &c. to Officers of the Militia, Yeomanry, and Volunteer Forces, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Retired Allowances, Militia, Yeomanry, and Volunteer Forces.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 38,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Ordnance Factories (the productions of which will be charged to other Votes), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889.

Ordnance Factories.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee);

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sand Grouse Protection Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill;

Sand Grouse Protection Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue "The Employers' Liability Act, 1880:" And that Mr. Secretary *Matthews* and Mr. *Jackson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Employers' Liability Act, 1880 (Continuance.)

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented a Bill to continue "The Employers' Liability Act, 1880:" And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Employers' Liability Act, 1880 (Continuance) Bill. Bill 400.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 17th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public
Petitions.
Vide Supple-
ment to the
Twenty-first
Report.

Smallpox in
Saint Joseph's
Industrial
School,
Manchester.

No. 422.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ritchie presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Small-pox in Saint Joseph's Industrial School, Manchester.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Africa (No. 9,
1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Paper respecting the reported Capture of Emin Pasha and Mr. Stanley in Africa.

Africa (No. 10,
1888.)

Copy of further Correspondence respecting Germany and Zanzibar.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Statistical
Abstract
(Foreign
Countries.)

Sir Michael Hicks Beach presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Statistical Abstract for the Principal and other Foreign Countries in each year from 1877 to 1886-87 (as far as the Particulars can be stated). [Fifteenth Number.]

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Divisions of
the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Divisions of the House in the Session of 1888; stating the Subject of the Division, and the Number of Members in the Majority and Minority, Tellers included; also the Aggregate Number in the House on each Division; distinguishing the Divisions on Public Business from Private; and also the Number of Divisions before and after Midnight (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.113, of Session 1887).

Public
Petitions.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Public Petitions presented and printed in the Session of 1888; with the Total Number of Signatures in that year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.116, of Session 1887).

Select Com-
mittees.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Select Committees appointed in the Session of 1888, including the Standing Committees and the Court of Referees; the Subjects of Inquiry; the Names of the Members appointed to serve on each, and of the Chairman of each; the Number of Days each Committee met, and the Number of Days each Member attended; the Total Expense of the Attendance of Witnesses at each Select Committee, and the Name of the Member who moved for such Committee; also, the Total Number of Members who served on Select Committees (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.112, of Session 1887).

Sittings of the
House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Days on which the House sat in the Session of 1888, stating, for each Day the Date of the Month, and Day of the Week, the Hour of the Meeting, and the Hour of Adjournment; and the Total Number of Hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the Average Time; and showing the Number of Hours on which the House sat each day, and the Number of Hours after Midnight; and the Number of Entries in each Day's Votes and

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Proceedings (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.114, of Session 1887).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Public Bills, a Return of the Number of Public Bills, distinguishing Government from other Bills, introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, during the Session of 1888; showing the Number which received the Royal Assent; the Number which were passed by this House, but not by the House of Lords; the Number passed by the House of Lords but not by this House; and distinguishing the Stages at which such Bills as did not receive the Royal Assent were dropped or postponed and rejected in either House of Parliament (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.115, of Session 1887).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Private Bills, Returns of the Number of Private Bills introduced and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed in the Session of 1888, classed according to the following subjects:—Railways; Tramways; Subways; Canals and Navigations; Roads and Bridges; Water; Gas and Water; Lighting, and Improvement; Police and Sanitary Regulations; Ports, Piers, Harbours, and Docks; Churches, Chapels, and Burying Grounds; Estate; Divorce; and Miscellaneous:—Of all the Private Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, which, in the Session of 1888, have been treated as Opposed Bills; specifying those which have been Classified in Groups by the Committee of Selection, or by the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills; together with the Names of the Selected Members who served on each Committee; the first and also the last day of the Sitting of each Committee; the Number of Days on which each Committee sat; the Number of Days on which each Selected Member has served; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been proved; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; and in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Orders ought or ought not to be confirmed; the Bills referred back to the Committee of Selection, or to the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills, as having become unopposed, and the Bills withdrawn, or not proceeded with by the Parties:—And, of all Private Bills which, in the Session of 1888, have been referred by the Committee of Selection, or by the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills, to the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, together with the Names of the Members who served on each Committee; the Number of Days on which each Committee sat; and the Number of Days on which each Member attended (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.111, of Session 1887).

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of or Extracts from Correspondence relating to the relative position of Civil Engineers and of Officers of the Royal Engineers in the Public Works Department.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Savings and Deficiencies upon Navy and Army Grants for 1886-87, and the temporary sanction obtained from the Treasury by the Navy and Army Departments to the Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year.

Ordered, That the Appropriation Accounts for the Navy and Army Departments, which were presented upon the 24th and 15th days of February last, be referred to the Committee.

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Ordered

Sittings of
the House
(Exemption
from the
Standing
Order.)

Employers'
Liability Act,
1880 (Con-
tinuance) Bill.

Supply.

Ordered. That the Proceedings on Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House.

The Employers' Liability Act, 1880 (Continuance) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee).

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 46,260, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by £. 300, part of the Salary of the Agent in *Egypt*; After Debate thereon;

Mr. *Seton-Karr* rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put;" but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Debate resumed.

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Sir Wilfrid Lawson,	} 76.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Illingworth:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 165.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by £. 1,000, part of the Salary of the Envoy Extraordinary to the United States:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn;

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 49,433, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of the Consular Establishments Abroad, and for other Expenditure chargeable on the Consular Vote:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Salaries, &c., be reduced by £. 300, part of the Salaries of the Consul at *Nyassa* and the Vice Consul on the Mainland at *Zanzibar*:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A, Salaries, &c., be reduced by £. 100, part of the Salary of the Consul at *Old Calabar*;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Pictou,	} 50.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Labouchere:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 143.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

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Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £. 7,620 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 5,500), to complete the Sum for the Expenses of Various Services (other than Consular) in connection with the Suppression of the Slave Trade, and the Expenses of the Liberated African Department.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,005, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of

March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Three Representatives of Her Majesty's Government on the Council of Administration of the *Suez Canal Company*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A, Personal Remuneration, be reduced by £. 100, part of the Salary of the Non-Resident *British* Director:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,115, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in aid of Colonial Local Revenue, and for the Salaries and Allowances of Governors, &c., and for other Charges connected with the Colonies, including Expenses incurred under "The *Pacific Islanders* Protection Act, 1875:"

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item A 1, £. 1,300, for the *Sahmadoo* Mission, be omitted from the proposed Vote—put, and negatived.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item G, £. 1,800, the Salary of the Governor for *Western Australia*, be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the	{ Mr. Channing,	} 36.
Yeas,	{ Mr. Bradlaugh:	
Tellers for the	{ Mr. Akers-Douglas,	} 124.
Noes,	{ Colonel Walrond:	

Original Question put, and agreed to.

6. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,235, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Charges connected with the *Orange River* Territory, the *Transvaal*, *Zululand*, *Bechuanaland*, the Island of *Saint Helena*, and the High Commissioner for *South Africa*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item D 1, Salary of the High Commissioner of the *Cape of Good Hope*, be reduced by £. 100—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

7. £. 8,300, to complete the Sum for the Subsidy to Telegraph Companies, and for the Salary of the Official Director.

8. £. 26,000 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 25,000), to complete the Sum as a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of *Cyprus*.

9. £. 487,920, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs Department.

10. £. 1,057,629, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

11. £. 3,146,666, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office Services, the Expenses of Post Office Savings Banks, and Government Annuities and Insurances, and the Collection of the Post Office Revenue.

12. £. 291,500, to complete the Sum for the Expense of the Post Office Packet Service.

13. £. 636,856, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Working Expenses of the Post Office Telegraph Service.

Resolutions to be reported.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Courtney* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered. That the Report be received this day.

Mr.

Chairman
withholds his
assent, and
declines then
to put the
Question.

Mr. Courtney also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [15th
December.]

Criminal
Proceedings
(Scotland.)

Courts of Law
and Justice
(Scotland.)

General Regis-
ter House,
Edinburgh.

Crofters'
Commission
(Scotland.)

Police (Scot-
land.)

Prison Com-
missioners
(Scotland.)

Public
Education
(Scotland.)

Scottish
Universities.

Board of
Trustees of
Manufactures
(Scotland.)

Pauper Luna-
tics (Scotland.)

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.26,627, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and others, connected with Criminal Proceedings in Scotland, including certain Allowances under the Act 15 and 16 Vic. c. 83.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.33,157, (including a Supplementary Sum of £.1,650), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in Scotland, and other Legal Charges.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.15,627, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, Edinburgh.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.2,831, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Establishment of the Crofters' Commission.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £.237, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Expenses connected with the Police in Scotland.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £.44,538, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, and of the Prisons under their control, including the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics and the Preparation of Judicial Statistics.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £.188,322, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Public Education in Scotland.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £.10,325 (including a Supplementary Sum of £.300), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Grants to Scottish Universities.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £.100, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Annuity to the Board of Trustees of Manufactures in Scotland, in discharge of Equivalents under the Treaty of Union, to be applied in maintenance of the National Gallery, School of Art, and Museum of Antiquities, Scotland, and for the Exhibition of the Torrie Collection of Works of Art, and for other purposes.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £.1,000, be

granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in Scotland.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £.6,404, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Incidental Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £.3,311, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Miscellaneous Expenses.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £.7,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, as a Grant in Aid of the Expenses of the Royal Commission for the Exhibition at Melbourne, 1888.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £.1,823, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Repayment to the Civil Contingencies Fund of certain Miscellaneous Advances.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £.33,230, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, as a Grant in Aid to make good the Amounts directed by the Act 51 and 52 Vic. c. 39, to be written off from the Assets of the Local Loans Fund.

16. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.1,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the erection of a Laboratory for the Normal School of Science at South Kensington.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £.500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, as a Grant in Aid of the Cost of the erection of a Memorial to the British Officers and Men who fell in the Battles of 1815.

18. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.4,150, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Offices of the House of Commons.

19. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.3,731, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for England and Wales, including the Endowed Schools Department.

20. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.7,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for Criminal Prosecutions at Assizes and Quarter Sessions, and for Adjudications under "The Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879."

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £.1,750, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Railway and Canal Commission.

22. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.5,236, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of

Temporary
Commissions.

Miscellaneous
Expenses.

Melbourne
Exhibition,
1888.

Civil Con-
tingencies
Fund.

Local Loans
Fund.

Science and
Art Depart-
ment Build-
ings.

Waterloo
Memorial.

House of
Commons
Offices.

Charity
Commission.

Criminal
Prosecutions,
Sheriffs'
Expenses, &c.

Railway and
Canal Com-
mission.

Revising
Barristers
(England.)

	payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of Revising Barristers in <i>England</i> .	
British Museum.	23. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 2,539, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the <i>British Museum</i> , including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum. The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.	<i>Ordered</i> , That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill, to which this House hath disagreed:— And a Committee was appointed of Sir <i>A. Borthwick</i> , Mr. <i>Lawson</i> , Mr. Attorney General, Mr. <i>Kelly</i> , Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. <i>Sexton</i> , and the Lord Advocate:—And they are to withdraw immediately. <i>Ordered</i> , That Three be the Quorum.
Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Probate Duties (<i>Scotland and Ireland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee); <i>Ordered</i> , That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.
Ways and Means.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	
Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant December, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the Amendment in p. 2, l. 20, on consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Funds (<i>Ireland</i>) Bill; And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said adjourned Debate:— And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn. And the Lords' Amendment was agreed to. Then the subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, with an Amendment to one of them, were agreed to.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (<i>Ireland</i>) (re-committed) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Amendment be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.	The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill. (In the Committee.) CLAUSE, N° 1 (Exemption from provisions of Section 30 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, 38 & 39 Vic. c. 60, in certain cases). Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; And Objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.
Universities (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities (<i>Scotland</i>) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Order be discharged. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be withdrawn.	Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Solicitor General reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again. <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill [Lords.]	The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill. (In the Committee.) CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to. Schedule amended, and agreed to. Preamble agreed to. Bill, as amended, to be reported. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Solicitor General reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill. <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.	The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886, Amendment Bill; <i>Ordered</i> , That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Solicitors Bill [Lords.]	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	Mr. Attorney General reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Libel Law Amendment Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth: Clause A. Because the proposed Clause alters the whole Law of Libel and Slander in an important matter which cannot properly be dealt with in the present Bill. The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to. <i>Ordered</i> , That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.
Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.	The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the <i>Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory</i> (re-committed) Bill; <i>Resolved</i> , That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.	
Libel Law Amendment Bill.	The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill; and the same being twice read, several were agreed to; several were amended, and agreed to; and one was disagreed to.	

And

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Four of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 18th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.
Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.
Army (Organization of the Royal Artillery.)

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relative to Evidence given before the Committee on the Organization of the Royal Artillery.

Ordered, That the said said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Loyalty Islands (Expulsion of Rev. John Jones) (France, No. 3, 1888.)

Sir James Fergusson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return relative to Loyalty Islands (Expulsion of Rev. John Jones) (France, No. 3, 1888).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Local Taxation Returns (England.) No. 423.

Mr. Ritchie presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Part IV., containing Accounts of Metropolitan Vestries and District Boards, Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, Metropolitan Board of Works, Metropolitan Police and Corporation of London, 1886-87.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Arrears of Rent (Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented,—Return to Two Orders, dated respectively the 27th and 28th days of November last, for Returns relative to Arrears of Rent (Ireland).

Penal Servitude Acts (Conditional Licence.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Form of Licence, under the Penal Servitude Acts, containing special Conditions.

Polling Districts (Essex.)

Copy of Orders of the Court of Quarter Sessions, dated 24th September and 16th October 1888, altering the Polling Districts in the County of Essex.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Cattle (Places of Sale.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Methods of Selling and form of Market Prices quoted in the different Cattle Markets of the United Kingdom, specifying, as far as possible, the Number and Names of Towns where the Sale of Cattle by Weight, or Sales after Animals have been weighed, has taken place in the year 1888, and the Number of Animals weighed at each Place.

Government Stock.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing on the 1st day of January 1889 the Amount of Government Stocks, in the following Form:—

Denominations of Stock.	Amount held by Government Departments.	Amount held by the Public.	Total Amount of each Stock.
(1.) 2½ Per Cent. Consols (until 5th day of April 1903, thereafter 2½ per Cent. Consols) -			
(2.) 2½ per Cent. (redeemable in 1906) -			
(3.) 2½ per Cent. (redeemable in 1906) -			
(4.) 3 Per Cent. Consols -			
(5.) Reduced 3 Per Cent. -			
(6.) New 3½ Per Cent. (redeemable in 1894) -			
(7.) Local Loans Stock (redeemable in —) -			
Totals - -			

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Hydrophobia. a Return of the Cases of British Subjects treated for Hydrophobia or Rabies by M. Pasteur during the last Two Years.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by the Lords. one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendment made by the Lords to the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill, without Amendment, and have made a Consequential Amendment to the Bill; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Supply and Ways and Means, this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House, and the Proceedings on Ways and Means may be begun, though opposed, after Twelve o'clock.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 32,665 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 10,000), to complete the Sum, of Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in Ireland, including certain Allowances under the Act 15 & 16 Vic. c. 83.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 56,742, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the General Prisons Board in Ireland, and of the Prisons under their control; and of the Registration of Habitual Criminals;

Wednesday, 19th December, 1888:

Question put, and agreed to.

