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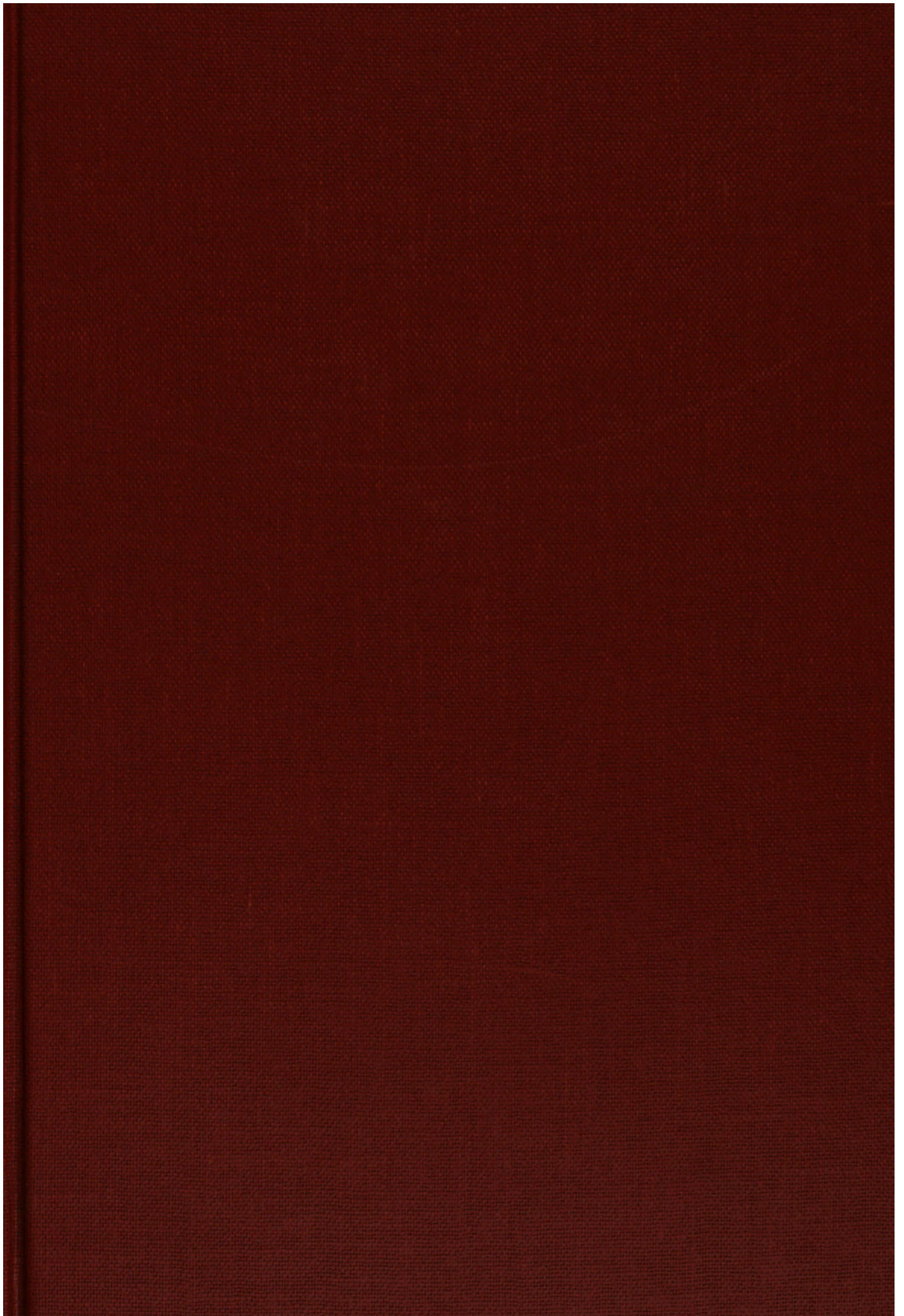
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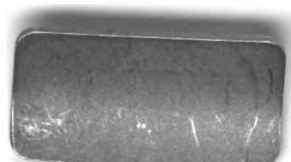
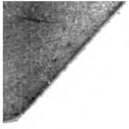
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House of Lords.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Lunæ, 3° Aprilis 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. *Smith v. General Motor Cab Company, Limited* — *Considered* : Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
2. *Harris and another v. Earl of Chesterfield and another* — Further heard, and adjourned till *To-morrow*.
3. *Law Accident Insurance Society, Limited, and another v. Law Guarantee Trust and Accident Society, Limited, and others* — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the third sitting day after the next ensuing meeting of the House (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto) ; read, and ordered as prayed.
4. *J. and E. Kish v. Charles Taylor, Sons, and Company* — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 14th day of May next (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto) ; read, and ordered as prayed.
5. *Scottish Widows Fund Life Assurance Society v. Blennerhassett* — Petition of the Respondent that the Appeal may be dismissed as incompetent ; read, and *referred* to the Appeal Committee.
6. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
7. House of Lords — His Majesty's answer to the Address of Thursday last delivered by the Lord Steward (*E. Chesterfield*), and read as follows —
I have received your Address ; and, relying on the wisdom of My Parliament, I desire that My Prerogative and Powers, in so far as they relate to the Creation of Peerages and to the issue of Writs of Summons to Lords Spiritual and Temporal to attend and sit and vote in the House of Lords, should not stand in the way of the consideration by Parliament of any measure that may be introduced in the present Session on the subject of the constitution of the House of Lords.
8. *Private Bills* — For petitions respecting, *see* page 452.
9. **London United Tramways Bill,**
10. **Bicester Urban District Gas Bill,**
11. **Furness Railway Bill,**
12. **Marple Urban District Council Bill,**
13. **Tamworth Gas Bill,**