3. £. 62,218 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 62,206), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Irish Land Commission.

4. £. 3,647 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Incidental Expenses of the Court of Bankruptcy in Ireland.

5. £. 35,750 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 3,000), to complete the Sum for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers, and of Magistrates in Ireland, and of the Revising Barristers of the City of Dublin.

6. £. 51,733, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of Dublin.

7. £. 28,497, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Ireland.

8. £. 6,528, to complete the Sum in aid of the Expense of the Queen's Colleges in Ireland.

9. £. 658, to complete the Sum for the support of certain Hospital and Infirmaries in Ireland.

10. £. 1,499, to complete the Sum for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in Ireland.

11. £. 15,600 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 11,600), to complete the Sum for the Execution of certain Public Works in Ireland.

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12. £. 12, to complete the Sum for the Repayment of Moneys under the *Kilrush and Kilkee Railway, &c. Act, 1887.*

13. £. 1,742, for supplying Seed Potatoes to the Inhabitants of the Islands of *Arran*, and Islands in *Kilkeiran Bay*, County of *Galway*. Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Supply [17th December.]

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Embassies and Missions Abroad.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 46,260, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad.

Consular Establishments Abroad.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 49,433, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of the Consular Establishments Abroad, and for other Expenditure chargeable on the Consular Vote.

Suppression of the Slave Trade, &c.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,620 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 5,500), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of Various Services (other than Consular) in connection with the Suppression of the Slave Trade, and the Expenses of the Liberated *African* Department.

Suez Canal (Salaries and Expenses.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,005, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Three Representatives of Her Majesty's Government on the Council of Administration of the *Suez Canal Company*.

Colonies (Grants in Aid.)

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,115, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in aid of Colonial Local Revenue, and for the Salaries and Allowances of Governors, &c., and for other Charges connected with the Colonies, including Expenses incurred under "The *Pacific Islanders Protection Act, 1875.*"

Orange River Territory, &c.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,235, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Charges connected with the *Orange River Territory*, the *Transvaal*, *Zululand*, *Bechuanaland*, the Island of *Saint Helena*, and the High Commissioner for *South Africa*.

Telegraph Companies (Subsidy, &c.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Subsidy to Telegraph Companies, and for the Salary of the Official Director.

Island of Cyprus (Grant in Aid.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,000 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 25,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, as a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of *Cyprus*.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 487,920, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs Department.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,057,629, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,146,666, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office Services, the Expenses of Post Office Savings Banks, and Government Annuities and Insurances, and the Collection of the Post Office Revenue.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 291,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expense of the Post Office Packet Service.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 636,836, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Working Expenses of the Post Office Telegraph Service.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £. 20,984,191, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom. Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure, 1886-87.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1887, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz:

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 32,372 11 s. 9 d., as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 173,016 5 s. 8 d., as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Gross Actual Expenditure for the whole of the Navy Services fell short of the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 140,643 13 s. 11 d.;

(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of

£. 17,599

£. 17,599 13 s. 11 d., as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by £. 28,398 15 s. 11 d., as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Total Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Navy Services exceeded the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 10,799 2 s.;

(c.) That the resulting differences between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, viz.:

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses - - - -	176,213	9	3
Total Deficits - - - -	24,770	13	4

2. *Resolved*, That the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application, in reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Navy Services, of the whole of the Sums received in excess of the estimated Appropriations in Aid in respect of the same Services; and have also temporarily authorised the application of so much as might be necessary out of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services towards meeting the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Navy Services.

3. *Resolved*, That the application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Vote.	Navy Services, 1886-87, Votes.	Gross Expenditure.		Appropriations in Aid.	
		Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure.	Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure.	Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.	Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.
		1.	2.	3.	4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1 -	Wages, &c., to Seamen and Marines -	-	28,752 16 6	-	3,984 7 11
2 -	Victuals and Clothing for Seamen and Marines -	-	30,476 6 4	16,278 7 10	-
3 -	Admiralty Office -	178 4 9	-	-	8 4 3
4 -	Coast Guard Service and Royal Navy Reserves, &c. -	-	20,085 - 11	-	3 18 -
5 -	Scientific Branch -	-	1,029 17 8	-	3,370 5 9
6 -	Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad -	-	738 15 3	844 2 7	-
7 -	Victualling Yards at Home and Abroad -	332 - 10	-	-	24 2 -
8 -	Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad -	676 6 7	-	19 18 9	-
9 -	Marine Divisions -	-	133 6 6	31 10 4	-
10 -	Naval Stores -	13,197 - 11	-	-	2,120 18 2
11 -	Machinery and Ships built by Contract, &c. -	17,555 12 11	-	-	5,468 12 9
12 -	New Works, Buildings, Yard Machinery, and Repairs -	-	29,606 4 10	-	1,488 14 -
13 -	Medicines and Medical Stores -	-	7,137 13 11	854 16 1	-
14 -	Martial Law, &c. -	-	350 6 -	-	40 19 1
15 -	Miscellaneous Services -	-	6,692 6 3	-	531 1 11
16 -	Half Pay, &c. -	-	3,653 19 10	-	105 16 8
17 -	Military Pensions and Allowances -	-	9,619 18 9	-	209 12 10
18 -	Civil Pensions and Allowances -	-	5,361 14 10	70 18 4	-
19 -	Army Department (Conveyance of Troops) -	-	21,377 18 1	-	11,042 3 7
20 -	Amount written off as irrecoverable -	433 5 9	-	-	-
		32,372 11 9	173,016 5 8	17,599 13 11	28,398 15 11
		Total Surpluses, £. 161,442 15 11			

4. *Resolved*, That it appears by the Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1887, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.:

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 240,519. 8 s. 1 d., as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 357,148. 12 s. 4 d., as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Gross Expenditure for the whole of the Army Services fell short of the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 116,629 4 s. 3 d.;

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(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 149,479. 18 s. 2 d., as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 160,307. 18 s. 9 d., as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Army Services exceeded the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 10,828. - s. 7 d.;

(c.) That the resulting differences between the Exchequer Grants for Army Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, viz.:

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses - - - -	349,784	3	10
Total Deficits - - - -	222,326	19	-

5. *Resolved*, That the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application, in reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Army Services, of the whole of the Sums received in Excess of the Estimated Appropriations in Aid, in respect of the same Services, and have also temporarily authorised the application of so much as might be necessary out of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services towards meeting the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

6. *Resolved*, That the application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Vote.	Army Services, 1886-7, Votes.	Gross Expenditure.		Appropriations in Aid.	
		Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure.	Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure.	Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.	Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.
		1.	2.	3.	4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1	Pay of the General Staff, Regimental Pay, &c. -	-	47,682 2 9	72,250 3 10	-
2	Divine Service -	3,117 5 4	-	44 - -	-
3	Administration of Military Law -	-	1,027 14 2	-	361 3 4
4	Medical Establishments and Services -	-	9,014 15 2	-	2,621 7 8
5	Militia Pay and Allowances -	-	16,187 6 1	-	147 - 11
6	Yeomanry Cavalry Pay and Allowances -	89 18 10	-	-	5,178 - 6
7	Volunteer Corps Pay and Allowances -	4,076 7 -	-	-	37 8 -
8	Army Reserve Force Pay and Allowances -	-	38,852 8 8	-	2,486 3 2
9	Commissariat, Transport, and Ordnance Store Establishments -	37,626 7 7	-	-	759 1 7
10	Provisions, Forage, Fuel, Transport, and other Services -	-	161,157 3 5	-	65,035 6 8
11	Clothing Establishments, Services, and Supplies -	65,364 14 -	-	-	2,794 7 11
12	Supply, Manufacture, and Repair of Warlike and other Stores -	113,207 10 11	-	-	77,173 8 -
13	Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad -	-	543 1 -	-	388 19 2
14	Establishments for Military Education -	-	4,772 7 6	-	410 10 5
15	Miscellaneous Effective Services -	4,857 14 6	-	-	1,589 2 9
16	Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office -	3,558 4 5	-	16 1 4	-
17	Rewards for Distinguished Services -	-	1,452 4 5	381 9 3	-
18	Half Pay -	-	9,935 19 5	-	-
19	Retired Pay -	-	53,480 2 8	37,111 8 8	-
20	Widows' Pensions -	-	1,900 11 4	-	885 5 4
21	Pensions for Wounds -	-	680 15 4	-	490 13 4
22	Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals -	-	834 4 -	85 2 6	-
23	Out-Pensions -	6,758 14 7	-	39,572 15 7	-
24	Superannuation Allowances -	-	7,860 1 10	18 17 -	-
25	Militia, Yeomanry Cavalry, and Volunteer Corps, Retired Pay -	-	1,727 14 7	-	-
26	Amount written off as irrecoverable -	1,862 11 -	-	-	-
		240,519 8 1	357,148 12 4	149,479 18 2	160,307 18 9
		Total Surpluses, £. 116,629 4 3			
		Total Surpluses, 127,467 4 10			

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.
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Probate Duties
(Scotland and
Ireland) Bill.

The Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Augmentation
of Benefices
Act Amend-
ment Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of November last, That the Augmentation of Benefices Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Suffragans
Nomination
Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No 1 agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 2 (Other towns to be Sees for Suffragans, besides those named in 26 Hen. 8, c. 14).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

And, Objection being taken to further Proceedings, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Employers'
Liability Act,
1880 (Con-
tinuance) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Employers' Liability Act, 1880 (Continuance) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir John Gorst reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Statute Law
Revision
(No. 2) Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Solicitors Bill
[Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Waltham
Abbey Gun-
powder
Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liability of
Trustees Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Solicitors
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Solicitors (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Sale to Children) Act, 1886, Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Glasgow Bill to give effect to the Recommendations of the Glasgow Boundaries Commission: And that Mr. Baird, Dr. Cameron, Sir George Trevelyan, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Provand, Mr. James Campbell, Mr. Cameron Corbett, and Mr. Watt do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Baird accordingly presented a Bill to give effect to the Recommendations of the Glasgow Boundaries Commission: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the consequential Amendment made by the Lords to the Municipal Funds (Ireland) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 19th December, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public
Petitions.

Vide Supple-
ment to the
Twenty-first
Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Army (Organization of the Royal Artillery), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant December, be printed.

No. 424.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Arrears of Rent of Rent (Ireland), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant December, be printed.

No. 425.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of April last, for a Return relative to Royal Commissions.

No. 426.

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of July last, for Returns relative to Savings Banks.

No. 427.

Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of November last, for a Return relative to Brewers' Licences.

No. 428.

Mr. Jackson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account

No. 429.

count of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital in respect of Army Prize and Legacy Funds, for the year ended 31st March 1888; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Paupers
(England and
Wales.)
No. 430.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August last, for a Return relative to Paupers (*England and Wales*).

Local Taxation
Returns
(England.)
No. 431.

Mr. *Ritchie* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Part V., containing Accounts of Commissioners of Sewers, Drainage, Embankment, and Conservancy Boards, Salmon Fishery Boards, Church Rate, Harbour, Piers, and Docks, and School Boards.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Divisions of
the House.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Divisions of the House.

Public
Petitions.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Public Petitions.

Select Com-
mittees.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Select Committees.

Sittings of the
House.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to the Sittings of the House.

Public Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Public Bills.

Private Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant December, for Returns relative to Private Bills.

Ordered, That the said Returns be printed.

Bounties, &c.,
on Shipping.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the various *European* Countries giving Bounties and Subsidies for the construction or running of Ships, showing the Rate and Amount of such Bounties, with particulars as to the proportion in which they are distributed among the various Lines and Companies, and as to the Services maintained in respect of them.

Sweating
System.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on the Sweating System, with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Business of the
House
(Wednesday
Sittings)

Ordered, That the Standing Orders of the House relating to Wednesday Sittings be suspended this day.

Supply [18th
December.]

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:—

Criminal
Prosecutions
and other
Law Charges
(Ireland.)

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,665 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 10,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum
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necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, of Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in *Ireland*, including certain Allowances under the Act 15 and 16 Vic. c. 83.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 56,742, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of the General Prisons Board in *Ireland*, and of the Prisons under their control; and of the Registration of Habitual Criminals.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 62,218 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 62,206), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the *Irish Land Commission*.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,647 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and incidental Expenses of the Court of Bankruptcy in *Ireland*.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 35,750 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 3,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers, and of Magistrates in *Ireland*, and of the Revising Barristers of the City of *Dublin*.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 51,733, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of *Dublin*.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 28,497, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Expenses of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in *Ireland*.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,528, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, in Aid of the Expense of the Queen's Colleges in *Ireland*.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 658, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Support of certain Hospitals and Infirmarys in *Ireland*.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,499, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in *Ireland*.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,600 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 11,600), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum
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necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Execution of certain Public Works in *Ireland*.

Kilrush and Kilkee Railway, &c. Act, 1887 (Repayment of Moneys.)

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £.12, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for the Repayment of Moneys under the *Kilrush and Kilkee Railway, &c. Act, 1887*.

Seed Potatoes (Island of Arran, &c.)

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £.1,742, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, for supplying Seed Potatoes to the Inhabitants of the Islands of *Arran*, and Islands in *Kilkeiran Bay*, County of *Galway*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Navy and Army Expenditure, 1886-7.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure (1886-7), several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1887, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.:—

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 32,372. 11 s. 9 d., as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 173,016. 5 s. 8 d., as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule, so that the Gross Actual Expenditure for the whole of the Navy Services fell short of the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 140,643. 13 s. 11 d.;

(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 17,599. 13 s. 11 d., as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by £. 28,398. 15 s. 11 d., as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Total Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Navy Services exceeded the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 10,799. 2 s.;

(c.) That the resulting Differences between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, viz.:—

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses	176,213	9	3
Total Deficits	24,770	13	4

2. That the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application, in Reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Navy Services, of the whole of the Sums received in Excess of the Estimated Appropriations in Aid, in respect of the same Services; and have also temporarily authorised the Application of so much as might be necessary out of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services towards meeting the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Navy Services.