Brought from the Commons ;
read 1^o ; and *referred* to the
Examiners.

14. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with:

Bristol Corporation.
London Electric Railway.
Metropolitan District Railway.

Also the Certificates that no further Standing Orders are applicable to the following Bills:

Marriages Provisional Order.
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.]

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

15. **Great Western Railway Bill** } *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
 [H.L.],
16. **Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Bill** } *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
 [H.L.],
17. **Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill** [H.L.], } Petition for additional Provision of the Trustees of the Harbour of Dundee under their Common Seal together with the proposed clause and schedule annexed thereto; read, and *referred* to the Examiners.
18. **Brighton District Tramways Bill** [H.L.], } Second Reading (which stands appointed for this day) *put off* to the *second sitting day after the Recess at Easter*.
19. **Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge Bill,** } Read 2^a, and *committed*.
20. **Rhymney Railway Bill** [H.L.], } Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
21. **Enfield Gas Bill** [H.L.], }
22. Railway Accidents — Report by Lieutenant-Colonel Druitt, R.E., on the fatal collision that occurred on the 23rd January 1911 between a passenger train and a coal train at Coke Ovens, near Pontypridd, on the Taff Vale Railway:
23. Colonies (Annual) — No. 674. Northern Nigeria (Report for 1909):
24. Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) — Tenth Annual General Report of the Department, 1909–1910:
25. Trade Reports (Annual Series) — No. 4628. Guatemala (Report on trade and commerce for the year 1909):
26. England and Wales — Statement with regard to persons in receipt of Poor Law Relief on 31st December 1910, who received Old Age Pensions, and ceased to be chargeable to guardians during the four weeks ended 28th January 1911:

Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.

27. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 —
1. Annual Report on the state of the finances of the University of St. Andrews under the provisions of section 30 of the Act for the year 1909–1910;
 2. Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of St. Andrews to the Secretary for Scotland under the provisions of section 30 of the Act for the year 1909–1910:
28. Irish Land Acts — Regulations made by the Lord Lieutenant pursuant to section 23 (8) of the Irish Land Act, 1903, and section 4 of the Irish Land Act, 1909:
29. Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906 —
1. Additional rules;
 2. Explanatory memorandum:
30. Metropolitan Cattle Market — An account of moneys received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London for the year 1910; also an account of extraordinary works executed other than general repairs for the same period:
- Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
31. Imperial Defence — *Moved*, To resolve that, in view of the altered strategic conditions in Europe, this House views with grave and growing concern the inadequate military arrangements of His Majesty's Government for the Defence of this country and of His Majesty's Oversea Dominions (The Earl Roberts); and, a debate arising thereupon, the further debate adjourned till *To-morrow*.
32. **Education (School Attendance) Bill** [H.L.], } Order for Second Reading To-morrow, *discharged*.
33. **Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill** [H.L.], } Second Reading (which stands appointed for To-morrow) *put off to Wednesday the 3rd of May next*.
34. **Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill** [H.L.], } Second Reading (which stands appointed for Wednesday next) *put off to Tuesday the 2nd of May next*.