3. That the Application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Vote.	Navy Services, 1886-7. Votes.	Gross Expenditure.		Appropriations in Aid.	
		Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure.	Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure.	Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.	Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.
		1.	2.	3.	4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1 + -	Wages, &c. to Seamen and Marines	-	28,752 18 6	-	3,984 7 11
2 - -	Victuals and Clothing for Seamen and Marines	-	30,478 6 4	16,278 7 10	-
3 - -	Admiralty Office	178 4 9	-	-	8 4 3
4 - -	Coast Guard Service and Royal Navy Reserves, &c.	-	20,085 - 11	-	3 18 -
5 - -	Scientific Branch	-	1,029 17 8	-	3,370 5 9
6 - -	Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad	-	8,738 15 3	344 2 7	-
7 - -	Victualling Yards at Home and Abroad	332 - 10	-	-	24 2 -
8 - -	Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad	676 6 7	-	19 18 9	-
9 - -	Marine Divisions	-	133 6 6	31 10 4	-
10 { Sec. 1 Sec. 2	Naval Stores	13,197 - 11	-	-	2,120 18 2
	Machinery and Ships built by Contract, &c.	17,555 12 11	-	-	5,468 12 9
11 - -	New Works, Buildings, Yard Machinery, and Repairs	-	29,606 4 10	-	1,488 14 -
12 - -	Medicines and Medical Stores, &c.	-	7,137 13 11	854 16 1	-
13 - -	Martial Law, &c.	-	350 - -	-	40 10 1
14 - -	Miscellaneous Services	-	6,602 6 3	-	531 1 11
15 - -	Half Pay, &c.	-	3,633 19 10	-	105 15 8
16 { Sec. 1 Sec. 2	Military Pensions and Allowances	-	9,619 18 9	-	209 12 10
	Civil Pensions and Allow- ances	-	5,861 14 10	70 18 4	-
17 - -	Army Department (Con- veyance of Troops)	-	21,377 18 1	-	11,042 3 7
	Amount written off as ir- recoverable	433 5 9	-	-	-
		32,372 11 9	173,016 5 8	17,599 13 11	28,398 5 11
		Net Surplus, £. 140,643 13 11		Net Surplus, £. 10,799 2 -	
		Total Surpluses - £. 151,442 15 11			

4. That it appears by the Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1887, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.:—

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 240,519. 8 s. 1 d., as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 357,148. 12 s. 4 d., as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Gross Expenditure for the whole of the Army Services fell short of the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 116,629. 4 s. 3 d.;

(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 149,479. 18 s. 2 d., as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 160,307. 18 s. 9 d., as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Army Services exceeded the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 10,828. - s. 7 d.;

(c.) That the resulting Differences between the Exchequer Grants for Army Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, viz.:—

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses	349,784	3	10
Total Deficits	222,326	19	-

5. That the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the Application, in Reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Army Services, of the whole of the Sums received in Excess of the Estimated

Estimated Appropriations in Aid, in respect of the same Services, and have also temporarily authorised the Application of so much as might be necessary out of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services towards meeting the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

6. That the Application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Vote.	Army Services, 1886-7, Votes.	Gross Expenditure.		Appropriations in Aid.	
		Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure	Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure.	Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.	Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts.
		1.	2.	3.	4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1	Pay of the General Staff, Regimental Pay, &c.	-	47,682 2 9	72,250 3 10	-
2	Divine Service	8,117 5 4	-	44 - -	-
3	Administration of Military Law	-	1,027 14 2	-	361 3 4
4	Medical Establishments and Services	-	9,014 15 2	-	2,621 7 8
5	Militia Pay and Allowances	-	16,187 6 1	-	147 - 11
6	Yeomanry Cavalry Pay and Allowances	89 18 10	-	-	5,178 - 6
7	Volunteer Corps Pay and Allowances	4,076 7 -	-	-	37 8 -
8	Army Reserve Force Pay and Allowances	-	38,892 8 8	-	2,486 3 2
9	Commissariat, Transport, and Ordnance Store Establishments	87,626 7 7	-	-	759 1 7
10	Provisions, Forage, Fuel, Transport, and other Services	-	161,157 3 5	-	65,035 6 8
11	Clothing Establishments, Services, and Supplies	65,334 14 -	-	-	2,794 7 11
12	Supply, Manufacture, and Repair of Warlike and other Stores	113,207 10 11	-	-	77,178 8 -
13	Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad	-	543 1 -	-	388 10 2
14	Establishments for Military Education	-	4,772 7 6	-	410 10 5
15	Miscellaneous Effective Services	4,837 14 5	-	-	1,539 2 9
16	Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office	3,658 4 5	-	16 1 4	-
17	Rewards for Distinguished Services	-	1,452 4 5	381 9 3	-
18	Half Pay	-	9,935 19 5	-	-
19	Retired Pay	-	58,486 2 8	37,111 8 8	-
20	Widows' Pensions	-	1,400 11 4	-	885 5 4
21	Pensions for Wounds	-	686 15 4	-	498 13 4
22	Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals	-	834 4 -	85 1 6	-
23	Out-Pensions	6,758 14 7	-	30,572 15 7	-
24	Superannuation Allowances	-	7,860 1 10	18 17 -	-
25	Militia, Yeomanry Cavalry, and Volunteer Corps, Retired Pay	-	1,727 14 7	-	-
	Amount written off as irrecoverable	1,862 11 -	-	-	-
		240,519 8 1	857,148 12 4	149,479 18 2	160,307 18 9
		Net Surplus, £. 116,629 4 8		Net Surplus, £. 10,828 - 7	
		Total Surpluses - £. 127,457 4 10.			

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means.

Mr. Jackson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund.

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1889, the Sum of £. 20,984,191, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to apply a Sum, out of the Consolidated Fund, to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And that Mr. Courtney, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Jackson do prepare, and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

Mr. Jackson accordingly presented a Bill to apply a Sum, out of the Consolidated Fund, to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the

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same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Distribution in Scotland of share of probate duty grant).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 20, to leave out from the word "distributed," to the end of l. 24, in order to insert the words "in paying a Sum of Eighty-seven thousand pounds, in relief of Fees on Public Elementary Schools, in such proportions and manner as may be from time to time directed by the Secretary for Scotland and."

Question proposed, That the words "in paying a Sum of Thirty thousand pounds," stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 3 to N° 5, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Solicitors Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 5 to N° 10, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 11 and N° 12, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 13 to N° 18, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 19, amended, and agreed to.

A Clause added.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Suffragans' Nomination Bill [Lords.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Suffragans' Nomination Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Other towns to be Sees for Suffragans, besides those named in 26 Hen. 8, c. 14).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory* (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Liability of Trustees Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Liability of Trustees Bill (on consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee); and which Amendment was, in p. 5, l. 25, after the word "Parliament," to insert the words "including stock, shares, or bonds, the dividends or interest on which are guaranteed under 'The Tramways and Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883;'"

And which Amendment to the proposed Amendment was, after the word "including," to insert the words "with leave of the Court;"

And the Question being again proposed:—The Amendment to the proposed Amendment and the proposed Amendment were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of Clause 1:—The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Short Title, extent, and definition).

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Courtney reported, That the Committee had amended Clause 1 of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Exemption from provisions of Section 30 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, 38 & 39 Vic. c. 60, in certain cases).

Amendment proposed in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out from the word "the" to the word "which" in l. 6, in order to insert the words "where any society, by reason of its being constituted so as to receive contributions by means of collectors at a greater distance than ten miles from its registered office."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

Notice taken, that Forty Members were not present:—Committee counted; and Forty Members not being present, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the House being told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present; and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

Thursday, 20th December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.
Local Taxation Returns (England.)
No. 432.

Mr. Ritchie presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Part VI., containing Accounts of Highway Authorities in Rural Districts, Turnpike Trustees, *Isle of Wight* Highway Commissioners, and *South Wales* County Roads Boards, 1886-87.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Stanhope presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with Messrs. *Wilkinson* relative to the execution of their Contract with the War Office for the Manufacture of Sword Bayonets.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-second detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in *Scotland* (Abstracts of 1886).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* presented,—Return Cattle (Places to an Order, dated the 18th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Cattle (Places of Sale).)

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Board of Trade Rules under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, with respect to the Submission of Revised Classifications of Merchandise Traffic, and Revised Schedules of Maximum Rates, Tolls, Dues, and Terminal Charges applicable thereto, so far as regards Canals and Navigations made under or on which Tolls are levied by Authority of Parliament.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India
(Public Works
Department.) Sir John Gorst presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to *East India* (Public Works Department).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Supreme
Court. The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court, dated December 1888.

Labour
Statistics. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum explaining the Progress made in carrying out the Arrangements for Collecting and Publishing Statistics relating to Labour, as described in Return, No. 48, of Session 2, 1886.

No. 433.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Evictions
(London and
Suburbs.) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Warrants issued by Justices under the Act 1 and 2 Vic. c. 74, for Recovery of Possession of Tenements within the Metropolitan Police District during the Two Years ended September 30th, 1888, showing the Number of Cases in which Force was required to give effect to the Warrant; the Number of Cases in which such Force was resisted; and the Number of Cases in which such Tenant was re-admitted.

Kitchen and
Refreshment
Rooms (House
of Commons)
(Second
Report.) Mr. Sidney Herbert reported from the Select Committee on the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons); That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

No. 434.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Friendly
Societies Act,
1875, Amend-
ment (No. 4)
Bill. *Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill.

Solicitors Bill
[Lords.] The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Solicitors Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Consolidated
Fund (Appro-
priation) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words, "this House is unwilling to read this Bill a second time till it has better information of the intentions of Her Majesty's Government in regard to the *Soudan*."

The Soudan.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

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The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, } Mr. Akers-Douglas, } 83.
Colonel Walrond: }

Tellers for the Noes, } Sir George Campbell, } 49.
Sir Wilfrid Lawson: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire their concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read; and the first Amendment was disagreed to; and the second Amendment was agreed to, with Amendments; and the subsequent Amendments were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, to which this House hath disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Randell, Mr. Secretary Matthews, Mr. Illingworth, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Fisher:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waltham Abbey Gunpowder Factory* (re-committed) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Solicitor General reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as follows:—The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords, in p. 2, ls. 16 and 17, for the following Reason:

Because the possible re-opening of past transactions without limit of time, might occasion great inconvenience and danger. The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

And then the House adjourned till Tomorrow.

Friday, 21st December, 1888.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.

Cattle (Places of Sale.)
No. 435.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Cattle (Places of Sale), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant December, be printed.

Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888 (Canals and Navigations.)
No. 436.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888 (Canals and Navigations), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant December, be printed.

Hydrophobia.

Mr. Ritchie presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Hydrophobia.

Local Taxation Returns (England.)
No. 437.

Mr. Ritchie also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Local Taxation Returns (England), Part VII., containing Summary.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Local Taxation Returns (England) be printed.

Contracts with Foreigners.

Mr. Jackson presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of November last, for a Return relative to Contracts with Foreigners.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Agricultural Statistics (Ireland.)

Mr. Secretary Matthews presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tables showing the Extent in Statute Acres and the Produce of the Crops for the year 1888, with Observations of the District Inspectors of the Royal Irish Constabulary and of the Sergeants of the Metropolitan Police, who acted as Superintendents of the Agricultural Statistics.

Agriculture (France.)

Copy of Report on French Agricultural Schools, prepared for the Agricultural Department, Privy Council Office, by Major P. G. Craigie, 1888.

Explosions (Bristol Docks.)

Copy of Report to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the Circumstances attending the destruction by Explosion and Fire in the Bristol Docks, on the 21st November 1888, of the Petroleum laden Vessel "United," by Colonel V. D. Majendie, C.B., Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Explosives.

Historical Manuscripts (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Eleventh Report, Appendix, Part VII. (and last) (the MSS. of the Duke of Leeds and others); Twelfth Report, Appendix, Part II. (the MSS. of the Earl Cowper, K.G., Vol. 2); Twelfth Report, Appendix, Part IV. (the MSS. of the Duke of Rutland, G.C.B., Vol. 1).

Market Rights and Tolls (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Assistant Commissioners in England and Ireland respectively, to 31st October 1888, Vols. III. and IV.

Murders.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 1st day of August last, for a Return relative to Murders.

Glebe Lands Act, 1888.

Mr. Secretary Matthews also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parlia-

ment,—Copy of Rules under the Glebe Lands Act, 1888, with Forms made by the Land Commissioners and approved by the Lord Chancellor.

Copy of additional Rules made by the Lord Land Law Chancellor of Ireland, with the concurrence of the County Court Judges for Civil Bill Courts in Ireland, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of "The Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887."

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Baron Henry De Worms presented, by Her Colonial Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Special Commissioner for 1887, No. 38 (British New Guinea).
Colonial Possessions (British New Guinea.)

Copy of Reports on the Blue Books for 1884 and 1885, No. 39 (British Guiana).
Colonial Possessions (British Guiana.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of General Rules as to Administration Orders under Section 122, of "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883."

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in respect of each Urban Sanitary District in England having at the last Census not less than 100,000 Inhabitants, and in respect of each Parish or District in the Metropolis, the Number of Dwelling-houses reported in the year 1883, and in each subsequent year, by Medical Officers of Health as dangerous to health, so as to be unfit for Human Habitation, in accordance with the Provisions of the Artizans' Dwellings Acts, 1868—1882, to which Acts the Local Government Board called the attention of Local Authorities in 1883, urging them to direct their Medical Officers of Health to make a Return of all such places which appeared to them to come under the Provisions of these Acts. The Return further to show for each such District, and the Dwelling-houses reported on in each such year, the Number of Dwelling-houses for which Orders for repair or demolition were made by Local Authorities, the Number of Dwelling-houses for which these Orders were carried out, and the Number of Dwelling-houses concerning which a Memorial has been addressed to the Secretary of State or Local Government Board in accordance with the Provisions of the Artizans' and Labourers' Dwellings Act of 1868, to the effect that the Local Authority has declined or neglected to take proceedings to put the Act in force.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, with reference to Session 1888,—

- (1.) The Number of Sittings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at which Government Business had precedence;
- (2.) The Number of Sittings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at which Private Members had precedence;
- (3.) The Number of other Sittings at which, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, Government Business had precedence;
- (4.) The Number of Sittings at which Government Business had precedence under a Special Order of the House;
- (5.) The Number of Saturday Sittings;
- (6.) The Total Number of Sittings at which Government Business had precedence;
- (7.) The Total Number of Days on which the House sat;
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- (8.) The Total Number of Motions for Adjournment of the House on a matter of urgent public importance.

Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Children (Prevention) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 7, agreed to.

Schedule A. agreed to.

Schedule B.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That Schedule B. stand part of the Bill;

Member Suspended.

Dr. *Tanner*, Member for Mid-Cork, having been named by the Chairman as disregarding the authority of the Chair;

Motion made, and Question, That Dr. *Tanner* be suspended from the service of the House,—put, and agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair in order to report the said Resolution to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *John Gorst* reported, That Dr. *Tanner* had been named by him to the Committee as disregarding the authority of the Chair, and that the Committee had resolved that Dr. *Tanner* be suspended from the service of the House:

Whereupon a Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Dr. *Tanner* be suspended from the Service of the House:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then directed Dr. *Tanner* to withdraw.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That Schedule B. stand part of the Bill;

Question put, and agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *John Gorst* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, Amendment (No. 4) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Exemption from provisions of Section 30 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, 38 and 39 Vic. c. 60, in certain cases).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out from the beginning of the line to the word "which," in l. 6, in order to insert the words "where any Society, by reason of its being constituted so as to receive contributions by means of collectors at a greater distance than ten miles from its registered office."

Question again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

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Question put, and negatived.

Question proposed, That the words "where any Society, by reason of its being constituted so as to receive contributions by means of collectors at a greater distance than ten miles from its registered office," be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "any" to insert the word "friendly."

Question, That the word "Friendly" be inserted in the proposed Amendment,—put, and agreed to.

Question, That the words "where any Friendly Society, by reason of its being constituted so as to receive contributions by means of collectors at a greater distance than ten miles from its registered office," be inserted in p. 1, l. 5,—put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *John Gorst* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 21st day of this instant December, for Returns relative to Business of the House (Days occupied by Government and by Private Members).
Business of the House (Days occupied by Government and by Private Members.)
No. 438.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Saturday, 22nd December, 1888.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Supplement to the Twenty-first Report.

Special Commission Act, 1888.

A Petition of Messieurs *Soames, Edwards, and Jones*, of No. 58, *Lincoln's Inn Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Solicitors for *John Walter* and *George Edward Wright*, the Defendants in the Action of *O'Donnell* versus *Walter* and another, "mentioned in the above Act," was presented, and read; setting forth, that this Commission is pending in the High Court of Justice, Royal Courts of Justice, *Strand*, *London*, before Sir *James Hannen*, the Honourable Sir *John Charles Day*, and the Honourable Sir *Archibald Levin Smith*, the Commissioners appointed for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act, and that it will be necessary, on behalf of the said *John Walter* and *George Edward Wright* to produce before the said Commission the Test Rolls of the House for the years 1875 to 1888 inclusive; and praying that leave may be given to the proper Officer of the House to attend at the said Commission and produce the said Test Rolls, and to give such further evidence as may be necessary to further the ends of Justice.

A Motion was made; and the Question being

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put,

put, That leave be given to the proper Officer of the House to attend accordingly;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Kimber, } 54.
Yeas, { Mr. Gainsford Bruce: }

Tellers for the { Mr. Sexton, } 13.
Noes, { Mr. Phillips; }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer of the House to attend accordingly.

East India
(Public Works
Department.)
No. 439. Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Public Works Department), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant December, be printed.

Hydrophobia.
No. 440. Ordered, That the Return relative to *Hydrophobia*, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant December, be printed.

Murders.
No. 441. Ordered, That the Return relative to *Murders*, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant December, be printed.

Contracts with
Foreigners.
No. 442. Ordered, That the Return relative to *Contracts with Foreigners*, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant December, be printed.

Glebe Lands
Act, 1883.
No. 443. Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Glebe Lands Act, 1883*, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant December, be printed.

Naval Expendi-
ture.
No. 444. Lord *George Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of November last, for a Return relative to *Naval Expenditure*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade Reports
(Annual
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Sugar Bounties
Conference
(Commercial.
No. 15, 1888.) Sir *James Fergusson* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of November last, for a Return relative to the *Sugar Bounties Conference* (Commercial, No. 15, 1888).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial
Possessions
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Gold Coast. Copy of further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of the *Gold Coast* (in continuation of [C. 5357] April 1888).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

School Board
for London
(Pensions) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *School Board for London* (Pensions) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Land Court
(Ireland).
Estates. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Properties under the Control of the Land Court of *Ireland*, giving the Dates when each Property came under their Control, the Number of Tenants, and the present Gross Rentals of each Estate, where Receivers have been appointed; and showing

also when each Estate was last put up for Sale by the Court.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration.

And the said Amendment, being read a second time (and it appearing that the Amendment was for the purpose of carrying out the intentions of the Commons), was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Contract between *Muckae, Curtice, and Co., Limited*, and the Comptroller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office, for Preparing, Printing, and Publishing Reports of Debates and other Proceedings in both Houses of Parliament, to commence from the 1st day of January 1889.

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence respecting the Payment from Public Funds of certain Expenses incurred by Sheriff *Ivory* in connection with Actions brought against him by *Norman Stewart* and *John Beaton*.

Mr. *Jackson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 24th December, 1888.

THE House met at a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—List of the Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 1888, with a General Alphabetical Index thereto, 24th Parliament, 3rd Session, 51 and 52 Vic., 9th February to 24th December 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Sir *James Fergusson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relating to *North Borneo*.

Copy

United States
(No. 4, 1888.)

Copy of further Correspondence respecting the demand of the United States Government for the Recall of Lord *Sackville*. [In continuation of United States (No. 3, 1888).]

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Wheat and
Bread.
No. 449.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of November last, for a Return relative to Wheat and Bread.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Evictions
(London and
Suburbs.)
No. 450.

Mr. Secretary *Matthews* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Evictions (*London* and *Suburbs*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from
the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Consolidated
Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without Amendment.

Public Health
Acts Amend-
ment (Build-
ings in Streets)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Health Acts Amendment (Buildings in Streets) Bill, without Amendment.

Crofters'
Holdings
(Scotland)
Act (1886)
Amendment
(No. 4) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 4) Bill, without Amendment.

Sand Grouse
Protection
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Sand Grouse Protection Bill, without Amendment.

Employers'
Liability Act,
1880 (Con-
tinuance) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Employers' Liability Act, 1880 (Continuance) Bill, without Amendment.

Friendly
Societies Act,
1876, Amend-
ment (No. 4)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Friendly Societies Act, 1876, Amendment (No. 4) Bill, without Amendment.

Liability of
Trustees Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Liability of Trustees Bill, without Amendment.

Statute Law
Revision
(No. 2) Bill
[Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Solicitors
Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Solicitors Bill, without Amendment.

Sea Fisheries
Regulation
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill, without Amendment.

Libel Law
Amendment
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Libel Law Amendment Bill, without Amendment; and do not insist on their Amendment to the said Bill, to which this House hath disagreed.

Preferential
Payment of
Wages (No. 2)
Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Preferential Payment of Wages (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment; and do not insist on their Amendment to the said Bill, to which this House hath disagreed.

Sweating
System.

The Lords communicate, Copy of the Second Report, &c. of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament on the Sweating System, as desired by this House.

Sweating
System.
No. 448.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Sweating System, which was communicated from the Lords this day, be printed.

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A Message was delivered by Sir *James Drummond*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod: Royal Assent.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commissions, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commissions read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the Lords, thereby authorised, declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Appropriation Act, 1888.
2. Local Bankruptcy (*Ireland*) Act, 1888.
3. *Victoria* University Act, 1888.
4. Law of Distress and Small Debts (*Ireland*) Act, 1888.
5. Oaths Act, 1888.
6. Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1888.
7. Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Amendment Act, 1888.
8. Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act, 1888.
9. Land Charges Registration and Searches Act, 1888.
10. Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Act, 1888.
11. Borough Funds (*Ireland*) Act, 1888.
12. Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888.
13. Sand Grouse Protection Act, 1888.
14. Suffragans Nomination Act, 1888.
15. Statute Law Revision (No. 2) Act, 1888.
16. An Act to continue "The Employers' Liability Act, 1880."
17. Trustee Act, 1888.
18. Probate Duties (*Scotland* and *Ireland*) Act, 1888.
19. Crofters' Commission (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1888.
20. Solicitors Act, 1888.
21. Preferential Payments in Bankruptcy Act, 1888.
22. Law of Libel Amendment Act, 1888.
23. Friendly Societies, Act, 1888.

And afterwards, Her Majesty's Most Gracious Queen's Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor in pursuance of Her Majesty's Commands, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

I have great satisfaction in being able to release you from your protracted labours.

My relations with all Foreign Powers continue to be friendly.

I regret that the Convention which was concluded between Myself and the President of the United States for the adjustment of the questions which had arisen in reference to the Fisheries in *North American* Waters has not commended itself to the judgment of the Senate of the United States, in whom, according to the Constitution of that Country, the power of ratification is vested. The temporary arrangements, however, which have been adopted will, I trust, prevent any immediate inconvenience arising from this decision.

The Conference which has been held on the subject of Bounties upon the exportation of Sugar has been brought to a satisfactory issue by the conclusion of a Convention for their abolition, which has been signed by the Representatives

representatives of most of the sugar-producing Countries.

The restoration of *Egypt* to a condition of Political and Financial Security has been for the time interrupted by an attempt on the part of the *Soudanese* to possess themselves of the Port of *Suakin*. The dispersion of the besieging forces has been effected by a brilliant Military operation on the part of the *Egyptian* Troops, supported by a *British* Contingent. In other respects, the administrative and economical progress of *Egypt* has been satisfactory.

An insurrection has broken out upon the Continental portion of the Dominions of the Sultan of *Zanzibar*, which has brought with it considerable destruction of life and property in the *German* Settlements on that Coast. It is evident that the renewed vigour of the Slave Trade, of which symptoms have unhappily shown themselves in several parts of *Africa*, has largely contributed to the production of these disturbances. I have joined with the Emperor of *Germany* in establishing a Naval blockade of that part of the Coast which is in insurrection, in order to prevent not only the exportation of slaves, but also the importation of munitions of war.

My *Indian* Dominions have enjoyed general tranquillity and prosperity during the past year. Disturbances, however, have occurred in the neighbouring region of the *Black Mountain*, and on the extreme frontier of *Sikkim*; but they have been terminated without difficulty. A rebellion which broke out in *Afghanistan* under *Ishak Khan*, and which at one time threatened to assume formidable proportions, has been entirely subdued by the Military Forces of the *Ameer*.

A rising on the part of some *Zulu* Chiefs, which does not seem to have met with any sym-

pathy on the part of the population, has been suppressed by My Troops and the Native Levies; and the Chiefs concerned in it are awaiting their trial before a Special Commission.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I thank you for the liberal provision which you have made for the service of the State. I trust that the financial measures which you have sanctioned will materially increase the public resources of the Country, without adding to its fiscal burdens.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The measures which you have passed for extending the functions and improving the machinery of Local Government in *England* are calculated to increase the loyal attachment of My people to their institutions. I trust that you may be able now to promote the successful working of these changes in your several localities; and that in this and all other fields of duty the blessing of Almighty God may be with you.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parlia-
ment was read. Parliament
Prorogued.

After which the Lord Chancellor said;

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in Her Majesty's Name, and in obedience to Her Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Thursday the Thirty-first day of January next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the 31st day of January next.

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(*Notices of Motion*); Motion, That the Order of the Day for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses] have precedence this day of the Notices of Motion and other Orders of the Day; Amendment proposed, to leave out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House is not prepared to surrender this day to the Government, &c.;" Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—Debate arising; Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate) (*Mr. Labouchere*),

and Amendment, on Division, not made:—Order, That the Order of the Day for the Committee on Imperial Defence [Expenses] have precedence this day of the Notices of Motion and other Orders of the Day, 227.

(*Procedure on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill*); Motion, That at One o'clock a.m. on Friday 3rd August, if the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill be not previously reported from the Committee of the whole House, the Chairman shall put forthwith the Question, or Questions, on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair. He shall next proceed and successively put forthwith the Questions, That any Clause then under consideration, and each remaining Clause in the Bill, stand part of the Bill. After the Clauses are disposed of he shall forthwith report the Bill, as amended, to the House. From and after the passing of this Order no Motion, That the Chairman do leave the Chair, or do report Progress, shall be allowed; Amendment proposed and withdrawn; [Closure claimed (*Mr. Aird*), but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent]; another Amendment withdrawn; Main Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative:—Order, That at One o'clock a.m. on Friday 3rd August, if the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill be not previously reported from the Committee of the whole House, the Chairman shall put forthwith the Question, or Questions, on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair. He shall next proceed and successively put forthwith the Questions, That any Clause then under consideration, and each remaining Clause in the Bill, stand part of the Bill. After the Clauses are disposed of he shall forthwith report the Bill, as amended, to the House. From and after the passing of this Order no Motion, That the Chairman do leave the Chair, or do report Progress, shall be allowed, 420.

(*Morning Sittings*); Order, That whenever the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill shall be appointed for Tuesday or Friday the House shall meet at Two of the clock, 263.

(*Local Government (England and Wales) Bill*); Motion, whenever the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill is appointed for a Tuesday it shall have priority over all Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion, and that so much of the Order for Morning Sittings of the 7th of June as relates to Tuesday be rescinded; on Division, 333.

Motion, Standing Order No. 11, appointing the Committee of Supply to be the first Order of the Day on Fridays, be read and suspended, and that the Orders of the Day for the Second Reading of the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill and the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill have precedence of the Committee of Supply; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 153. Standing Order again suspended, 169.

Order, That whenever the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill shall be appointed for Tuesday or Friday the House shall meet at Two of the clock, 263.

Motion, That whenever the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill is appointed for a Tuesday, it shall have priority over all Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion, and that so much of the Order for Morning Sittings of the 7th June as relates to Tuesday be rescinded; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 333.

Order, That the Proceedings on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House," 405.

(*Public Meetings (Metropolis)*). Vide ORDERS of the DAY.

(*Supply*). Vide ORDERS of the DAY.

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— (Saturday); Order, That the Sitting of the House this day be held subject to the Rules and Orders in force with regard to the Sitting of the House on Wednesdays, 493, 502.

— (Saturday); Order, That the Sitting of the House, this day, be held subject to the Standing Orders that regulate the Sitting of the House on Wednesdays, 427, 455.

— (Saturday); Motion, That the Sitting of the House this day be held subject to the Rules and Orders in force with regard to the Sitting of the House on Wednesdays [Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order 27, relating to Disorderly Conduct, ordered Mr. Cuninghame Graham to withdraw immediately from the House and its precincts during the remainder of this day's sitting]:— Order, That the Sitting of the House this day be held subject to the Rules and Orders in force with regard to the Sitting of the House on Wednesdays, 493.

— (Wednesday); Order, That the Standing Orders of the House relating to Wednesday Sittings be suspended this day, 439.

— (Suspension of the Standing Order); Motion, That until the Government Orders are disposed of, so much of the Standing Order No. 1, Sittings of the House, as relates to the interruption of Business at midnight, the right of objection after midnight, and the adjournment of the House at One o'clock, be suspended this day and To-morrow; Amendment proposed to Question, by inserting, after the words "Government Orders," the words "and the Order for the Second Reading of the School Board for London Election Bill"; but, on Division, not made:— Order, That until the Government Orders are disposed of, so much of the Standing Order No. 1, Sittings of the House, as relates to the interruption of Business at Midnight, the right of objection after midnight, and the Adjournment of the House at One o'clock, be suspended this day and To-morrow, 443.

— (Exemption from or Suspension of the Standing Order); Order, That the Proceedings on the Motion relating to "The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887," if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House," 319.

— Motion, That the proceedings on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House"; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 414.

— Order, That the Proceedings on the Members of Parliament (Charges and Allegations) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House," 420, 435.

— Order, That the Proceedings on the Motion, for leave to introduce the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, "Sittings of the House," 478.

— Motion put, That the Proceedings on the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, "Sittings of the House"; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 482.

— Motion, That the Proceedings on the Land Purchase (Ireland) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House"; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 483, 486.

— Order, That the Proceedings on the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House," 405.

— Order, That the Proceedings of the Committee of Supply, if the Committee be sitting at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House," 424.

— Motion, That the Proceedings on the Committee of Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House;" and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 491, 494, 504, 510.

— Order, That the Proceedings on Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House," 518.

— Motion, That the Proceedings on Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House"; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 499.

— Order, That the Proceedings on Supply and Ways and Means, this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order "Sittings of the House," and the Proceedings on Ways and Means may be begun, though opposed, after Twelve o'clock, 521.

— Resolution, That this House will sit To-morrow (Saturday), 512.

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RULES OF PROCEDURE:

— Motion, That the consideration of the proposed Rules of Procedure have precedence of all Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion on every day on which the consideration of those Rules may be set down by the Government; Amendment proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting, after the second word "day," the words "except Wednesdays;" but, on Division, not made:— Order, That the consideration of the proposed Rules of Procedure have precedence of all Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion on every day on which the consideration of those Rules may be set down by the Government, 62.

— (1. *Sittings of the House*); Motion, That, unless the House otherwise order, the House shall meet every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, at Three of the clock, and shall, unless previously adjourned, sit till One of the clock a.m., when the Speaker shall adjourn the House without Question put, unless a Bill originating in Committee of Ways and Means, or unless proceedings made in pursuance of any Act of Parliament or Standing Order, or otherwise exempted from the operation of this Standing Order, be then under consideration. That at Eight of the clock the Speaker or Chairman, as the case may be, shall suspend the sitting by leaving the Chair until Nine of the clock. If, after the resumption of business, at Nine of the clock, and before a quarter-past Nine, notice be taken that Forty Members are not present, the Speaker or Chairman shall, unless Forty Members are sooner present, suspend the sitting until a quarter-past Nine, when he shall count the House or Committee. That at half an hour after midnight on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, except as aforesaid, and at half-past Five of the clock on Wednesdays, the proceedings on any business then under consideration shall be interrupted; and, if the House be in Committee, the Chairman shall leave the Chair, and make his report to the House; and if a Motion has been proposed

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posed for the Adjournment of the House, or of the Debate, or in Committee That the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, every such dilatory Motion shall lapse without Question put; and the business then under consideration, and any business subsequently appointed, shall be appointed for the next day on which the House shall sit, unless the Speaker ascertains by the preponderance of voices that a Majority of the House desires that such business should be deferred until a later day: Provided always, That on the interruption of business the Closure may be moved, and if moved, or if proceedings under the Closure Rule be then in progress, the Speaker or Chairman shall not leave the Chair until the Questions consequent thereon, as provided in the Rule "Closure of Debate," have been decided: That after the business under consideration at half-past Twelve and half-past Five respectively, has been disposed of, no opposed business shall be taken, and the Orders of the Day not disposed of at the close of the sitting shall stand for the next day on which the House shall sit: That a Motion may be made by a Minister of the Crown at the commencement of Public Business, to be decided without Amendment or Debate, to the following effect: "That the proceedings on any specified business, if under discussion at half-past Twelve this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order 'Sittings of the House.'" Provided always, That after any business exempted from the operation of this Resolution is disposed of, the remaining business of the sitting shall be dealt with according to the provisions applicable to business taken after half-past Twelve o'clock: Amendment proposed, in l. 1, by inserting after the words "otherwise order," the words "the Standing Orders relating to Wednesday sittings shall no longer apply to the sittings on Wednesday, but shall apply to the sittings on Friday, and the Standing Orders relating to Fridays shall no longer apply to the sittings on Friday, but shall apply to the sittings on Wednesday, and," but, on Division, not made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "at," the words "half-past"; but, on Division, not made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 3, by leaving out the word "One of the clock, a.m.," and inserting the words "half-past Eleven of the clock p.m.," and Withdrawn; another Amendment proposed, in l. 6, by inserting, after the word "exempted," the words "as hereinafter provided," and made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 7, by leaving out from the word "That" to the word "Committee," in l. 13, both inclusive, but not made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 16, by leaving out from the word "interrupted," to the word "day," in l. 25, inclusive, and inserting the words, "And the Question then under consideration shall be put, unless at the times before mentioned a Motion shall be made 'That the Debate be now adjourned,' which Motion shall be decided without Amendment or Debate. If such Motion be resolved in the Affirmative, the business under consideration shall stand adjourned until the next day on which the House shall sit. If the Motion be resolved in the Negative, the Question under consideration shall be put forthwith;" and Withdrawn; another Amendment proposed, in l. 23, by leaving out from the word "sit" to the word "day," in l. 25, inclusive; and Withdrawn; another Amendment proposed, in l. 29, by inserting after the word "thereon," the words "and on any further Motion," and made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 31, by leaving out the words "half-past"; and the Question being proposed, That the words "half-past" stand part of the Question, and made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 35, by leaving out the words "by a Minister of the Crown," Withdrawn; another Amendment proposed in l. 38, by leaving out the words "half-past," and made; another Amendment proposed in l. 43, by leaving out the words "half-past," and made; another Amendment proposed to add at the end of the Question, the words, "That whenever the House is in Committee at half-past Twelve of the clock a.m., the

Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means may, at the request of Mr. Speaker, take the Chair as Deputy Speaker, for the purpose of concluding the business of the sitting," Withdrawn; another Amendment proposed to add at the end of the Question the words, "That the Chairman of Ways and Means do take the Chair as Deputy Speaker when requested so to do by Mr. Speaker without any formal communication to the House. And that Mr. Speaker do nominate, at the commencement of every Session, a panel of not more than Five Members to act as temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means," and made; another Amendment proposed to the Main Question, as amended, by adding, at the end thereof the words, "That if, during the first quarter of an hour after the Speaker or Chairman has returned to the Chair, notice be taken that Forty Members are not present, the Speaker or Chairman shall, unless Forty Members are sooner present, suspend the sitting until the termination of the said quarter of an hour, when he shall count the House or the Committee," Withdrawn; Main Question, as amended, put:—*Resolution*, That unless the House otherwise order, the House shall meet every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, at Three of the clock, and shall, unless previously adjourned, sit till One of the clock, a.m., when the Speaker shall adjourn the House without Question first put, unless a Bill originating in Committee of Ways and Means, or unless proceedings made in pursuance of any Act of Parliament or Standing Order, or otherwise exempted, as hereinafter provided, from the operation of this Standing Order, be then under consideration. That at midnight on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, except as aforesaid, and at half-past Five of the clock on Wednesdays, the proceedings on any business then under consideration shall be interrupted; and, if the House be in Committee, the Chairman shall leave the Chair, and make his report to the House; and if a Motion has been proposed for the Adjournment of the House, or of the Debate, or in Committee that the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, every such dilatory Motion shall lapse without Question put; and the business then under consideration, and any business subsequently appointed, shall be appointed for the next day on which the House shall sit, unless the Speaker ascertains by the preponderance of voices that a Majority of the House desires that such business should be deferred until a later day. Provided always, That on the interruption of business the Closure may be moved, and if moved, or if proceedings under the Closure Rule be then in progress, the Speaker or Chairman shall not leave the Chair, until the Questions consequent thereon and on any further Motion, as provided in the Rule "Closure of Debate," have been decided. That after the business under consideration at Twelve, and half-past Five respectively, has been disposed of, no opposed business shall be taken; and the Orders of the Day not disposed of at the close of the sitting shall stand for the next day on which the House shall sit. That a Motion may be made by a Minister of the Crown at the commencement of Public Business, to be decided without Amendment or Debate, to the following effect: "That the proceedings on any specified business if under discussion at Twelve this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order 'Sittings of the House.'" Provided always, That after any business exempted from the operation of this Resolution is disposed of, the remaining business of the sitting shall be dealt with according to the provisions applicable to business taken after Twelve o'clock. Provided also, That the Chairman of Ways and Means do take the Chair as Deputy Speaker when requested so to do by Mr. Speaker without any formal communication to the House. And that Mr. Speaker do nominate, at the commencement of every Session, a panel of not more than Five Members to act as temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means, 63, 64.

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(II.—*Closure of Debate*); Motion, That Questions for the Closure of Debate under Standing Order XIV A. shall be decided in the Affirmative, if, when a Division be taken, it appears by the numbers declared from the Chair that not less than One Hundred Members voted in the Majority in support of the Motion; Amendment proposed at the end of the Question to add the words, "Provided always, that should the Question for the Closure of Debate be decided in the Negative, no similar Motion shall be made on the same Question until after the time of two hours has elapsed," and Withdrawn; Main Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative:—*Resolution*, That Questions for the Closure of Debate under Standing Order XIV A. shall be decided in the Affirmative, if, when a Division be taken, it appears by the numbers declared from the Chair that not less than One Hundred Members voted in the Majority in support of the Motion, 70.

(III.—*Disorderly Conduct*); Motion; That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman do order Members, whose conduct is grossly disorderly, to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of that day's sitting; and that the Serjeant-at-Arms do act on such orders as he may receive from the Chair, in pursuance of this Resolution. But if, on any occasion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman deems that his powers under this Standing Order are inadequate, he may name such Member or Members in pursuance of the Standing Order (Order in Debate), or he may call upon the House to adjudge upon the conduct of such Member or Members. Provided always, That Members who are ordered to withdraw under this Standing Order, or who are suspended from the service of the House under the Standing Order (Order in Debate), shall forthwith withdraw from the precincts of the House, subject, however, in the case of such suspended Members, to the proviso in that Standing Order regarding their service on Private Bill Committees; Amendment proposed, in l. 8, by leaving out from the words "(Order in Debate)," to the end of the Question; Question, That the words "or he may call upon the House to adjudge upon the conduct of such Member or Members. Provided always, That Members who are ordered to withdraw under this Standing Order, or who are suspended from the service of the House under the Standing Order (Order in Debate), shall," stand part of the Question; on Division, resolved in the Affirmative; another Amendment proposed, in l. 12, by inserting after the word "shall," the words "if Mr. Speaker or the Chairman so direct," but, on Division, not made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 13, by leaving out from the word "House," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "and shall, *ipso facto*, be exempted for the same period from service on Committees," and Withdrawn; Main Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative:—*Resolution*, That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman do order Members whose conduct is grossly disorderly to withdraw immediately from the House, during the remainder of that day's sitting; and that the Serjeant-at-Arms do act on such orders as he may receive from the Chair, in pursuance of this Resolution. But if, on any occasion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman deems that his powers under this Standing Order are inadequate, he may name such Member or Members in pursuance of the Standing Order (Order in Debate), or he may call upon the House to adjudge upon the conduct of such Member or Members. Provided always, That Members who are ordered to withdraw under this Standing Order, or who are suspended from the Service of the House under the Standing Order (Order in Debate), shall forthwith withdraw from the precincts of the House, subject, however, in the case of such suspended Members, to the proviso in that Standing Order regarding their service on Private Bill Committees, 71.

(IV.—*Irrelevance or Repetition*); Motion, That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman, after having called the attention of the House or of the Committee to the conduct

of a Member who persists in irrelevance or tedious repetition either of his own arguments, or of the arguments used by other Members in Debate, may direct him to discontinue his Speech; Amendment proposed to leave out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "if it shall appear to Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of Committees, that a Member is addressing the House with continued irrelevance, or tedious repetition, or that he is unduly and unnecessarily prolonging Debate and arresting the Progress of Public Business, Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of Committees, may so inform the House or the Committee. Thereupon any Member, rising in his place, may claim to move; That the Member in possession of the House be no longer heard. Such Motion shall be put forthwith without Amendment or Debate, unless the Member in possession of the House elects to discontinue his Speech, in which case he may so inform the Speaker, or Chairman of Committees, and the Question shall not be put. A Member who is put to silence under this Rule by order of the House or the Committee is thereby prevented, on the first occasion, from taking part in any Debate during the remainder of that sitting; on the second occasion during a week; and on the third, or any subsequent occasion, during a month from the time when such Order of the House, or of the Committee has been made"; Question, That the words "That Mr. Speaker or the Chairman, after having called the attention of the House or of the Committee to the conduct of a Member who persists in irrelevance or tedious repetition," stand part of the Question, resolved in the Affirmative; another Amendment, to leave out the word "either"; Question put, That the word "either" stand part of the Question; on Division, resolved in the Affirmative; Main Question put:—*Resolution*, That Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, after having called the attention of the House or of the Committee to the conduct of a Member who persists in irrelevance or tedious repetition either of his own arguments, or of the arguments used by other Members in Debate, may direct him to discontinue his Speech, 71.

(V.—*Motions for Adjournment in Abuse of the Rules of the House*); Motion, That, if Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of a Committee of the whole House, shall be of opinion that a Motion for the adjournment of a Debate, or of the House, during any Debate, or that the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, is an abuse of the Rules of the House, he may forthwith put the Question thereupon from the Chair, or he may decline to propose the Question thereupon to the House; Amendment proposed, in l. 6, by leaving out from the word "Chair," to the end of the Question; but, on Division, not made;—*Resolution*, That, if Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of a Committee of the whole House, shall be of opinion that a Motion for the Adjournment of a Debate, or of the House, during any Debate, or that the Chairman do report Progress, or do leave the Chair, is an abuse of the Rules of the House, he may forthwith put the Question thereupon from the Chair, or he may decline to propose the Question thereupon to the House, 71, 72.

(VI.—*Government Business*); *Resolution*, That, on days on which Government business has priority, the Government may arrange such Government business, whether Orders of the Day or Notices of Motions, in such order as they may think fit, 72.

(VII.—*Committees of the whole House*); *Resolution*, That whenever an Order of the Day is read for the House to resolve itself into Committee (not being a Committee to consider a Message from the Crown, or the Committee of Supply, or of Ways and Means), Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair without putting any Question, and the House shall thereupon resolve itself into such Committee, unless Notice of an Instruction thereto has been given, when such Instruction shall be first disposed of, 72.

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(VIII.—*Amendments on Report*); *Resolution*, That upon the Report stage of any Bill no Amendment may be proposed, which could not have been proposed in Committee without an Instruction from the House, 72.

(IX.—*Divisions*); Motion, That Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, at his discretion, take the Vote of the House or Committee, by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge his decision, successively to rise in their places; and he shall thereupon, as he thinks fit, either declare the determination of the House or Committee, or name Tellers for a Division; Amendment proposed to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it be in the discretion of Mr. Speaker or the Chairman to take the Vote of the House in the following manner:—He shall, on his decision being challenged, forthwith order the doors to be closed, whereupon he shall call upon the Members who support and who challenge his decision successively to rise in their places, and he shall proceed to count them one by one in an audible voice. At the conclusion of such count he shall declare the determination of the House or Committee"; Question proposed, That the words "Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, at his discretion, take the Vote of the House or Committee by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge, his decision, successively to rise in their places; and," stand part of the Question; Debate adjourned, 72,—

Debate resumed; proposed Amendment withdrawn; another Amendment proposed to insert, after the word "may," the words "after the lapse of two minutes as indicated by the sand-glass," and made; another Amendment proposed, in l. 1, to leave out the words, "at his discretion," and inserting the words "if in his opinion the Division is frivolously or vexatiously claimed," and made; another Amendment proposed to the Main Question, as amended, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "And, in case there is no Division, the Speaker or Chairman shall declare to the House, or the Committee, the number of the Minority who had challenged his decision, and their names shall be thereupon taken down in the House, and printed with the lists of Divisions, and made; Main Question, as amended, on Division, put:—*Resolution*, That Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman, may, after the lapse of two minutes as indicated by the sand-glass, if in his opinion the Division is frivolously or vexatiously claimed, take the Vote of the House or Committee, by calling upon the Members who support, and who challenge his decision, successively to rise in their places; and he shall thereupon, as he thinks fit, either declare the determination of the House or Committee, or name Tellers for a Division. And, in case there is no Division, the Speaker or Chairman shall declare to the House, or the Committee, the number of the Minority who had challenged his decision, and their names shall be thereupon taken down in the House, and printed with the lists of Divisions, 73, 74.

(X.—*Address in Answer to the Queen's Speech*); Motion, That the stages of Committee and Report on the Address to Her Majesty to convey the thanks of the House for Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, at the opening of the Session, be discontinued; Amendment proposed to leave out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words, "the Address to Her Majesty be restricted to a Motion conveying the thanks of the House for Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech, and promising the careful attention of the House to the subjects which Her Majesty has recommended to their consideration, and such Motion shall be put without Amendment not later than the third day of the Debate thereon, unless the House shall otherwise order"; and Withdrawn:—*Resolution*, That the stages of Committee and Report on the Address to Her Majesty to convey the thanks of the House for Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, at the opening of the Session, be discontinued, 74.

(XI.—*Public Bills*); Motion, That after Whitsuntide, Public Bills other than Government Bills, be arranged on the Order Book so as to give priority to the Bills most advanced, and that Lords' Amendments to Public Bills appointed to be considered, be placed first, to be followed by Third Readings, Considerations of Report, Bills in Progress in Committee, Bills appointed for Committee, and Second Readings; Amendment proposed after the first word "That," to insert the words "all Public Bills (other than Government Bills) introduced on or before the first Monday of the Session shall be set down in the Order Book for Second Reading in a list to be called 'The Second Reading List for Wednesdays up to Whitsuntide,' in an order to be determined by the number of signatures which shall have been subscribed to each such Bill at the close of the Sitting on the following Tuesday, each Member being entitled to subscribe his own name to three such Bills and no more; those Bills which have received most signatures being placed first, and the priority in the case of Bills which have received an equal number of signatures, being determined by lot, in a manner to be prescribed by Mr. Speaker; and that;" and Withdrawn:—*Resolution*, That after Whitsuntide, Public Bills other than Government Bills be arranged on the Order Book so as to give priority to the Bills most advanced, and that Lords' Amendments to Public Bills appointed to be considered, be placed first, to be followed by Third Readings, Considerations of Report, Bills in Progress in Committee, Bills appointed for Committee, and Second Readings, 74.

(XII.—*Bills relating to Religion and Trade*); *Resolution*, That the Standing Order of the 9th and 30th of April 1772, concerning Bills relating to Religion and Trade, be repealed, 75.

(XIII.—*Standing Committees*); Motion, That the Resolutions of the House of the 1st December 1882, relating to the Constitution and Proceedings of Standing Committees for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, and to Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures, be revived. Provided always, That the Committees shall consist of not more than Sixty nor less than Forty Members, subject to the Power of addition to the said Committees by the Committee of Selection, as provided by the said Resolutions; Amendment proposed to insert after the word "Shipping," the word "Agriculture," and Withdrawn; Main Question being again proposed; and it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned, 75,—

Debate resumed; another Amendment proposed, in l. 4, to insert, after the word "revived," the words "Provided, that 'Trade' shall include Agricultural and Fishing interests, and that those interests shall be entitled to due consideration in the constitution of such Standing Committee"; and Withdrawn; another Amendment proposed to insert after the word "Fishing," the words "and that Trade shall include Agriculture and Fishing," and made; another Amendment proposed to leave out from the word "Fishing" to the end of the Question, and made; another Amendment proposed at the end of the Main Question, as amended, by adding at the end thereof the words "That there be added another Standing Committee for the consideration of all Bills relating to Scotland only"; but, on Division, not made; Debate on Main Question at Midnight stood adjourned, 83,—

Debate resumed; another Amendment proposed to add at the end of the Question the words, "That there be another Grand Committee, similarly constituted, and subject to the same rules, the Members for Wales and Monmouthshire being Members of such Committee, for the consideration of all Bills relating to Wales which may, by order of the House in each case, be committed to it," but not made; another Amendment proposed to add at the end of the Question the words, "That there be another Committee, similarly constituted, and subject to the same Rules, for the consideration of all Questions of a Foreign

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or Colonial nature, and the ratification of Treaties with Foreign Powers," but not made:—*Resolution*, That the Resolutions of the House of the 1st December 1882 relating to the Constitution and Proceedings of Standing Committees for the Consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, and to Trade, Shipping, and Manufactures, be revived, and that Trade shall include Agriculture and Fishing, 84.

— Motion, That on Tuesdays and Fridays, and, if set down by the Government, on Mondays and Thursdays, Motions for leave to bring in Bills, and for the Nomination of Select Committees, may be set down for consideration at the commencement of Public Business. If such Motions be opposed, Mr. Speaker, after permitting, if he thinks fit, a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves and from the Member who opposes any such Motion respectively, shall put the Question thereon without further Debate; Amendment proposed to leave out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "Motions for leave to bring in Bills, and for the nomination of Standing and Select Committees, shall be exempted from the operation of the Resolution of 24th February 1888 (Sittings of the House)," and Withdrawn; another Amendment proposed to leave out from the word "respectively," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "may without further Debate put the Question thereon, or the Question, 'That the Debate be now adjourned,'" and made:—*Resolution*, That on Tuesdays and Fridays, and, if set down by the Government, on Mondays and Thursdays, Motions for leave to bring in Bills, and for the Nomination of Select Committees, may be set down for consideration at the commencement of Public Business. If such Motions be opposed, Mr. Speaker, after permitting, if he thinks fit, a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves and from the Member who opposes any such Motion respectively, may, without further Debate, put the Question thereon, or the Question, that the Debate be now adjourned, 84, 85.

— Resolutions of the House of the 30th day of April 1869 relative to the Business of the House (Morning Sittings at Two of the clock), read, as follows:

— That, unless the House shall otherwise order, whenever the House shall meet at Two o'clock, the House will proceed with Private Business, Petitions, Motions for unopposed Returns, and leave of absence to Members, giving Notices of Motions, Questions to Ministers, and such Orders of the Day as shall have been appointed for the Morning Sitting, 85.

— That on such days, if the business be not sooner disposed of, the House will suspend its sitting at Seven o'clock; and at Ten minutes before Seven o'clock, unless the House shall otherwise order, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Debate on any business then under discussion, or the Chairman shall report Progress, as the case may be, and no opposed business shall then be proceeded with, 85.

— That when such business has not been disposed of at Seven o'clock, unless the House shall otherwise order, Mr. Speaker (or the Chairman, in case the House shall be in Committee) do leave the Chair, and the House will resume its sitting at Nine o'clock, when the Orders of the Day not disposed of at the Morning Sitting, and any Motion which was under discussion at Ten minutes to Seven o'clock, shall be set down in the Order Book after the other Orders of the Day, 85.

— That, whenever the House shall be in Committee at Seven o'clock, the Chairman do report Progress when the House resumes its sitting, 85.

— *Resolved*, That the said Resolutions be Standing Orders of this House, 85.

— *Resolution*, That the House shall, unless previously adjourned, sit until One o'clock, a.m., when the

Speaker shall adjourn the House without Question put, unless a Bill or Proceeding exempted from the operation of Standing Order "Sittings of the House" be then under consideration. That the Business under discussion, and any Orders of the Day not disposed of at One o'clock, a.m., do stand for the next day on which the House shall sit, 85.

— *Resolution* of the House of the 31st day of May 1875, relative to the Withdrawal of Strangers, read as followeth:—That if at any sitting of the House, or in Committee, any Member shall take notice that Strangers are present, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman (as the case may be), shall forthwith put the Question, "That Strangers be ordered to withdraw," without permitting any Debate or Amendment: Provided that the Speaker, or the Chairman, may, whenever he thinks fit, order the withdrawal of Strangers from any part of the House:—*Resolution*, That the said Resolution be a Standing Order of this House, 85.

— *Resolution* of the House of the 12th day of March 1886, relative to Notices of Questions to Members to be in writing, read, as followeth:—That Notices of Questions be given by Members in writing to the Clerk at the Table, without reading them *viva voce* in the House, unless the consent of the Speaker to any particular Question has been previously obtained:—*Resolution*, That the said Resolution be a Standing Order of this House, 85.

— Standing Order XIV A. (Closure of Debate) read, and amended, by leaving out the first Proviso, in ls. 17 to 21 inclusive, 85.

— Standing Order XXI. (Notices on going into Committee of Supply) read, and amended by leaving out, in l. 1, the words "the first," and inserting the word "an," 85.

— Standing Order XXII. (Select Committees) read, and amended by leaving out, in ls. 1 and 2, the words "on Wednesdays and other Morning Sittings of the House"; another Amendment proposed to leave out the words "except while the House is at prayers," and Withdrawn, 85.

— Standing Order XXXVI. (Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion) read, and amended by leaving out the second word "Orders," and inserting the words "Business, whether Orders or Motions," 85.

— Standing Order XXXVIII. (Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion) read, and amended by inserting, in l. 3, after the word "Orders," the words "or Motions," 85.

— *Resolution*, That the Resolutions of this House of the 24th, 28th, and 29th days of February, and of the 7th day of March, relative to the Business of the House (Rules of Procedure), with the exception of Resolution No. XII., be Standing Orders of this House, 85.

— Motion, That Standing Orders Nos. III., IV., V. (Wednesday Sittings), VI., VII., VIII. (Morning Sittings), XI. (Debates on Motions for Adjournment), XIII. (Irrelevance or Repetition), XIV. (Putting the Question), XXXIX. (Dropped Orders), XLI. (The half-past Twelve o'clock Rule), and XLIV. (Divisions), be repealed; Amendment proposed to leave out "XLI. (The half-past Twelve o'clock Rule)"; and Withdrawn, 85, 86:—*Resolution*, That Standing Orders Nos. III., IV., V. (Wednesday Sittings), VI., VII., VIII. (Morning Sittings), XI. (Debates on Motions for Adjournment), XIII. (Irrelevance or Repetition), XIV. (Putting the Question), XXXIX. (Dropped Orders), XLI. (The half-past Twelve o'clock Rule), and XLIV. (Divisions), be repealed, 85, 86.

— *Order*, That the Standing Orders of this House relative to Public Business, as amended, be printed, 86.

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—*Order*, That the further consideration of the New Rules of Procedure be adjourned till Monday the 19th day of this instant March, 86. Said Order discharged, 87.

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— KITCHEN and REFRESHMENT ROOMS (*House of Commons*); Select Committee to control the Arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms, in the Department of the Serjeant-at-Arms; Appointed; Nominated; Five to be the Quorum, 32. Member discharged; another added, 41. Power to report Observations; Report, 443. Second Report, 529.

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— on the Vauxhall Park Bill, That they do provide that the purchase of the Park be not made until the opinion of the ratepayers of Lambeth has been taken on the desirability of such purchase, 166.

— on the Local Government (England and Wales) Electors Bill, That they have power to insert provisions in the Bill with a view to assimilate the qualification of electors of Guardians of the Poor, including the abolition of the plural vote, to the conditions prescribed in the Bill with regard to electors of county authorities; on Division, 197.

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mittee of Supply to be the first Order of the Day on Fridays, be read and suspended, and that the Orders of the Day for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Bill and the Local Government (*England and Wales*) Electors Bill have precedence of the Committee of Supply; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 153. Standing Order again suspended, 169.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (*England and Wales*) (*Shrievalty of Middlesex*); Motion for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of the sum payable by the City of London in respect of the Shrievalty of Middlesex, or of the amount which may be required for redeeming such sum, in pursuance of the provisions of any Act of the present Session relating to Local Government in England and Wales; Queen's Recommendation signified; Question agreed to, 395. Matter considered in Committee, 396. Resolution reported, and agreed to, 403.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (*Ireland*) PROVISIONAL ORDERS (*Ballymoney, &c.*); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to Ballymoney, Clones, and Tuam; Brought from the Lords; Read, and referred to the Examiners, 306. Report, That the Standing Order has been complied with; Day appointed for Second Reading, 312. Bill committed, 318. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 347. Bill passed, 349. (*Cited as Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (Ballymoney, Clones, and Tuam) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (*Ireland*) PROVISIONAL ORDERS (*Bangor and Warrenpoint*); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to Bangor and Warrenpoint; Brought from the Lords, 169. Read, and referred to the Examiners, 169. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 174. Bill committed, 178. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 262. Bill passed, 266. (*Cited as Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (Bangor and Warrenpoint Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 324.

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of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to Coleraine, Longford, and Tandragee; Brought from the Lords, 284. Read, and referred to the Examiners, 284. Report, That the Standing Order has been complied with; Day appointed for Second Reading, 291. Bill committed, 299. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Order confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 332. Bill passed, 336. (*Cited as Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (Coleraine, &c.) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 343.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Ireland) PROVISIONAL ORDER (*Dublin Markets*); Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to the providing of a Market Place for Vegetables and Fish, by the Urban Sanitary Authority of the City of Dublin; Brought from the Lords; Read, and referred to the Examiners, 271. Report, That the Standing Order has been complied with; Day appointed for Second Reading, 287. Bill committed, 292. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Order confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 332. Bill passed, 336. (*Cited as Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order Confirmation (Dublin Markets) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 343.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Ireland) PROVISIONAL ORDER (*Kilrush and Cappoquin*); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Order of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to Kilrush and Cappoquin; Ordered, 476.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 2); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Local Government District of Alfreton, the Borough of Cardiff, the Local Government Districts of Leadgate and Llanfrechfa Upper, the Port of Lowestoft, the Local Government Districts of Oswaldtwistle, and South Gosforth, and the Improvement Act District of Spalding; Ordered, 162. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 163. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 186. Bill committed, 190. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 217. Bill passed, 220. Agreed to by the Lords, 293. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 324.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 3); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of Bideford, Burton-upon-Trent, and Stratford-upon-Avon, and the Improvement Act District of Milford; Ordered, 201. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 202. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 219. Bill committed, 225. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 262. Bill passed, 266. Agreed to by the Lords, 319. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 325.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 4); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Govern-

ment Board relating to the Boroughs of Birkenhead and Stockton-on-Tees, the Local Government Districts of Cleckheaton, Pickering, Rawmarsh, and Wallasey, and the Wirral Joint Hospital District; Ordered, 201. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 202. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 225. Bill committed, 230. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 262. Bill passed, 266. Agreed to by the Lords, 319. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 325.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 5); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of Devonport, Okehampton, Ramsgate, and Sandwich, the Local Government Districts of Crumpsall and Royton, and the Richmond Main Sewerage District; Ordered; presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 230. Report, That the Standing Order has been complied with; Day appointed for Second Reading, 239. Bill committed, 244. Reported; one Provisional Order not confirmed; remaining Provisional Orders confirmed; Title amended; Day appointed for consideration, as amended, 322. Bill considered, as amended, 323. Passed, 328. Agreed to by the Lords, 375. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 6); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Borough of Brighton and Town of Hove, the Darent Valley Main Sewerage District, and the Local Government Districts of East Barnet Valley, Friern Barnet, and Herne Bay; Ordered; presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 230. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 239. Bill committed, 244. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 313. Bill passed, 318. Agreed to by the Lords, 355. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 7); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of Blackpool and Wigan, the Rural Sanitary District of the Chesterfield Union, and the Local Government District of Tredegar; Ordered, 230. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 231. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 239. Bill committed, 244. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 275. Bill passed, 279. By the Lords, with Amendments, 355. Day appointed for considering them, 357. Lords' Amendments agreed to, 359. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 8); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of Aberystwith and Leeds, the Hartlepool Joint Hospital District, the Improvement Act District of Lytham, and the Local Government District of Normanby, Openshaw, and Oswaldtwistle; Ordered; presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 238. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 247. Bill committed, 254. Reported; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for consideration, as amended, 306. Considered as amended; Passed, 309. By the Lords, with Amendments; Day appointed for considering them, 375. Lords' Amendments agreed to, 378. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 8) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 10); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the City of Bath, the District of Bilston, the Local Government District of Saint Thomas-the-Apostle, and the Borough of Stoke-upon-Trent; Ordered, 244. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 245. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 269. Bill committed, 276. Reported, without Amendment; Day appointed for Third Reading, 306. Bill passed, 309. By the Lords, with Amendments; Day appointed for considering them, 375. Lords' Amendments agreed to, 379. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 10) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (No. 11); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of Bolton, Heywood, and Kingston-upon-Hull, and the Local Government District of Leigh; Ordered, 244. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 245. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 269. Bill committed, 276. Reported, without Amendment; Day appointed for Third Reading, 306. Bill passed, 309. By the Lords, with Amendments; Day appointed for considering them, 371. Lords' Amendments agreed to, 374. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDER (No. 12); Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board, relating to the Improvement Act District of Bingley; Ordered; presented accordingly; read, and referred to the Examiners, 258. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 283. Bill committed, 288. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Order confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 313. Bill passed, 318. Agreed to by the Lords, 355. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 12) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDER (No. 13); Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the Borough of Wolverhampton; Ordered; presented accordingly; read, and referred to the Examiners, 267. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 283. Bill committed, 288. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Order confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 343. Bill passed, 346. By the Lords, with Amendments, 410. Day appointed for considering them, 410. Lords' Amendments agreed to, 413. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 13) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 435.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (Gas); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board, under the Provisions of "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," and "The Public Health Act, 1875," relating to the Local Government District of Croston and the Borough of Wilton; Ordered, 201. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 202. Report, That the Standing Order has been com-

plied with; Day appointed for Second Reading, 219. Bill committed, 225. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 262. Bill passed, 266. By the Lords, with Amendments, 371. Day appointed for considering them, 371. Lords' Amendments agreed to, 374. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation Gas Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 393.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDER (Highways); Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board under "The Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878," relating to the Counties of Durham, Hertford, and Westmoreland; Ordered, 215. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 216. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 239. Bill committed, 244. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 276. Bill passed, 279. Agreed to by the Lords, 332. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Highways) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 343.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (Poor Law); Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board, under the Provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Asheldham, Black Notley, Bradwell-near-Coggeshall, Cressing, Dengie, Fairstead, Feering, Goldhanger, Great Coggeshall, Great Totham, Kelvedon, Langford, Little Coggeshall, Little Totham, Mayland, Pattiswicke, Purleigh, Rivenhall, Saint Lawrence, Saint Mary's, Saint Peter's, Southminster, Steeple, Stisted, Stow Maries, Terling, Tollesbury, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Tolleshunt Knights, Tolleshunt Major, Ulting, White Notley, and Wickham Bishop; Ordered, 162. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 163. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 185. Bill committed, 190. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 217. Bill passed, 220. Agreed to by the Lords, 293. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 324.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (Poor Law) (No. 2); Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Townships of Foston, Heslerton West, Ideridgehay-and-Alton, Ireton Wood, Kirk Ireton, Scamston, Thornton-le-Clay, Thorp Bassett, and Yedingham; Ordered, 163. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 163. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 183. Bill committed, 186. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 217. Bill passed, 220. Agreed to by the Lords, 293. (Cited as *Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 2) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 324.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (Poor Law) (No. 3); Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Barnston, Bowers Gifford, Corringham, Downham, Dunton, Fobbing, Great Bardfield, Great Dunmow, High Easter, High Roothing, Laindon (two), Langdon Hills, Lee Chapel, Little Bardfield, Little Warley, Nevendon, Pitsea, Ramsden Bell House, and Vange; Ordered, 163. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 163. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; and Day appointed for Second Reading, 185. Bill committed, 190. Reported, without

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without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 217. Bill passed, 220. Agreed to by the Lords, 293. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 324.

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(No. 4); Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Aberffraw, Ceidio, Edeyrn, Llandogged, Llandudwen, Llangadwaladr, Llanrhychwyn, Nevin, Trefriew, and Tydweiliog, and to the Townships of Llanrwst and Tre-Gwydir; Ordered, 163. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 163. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 183. Bill committed, 186. Reported, Provisional Orders confirmed [Title amended]; Day appointed for consideration, as amended, 217. Bill considered, as amended; Day appointed for Third Reading, 220. Bill passed, 225. Agreed to by the Lords, 293. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 4) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 324.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (*Poor Law*)

(No. 5); Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Avington, Berstead, Brixton, Brook, Calbourne, Easton, Gatcombe, Itchen Abbas, Itchen Stoke, King-ton, Saint Nicholas, Shalfleet, Shorwell, Thornham, and Wootton; Ordered, 163. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 164. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; and Day appointed for Second Reading, 185. Bill committed, 190. Reported; Provisional Orders confirmed [Title amended]; Day appointed for consideration, as amended, 217. Bill considered, as amended; Day appointed for Third Reading, 220. Bill passed, 225. Agreed to by the Lords, 293. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) (No. 5) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 324.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONAL ORDERS (*Poor Law*)

(No. 6); Bill to confirm certain Orders of the Local Government Board under the Provisions of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," as amended and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parishes of Aldham, Barford-Saint-Michael, Birch, Chappel, Copford, Deddington, East Donyland, Easthorpe, Fingringhoe, Fordham, Fryerning, Great Tey, Great Wigborough, Ingatestone, Inworth, Layer-Bretton, Layer-de-la-Hay, Layer-Marney, Little Horksley, Little Tey, Little Wigborough, Marks Tey, Messing, Mount Bures, Peldon, Virley, Wakes Colne, West Bergholt, and Wormingford; Ordered, 201. Presented; read, and referred to the Examiners, 202. Report, That no Standing Orders are applicable; Day appointed for Second Reading, 219. Bill committed, 225. Reported, without Amendment; Provisional Orders confirmed; Day appointed for Third Reading, 262. Bill passed, 266. Agreed to by the Lords, 319. (*Cited as Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) Act, 1888*) Royal Assent, 325.

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(No. 7); Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board under the Provisions of "The Poor Law Amendment Act, 1867," as amended by "The Poor Law Amendment Act, 1868," and extended by "The Poor Law Act, 1879," relating to the Parish of Saint Mary Abbotts, Kensington; Ordered; presented; read, and

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	6 August :												
431.	-	Naval Armaments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,863,500	-	-
431.	-	Medicines, Medical Stores, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	119,500	-	-
431.	-	Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	376,300	-	-
431.	-	Scientific Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55,600	-	-
431.	-	Reserved and Retired Pay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	721,000	-	-
431.	-	Naval Pensions and Allowances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	743,600	-	-
431.	-	Widows' Pensions and Compassionate Allowances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	168,500	-	-
431.	-	Civil Pensions and Gratuities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	330,800	-	-
	14 December :												
512.	-	Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance (Personnel)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,606,200	-	-
513.	-	Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance (Materiel)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	923,500	-	-
513.	-	Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance (Contract Work)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,514,200	-	-
513.	-	Martial Law, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,500	-	-
513.	-	Educational Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73,500	-	-
513.	-	Divine Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,100	-	-
513.	-	Naval Reserve, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	143,800	-	-
513.	-	Miscellaneous Effective Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	117,000	-	-
513.	-	Admiralty Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	212,100	-	-
	CIVIL SERVICES:												
	28 February :												
72.	-	PUBLIC BUILDINGS (IRELAND) (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,000	-	-
72.	-	SCIENCE and ART DEPARTMENT (DUBLIN) (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,000	-	-
72.	-	LIGHTHOUSES ABROAD (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100	-	-
73.	-	DEFICIENCY of INCOME from FEES (BOARD of TRADE, BANKRUPTCY ACT) (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
73.	-	COLONIAL OFFICE (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	481	-	-
73.	-	ENDOWED SCHOOLS COMMISSION (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,277	-	-
73.	-	FOREIGN BRONZE COIN (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,100	-	-
73.	-	COUNTY COURTS (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,073	-	-
73.	-	POLICE in COUNTIES and BOROUGHs (ENGLAND and WALES) (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,300	-	-
73.	-	COURTS of LAW and JUSTICE (SCOTLAND) (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,963	-	-
73.	-	POLICE (SCOTLAND) (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	-
73.	-	COUNTY COURT OFFICERS, &c. (IRELAND) (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,550	-	-
73.	-	NATIONAL GALLERY (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	676	-	-
	2 March :												
79.	-	UNIVERSITY of LONDON (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130	-	-
79.	-	SPECIAL MISSIONS ABROAD (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,500	-	-
79.	-	COLONIES, GRANTS in AID (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	-	-
79.	-	TEMPORARY COMMISSION (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,500	-	-
79.	-	MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES (Supplementary)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,240	-	-
	16 March :												
103.	-	CIVIL SERVICES AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS (on account)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,614,903	-	-
104. Resolution read a second time; Motion, That this House doth agree with the Com- mittee in the said Re- solution; Debate stood adjourned at ten minutes to Seven, 104. Debate resumed; Resolution agreed to; Second Resolution agreed to, 105.	-	CIVIL SERVICES (EXCESSES)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,309	7	4

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	6 April:	
135. -	ROYAL PALACES (to complete) - - - - -	29,260 - -
135. -	MARLBOROUGH HOUSE (to complete) - - - - -	1,500 - -
135. -	ROYAL PARKS and PLEASURE GARDENS (to complete) - - - - -	77,013 - -
135. -	HOUSES of PARLIAMENT (to complete) - - - - -	40,940 - -
135. -	GORDON MONUMENT - - - - -	2,200 - -
135. -	PUBLIC BUILDINGS (GREAT BRITAIN) (to complete) - - - - -	110,629 - -
135. -	FURNITURE (PUBLIC DEPARTMENTS, GREAT BRITAIN) (to complete) - - - - -	12,930 - -
135. -	CUSTOMS and INLAND REVENUE, &c. (BUILDINGS) (to complete) - - - - -	203,514 - -
135. -	COUNTY COURTS (NEW BUILDINGS) (to complete) - - - - -	23,875 - -
135. -	METROPOLITAN POLICE COURT BUILDINGS (to complete) - - - - -	12,756 - -
135. -	COURT HOUSES, SCOTLAND (to complete) - - - - -	9,250 - -
135. -	SURVEY of the UNITED KINGDOM (to complete) - - - - -	183,000 - -
	9 April:	
139. First, Second, and Third Resolutions read a second time, and agreed to; Fourth Resolution read a second time, and postponed; Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, and Thirteenth Resolutions read a second time, and agreed to; Fourteenth Resolution read a second time, and postponed; Fifteenth Resolution read a second time, and agreed to; Day appointed for considering postponed Resolutions, 140. Postponed Resolutions considered, and agreed to, 151.	SCIENCE and ART DEPARTMENT BUILDINGS (to complete) - - - - -	7,900 - -
	BRITISH MUSEUM and NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM (BUILDINGS) (to complete) - - - - -	8,940 - -
	UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH - - - - -	4,000 - -
	DIPLOMATIC and CONSULAR BUILDINGS (to complete) - - - - -	17,626 - -
	HARBOURS, &c. under the BOARD of TRADE (to complete) - - - - -	14,145 - -
	LIGHTHOUSES ABROAD (to complete) - - - - -	9,530 - -
	HARBOUR of REFUGE at PETERHEAD (to complete) - - - - -	29,180 - -
	GOVERNMENT PROPERTY (RATES, &c.) (to complete) - - - - -	148,848 - -
	FIRE BRIGADE (METROPOLIS) (to complete) - - - - -	7,500 - -
	PUBLIC BUILDINGS (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	163,302 - -
	SCIENCE and ART BUILDINGS (DUBLIN) (to complete) - - - - -	35,500 - -
	HOUSE of LORDS (to complete) - - - - -	37,731 - -
	HOUSE of COMMONS (to complete) - - - - -	43,387 - -
	TREASURY OFFICES (to complete) - - - - -	50,222 - -
	HOME OFFICE (to complete) - - - - -	80,734 - -
	31 May:	
241. Resolution read a second time; Amendment proposed, to leave out "£. 4,205,300," and insert "£. 4,195,300," but not made; Resolution agreed to, 242.	CIVIL SERVICES AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS (on account) - - - - -	4,205,300 - -
	6 July:	
348. Resolutions read a second time; Motion, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution; Debate stood adjourned at One o'clock, 348. Further adjourned, 351, 356. Resumed; Resolution agreed to, 362.	BOARD of TRADE (to complete) - - - - -	69,017 - -
	BOARD of TRADE (DEFICIENCY of INCOME from FEES) (to complete) - - - - -	6 - -
	COMPTROLLER and AUDITOR GENERAL (to complete) - - - - -	34,720 - -
	FRIENDLY SOCIETIES REGISTRY (to complete) - - - - -	5,257 - -
361. First Resolution read a second time; Amendment proposed to leave out "£. 27,968," and insert "£. 26,968," but, on Division, not made, 361. Question, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution; Debate adjourned; Second Resolution agreed to, 362. Debate further adjourned, 372, 382, 386. Resumed; Question resolved in the Affirmative, 389.	12 July:	
	COLONIAL OFFICE (to complete) - - - - -	27,968 - -
	PRIVY COUNCIL (to complete) - - - - -	37,356 - -

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362. First Resolution read a second time, and agreed to; Second Resolution read a second time; Motion, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, and, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 362.	12 July : ADMIRALTY BUILDINGS (to complete) - - - - - FOREIGN OFFICE (to complete) - - - - -	4,200 - - 46,073 - -
394. -	24 July : CHARITY COMMISSION (ENGLAND and WALES) (to complete) - - -	24,701 - -
394. -	CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION (to complete) - - - - -	26,477 - -
428. Motion, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, and it being after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned, 428. Resumed; Closure claimed Four times (Mr. W. H. Smith, Mr. William Johnston, Mr. Milvain, and Sir William Croseman); but Mr. Speaker withholds his Assent each time; Question resolved in the Affirmative, 431.	4 August : CIVIL SERVICES and REVENUE DEPARTMENTS (on account) - - -	7,712,800 - -
462. -	7 November : LAND COMMISSIONERS (ENGLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	3,210 - -
462. -	LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD (to complete) - - - - -	173,968 - -
462. -	LUNACY (ENGLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	5,717 - -
462. -	MINT (to complete) - - - - -	18,941 - -
462. -	NATIONAL DEBT OFFICE (to complete) - - - - -	5,071 - -
462. -	PATENTS, DESIGNS, and TRADE MARKS ACT (to complete) - - -	23,305 - -
463. -	8 November : PAYMASTER GENERAL (LONDON and DUBLIN) (to complete) - - -	9,690 - -
464. -	PUBLIC WORKS LOAN COMMISSIONERS (to complete) - - - - -	3,033 - -
464. -	PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE (to complete) - - - - -	7,634 - -
464. -	REGISTRAR GENERAL of BIRTHS, &c. (ENGLAND) (to complete) - - -	18,567 - -
465. -	9 November : STATIONERY, PRINTING, &c. (to complete) - - - - -	185,977 - -
466. -	WOODS, FORESTS, and LAND REVENUES (to complete) - - - - -	8,314 - -
466. -	WORKS and PUBLIC BUILDINGS (to complete) - - - - -	20,600 - -
467. -	12 November : EDUCATION (ENGLAND and WALES) (to complete) - - - - -	1,286,077 - -
469. -	13 November : MERCANTILE MARINE FUND (to complete) - - - - -	5,000 - -
469. -	SECRET SERVICES (to complete) - - - - -	19,000 - -
469. -	LAW OFFICERS (LEGAL CHARGES) (to complete) - - - - -	29,776 - -
469. -	CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS (to complete) - - - - -	42,917 - -
471. Resolutions read a second time; Motion, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution; Motion, That the Debate be now adjourned; Withdrawn; Original Question put, and agreed to; Subsequent Resolutions agreed to, 471.	14 November : SUPREME COURT of JUDICATURE (to complete) - - - - - WRECK COMMISSIONER (to complete) - - - - - COUNTY COURTS (to complete) - - - - - LAND REGISTRY (to complete) - - - - - REVISING BARRISTERS, ENGLAND (to complete) - - - - - POLICE COURTS (LONDON and SHEERNESS) (to complete) - - -	153,315 - - 4,680 - - 198,030 - - 596 - - 370 - - 6,243 - -

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473. Resolution read a second time; Amendment proposed to leave out "£. 233,520," and insert "£. 230,220;" but, on Division, not made; Motion, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution; Motion, That the Debate be now adjourned, and Question, on Division, negatived; Resolution, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, 473.	15 November : METROPOLITAN POLICE (to complete) - - - - -	233,520 - -
	16 November :	
475. -	POLICE (DYNAMITE OUTRAGES) (to complete) - - - - -	19,000 - -
475. -	POLICE in COUNTIES and BOROUGHs (ENGLAND and WALES) (to complete)	872,286 - -
475. -	PRISONS (ENGLAND, WALES, and the COLONIES) (to complete) - - -	311,180 - -
475. -	REFORMATORY and INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS, GREAT BRITAIN (to complete) -	74,646 - -
475. -	BROADMOOR CRIMINAL LUNATIC ASYLUM (ENGLAND) (to complete) - -	13,802 - -
	19 November :	
476. -	SCIENCE and ART DEPARTMENT (to complete) - - - - -	195,303 - -
476. -	BRITISH MUSEUM and NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM BUILDINGS (to complete)	61,359 - -
477. -	NATIONAL GALLERY (to complete) - - - - -	4,429 - -
	1 December :	
493. -	SUPERANNUATION and RETIRED ALLOWANCES (to complete) - - -	139,510 - -
494. -	MERCHANT SERVICE (PENSIONS) (to complete) - - - - -	4,400 - -
	PAUPER LUNATICS (ENGLAND and WALES) (to complete) - - -	488,000 - -
494. First Resolution read a second time; Amendment proposed, by leaving out "£. 139,510," and inserting "£. 138,310," and withdrawn; First Resolution agreed to; subsequent Resolutions agreed to, 494.	FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (DEFICIENCIES) (to complete) - - - - -	13 - -
	MISCELLANEOUS CHARITABLE and other ALLOWANCES (GREAT BRITAIN) (to complete) - - - - -	338 - -
	NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY (to complete) - - - - -	422 - -
	LEARNED SOCIETIES (to complete) - - - - -	4,900 - -
	UNIVERSITY of LONDON (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 700) (to complete) - - - - -	4,852 - -
494. -	UNIVERSITIES and COLLEGES (ENGLAND and WALES) (to complete) - -	7,000 - -
494. -	HER MAJESTY'S SHIP "CHALLENGER" (SCIENTIFIC RESULTS of the EXPEDITION) (to complete) - - - - -	1,000 - -
	4 December :	
496. -	LORD LIEUTENANT of IRELAND (HOUSEHOLD, &c.) (to complete) - -	2,478 - -
	5 December :	
497. -	CHIEF SECRETARY for IRELAND (OFFICES) (to complete) - - - -	12,707 - -
	6 December :	
499. -	CHARITABLE DONATIONS and BEQUESTS (IRELAND) (to complete) - -	553 - -
499. -	LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - -	61,698 - -

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501. -	PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	13,728 - -
501. -	PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	2,010 - -
501. -	REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE, &c. (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	4,747 - -
501. -	GENERAL VALUATION and BOUNDARY SURVEY of IRELAND (to complete) - - - - -	5,973 - -
	10 December :	
504. -	NATIONAL EDUCATION (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	258,525 - -
504. -	EDUCATION (IRELAND) (ENDOWED SCHOOLS) (to complete) - - - - -	200 - -
504. -	ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY (to complete) - - - - -	881 - -
	11 December :	
507. First Resolution read a second time; Amendment proposed by leaving out "£. 369,288," and inserting "£. 364,288;" Question, That "£. 369,288," stood part of the Resolution Closure claimed (Mr. Arthur Balfour) and, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative; Question put accordingly, and, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 508. Resolution agreed to; Subsequent Resolutions read a second time, and agreed to, 508.	CONSTABULARY FORCE (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	369,288 - -
	SUPREME COURT of JUDICATURE (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	32,562 - -
	ADMIRALTY COURT REGISTRY (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	585 - -
	REGISTRY of DEEDS (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	5,346 - -
	REGISTRY of JUDGMENTS (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	913 - -
	DUNDRUM CRIMINAL LUNATIC ASYLUM (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	1,962 - -
	NATIONAL SCHOOL TEACHERS' SUPERANNUATION OFFICE, DUBLIN (to complete) - - - - -	720 - -
	NATIONAL GALLERY (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	1,401 - -
	PAUPER LUNATICS (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	460 - -
	12 December :	
509. -	SECRETARY for SCOTLAND and SUBORDINATE OFFICES (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500) (to complete) - - - - -	3,247 - -
509. -	QUEEN'S and LORD TREASURER'S REMEMBRANCE (SCOTLAND), &c. (to complete) - - - - -	2,376 - -
	13 December :	
511. -	FISHERY BOARD in SCOTLAND (to complete) - - - - -	7,427 - -
511. -	LUNACY BOARD (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	990 - -
511. -	REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	1,948 - -
511. -	BOARD of SUPERVISION and PUBLIC HEALTH, &c. (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	3,347 - -
	17 December :	
519. -	CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	26,627 - -
519. -	COURTS of LAW and JUSTICE (SCOTLAND) (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 1,650) (to complete) - - - - -	33,157 - -
519. -	GENERAL REGISTER HOUSE (EDINBURGH) (to complete) - - - - -	15,627 - -
519. -	CROFTERS' COMMISSION (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	2,831 - -
519. -	POLICE (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	237 - -
519. -	PRISON COMMISSIONERS (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	44,538 - -
519. -	PUBLIC EDUCATION (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	188,322 - -
519. -	SCOTTISH UNIVERSITIES (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 300) (to complete) - - - - -	10,325 - -
519. -	BOARD of TRUSTEES of MANUFACTURES (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	100 - -
519. -	PAUPER LUNATICS (SCOTLAND) (to complete) - - - - -	1,000 - -
519. -	TEMPORARY COMMISSIONS (to complete) - - - - -	6,404 - -

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519.	MELBOURNE EXHIBITION, 1888 - - - - -	7,000 - -
519.	CIVIL CONTINGENCIES FUND - - - - -	1,823 - -
519.	LOCAL LOANS FUND - - - - -	33,230 - -
519.	SCIENCE and ART DEPARTMENT BUILDINGS (Supplementary) - - -	1,300 - -
519.	WATERLOO MEMORIAL - - - - -	500 - -
519.	HOUSE of COMMONS OFFICES (Supplementary) - - - - -	4,130 - -
519.	CHARITY COMMISSION (Supplementary) - - - - -	3,731 - -
519.	CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS, SHERIFFS' EXPENSES, &c. (Supplementary) -	7,000 - -
519.	RAILWAY and CANAL COMMISSION - - - - -	1,750 - -
519.	REVISING BARRISTERS (ENGLAND) (Supplementary) - - - - -	5,236 - -
520.	BRITISH MUSEUM (Supplementary) - - - - -	2,539 - -
18 December :		
522.	EMBASSIES and MISSIONS ABROAD (to complete) - - - - -	46,260 - -
522.	CONSULAR ESTABLISHMENTS ABROAD (to complete) - - - - -	49,433 - -
522.	SUPPRESSION of the SLAVE TRADE, &c. (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 5,500) (to complete) - - - - -	7,620 - -
522.	SUEZ CANAL (SALARIES and EXPENSES) (to complete) - - - - -	1,005 - -
522.	COLONIES (GRANTS in AID) (to complete) - - - - -	29,115 - -
522.	ORANGE RIVER TERRITORY, &c. (to complete) - - - - -	24,235 - -
522.	TELEGRAPH COMPANIES (SUBSIDY, &c.) (to complete) - - - - -	8,300 - -
522.	ISLAND of CYPRUS (GRANT in AID) (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 25,000) (to complete) - - - - -	26,000 - -
522.	CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT (to complete) - - - - -	487,920 - -
522.	INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT (to complete) - - - - -	1,057,629 - -
522.	POST OFFICE SERVICES (to complete) - - - - -	3,146,666 - -
522.	POST OFFICE PACKET SERVICE (to complete) - - - - -	291,500 - -
522.	POST OFFICE TELEGRAPH SERVICE (to complete) - - - - -	636,836 - -
19 December :		
525.	CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS and other LAW CHARGES (IRELAND) (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 10,000) (to complete) - - - - -	32,665 - -
525.	PRISONS (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	56,742 - -
525.	IRISH LAND COMMISSION (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 62,206) (to complete) - - - - -	62,218 - -
525.	COURT of BANKRUPTCY (IRELAND) (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500) (to complete) - - - - -	3,647 - -
525.	COUNTY COURT OFFICERS, &c. (IRELAND) (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 3,000) (to complete) - - - - -	35,750 - -
525.	DUBLIN METROPOLITAN POLICE (to complete) - - - - -	51,733 - -
525.	REFORMATORY and INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS (IRELAND) (to complete) - - -	28,497 - -
525.	QUEEN'S COLLEGES (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	6,528 - -
525.	HOSPITALS and INFIRMARIES (IRELAND) (to complete) - - - - -	658 - -
525.	MISCELLANEOUS CHARITABLE and other ALLOWANCES (IRELAND) (to com- plete) - - - - -	1,499 - -
525.	PUBLIC WORKS, &c. (IRELAND) (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 11,600) (to complete) - - - - -	15,600 - -
526.	KILRUSH and KILKEE RAILWAY, &c. ACT, 1887 (REPAYMENT of MONEYS) (to complete) - - - - -	12 - -
526.	SEED POTATOES (ISLAND of ARRAN, &c.) - - - - -	1,742 - -

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Grants out of the Consolidated Fund					59,067,781	7	4
		SCHEDULE (B.)—APPROPRIATION OF GRANTS.					
		1887-88:—			£.	s.	d.
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					114,900		
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Part III.	Navy				13,082,800		
Part IV.	Army (including Ordnance Factories)				16,738,300		
					£.	s.	d.
Part V.	Civil Services, Class I.				1,430,138	—	—
Part VI.	Ditto Class II.				2,435,569	—	—
Part VII.	Ditto Class III.				6,398,872	—	—
Part VIII.	Ditto Class IV.				5,741,583	—	—
Part IX.	Ditto Class V.				647,368	—	—
Part X.	Ditto Class VI.				1,259,778	—	—
Part XI.	Ditto Class VII.				127,922	—	—
		TOTAL Civil Services			18,041,230		
Part XII.	Revenue Departments, &c.				11,090,551		
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