House adjourned at a quarter before Twelve o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

3rd April.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILLS.

<u>NAME OF BILL.</u>	<u>PETITIONERS.</u>	<u>BY WHOM DEPOSITED.</u>
Great Northern Railway -	1. Arnold Lupton - 2. Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company. 3. North-Eastern Railway Company. 4. The Earl Fitzwilliam - 5. Great Eastern Railway Company.	Torr and Co. Sherwood and Co. Ditto. Andrew, Wood, and Co. Edwd. Moore.
London Electric Railway -	1. Metropolitan Railway Company. 2. London County Council - 3. Croydon Corporation -	C. de W. Kitcat. Valentine Browne. Baker and Co.
Metropolitan District Railway	Croydon Corporation -	Baker and Co.
Southampton Harbour -	London and South-Western Railway Company.	W. Bishop.

CAUSES.

Tuesday the 4th of April.

Harris and another *v.* Earl of Chesterfield and another, } Further
Hearing.

Thursday the 6th of April.

London County Council *v.* Price's Patent Candle Company, } Further
Limited, } Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*for Tuesday the 4th of April.***At a quarter past Four o'clock.****London Electric Railway Bill, - Second Reading.****At half-past Four o'clock.****Military Manœuvres Act, 1897 — Order in Council—**

THE VISCOUNT HALDANE to move, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to make Orders in Council under the Military Manœuvres Act, 1897, authorising the execution of Military Manœuvres in the Counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Hertford, Huntingdon, Bedford, and Cambridge, and also in the County of Ayr, drafts of which were presented to this House on the 7th February last.

The Duke of Bedford—To call attention to the number of troops left at home after the departure of the Expeditionary Force according to the statement of the Secretary of State for War on the 28th February 1911, namely:—

Regulars	-	-	-	-	55,988
Regular Reserve	-	-	-	-	34,871
Special Reserve	-	-	-	-	59,455
Territorial Force	-	-	-	-	260,981
Militia and Militia Reserve	-	-	-	-	4,076
Regular Reserve from Abroad	-	-	-	-	7,225
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					422,596

Imperial Defence—ADJOURNED DEBATE on the motion of the Earl Roberts to resolve, That, in view of the altered strategic conditions in Europe, this House views with grave and growing concern the inadequate military arrangements of His Majesty's Government for the Defence of this country and of His Majesty's Oversea Dominions.

 BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Wednesday the 5th of April.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the tests in colour and form vision to which candidates for Board of Trade certificates as Master or Mate are at present subjected, and to the form vision test which it is proposed to introduce in the year 1914; and to refer to the composition of the Departmental Committee which has been appointed by the Board of Trade to inquire into and advise upon these tests.

The Earl of Dartmouth — To move that an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying His Majesty to withhold His consent to the Scheme settled by the Board of Education in the matter of the Weelwright Grammar Schools at Dewsbury, in the West Riding of the county of York.

The Lord Selborne — To ask the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies whether it is the intention of the Prime Minister to preside at the meetings of the Imperial Conference.

County Courts Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord* }
Chancellor], Second Reading.

The Earl of Selborne — To ask His Majesty's Government whether they can state the exact position at the present moment of Engineer Commanders in respect of pay. Whether Engineer Commanders on promotion to that rank from the rank of Engineer Lieutenant always receive the pay of 24s. a day, according to the scale laid down in Admiralty Circular Letter, No. 140 of 19th December 1902, or not. Whether, when in November 1903, the promotion of Engineer Lieutenants to Engineer Commanders was temporarily accelerated from eight years to four years on the senior list, it was made clear that such promotions were to be treated in the matter of minimum pay exceptionally and not according to the scale laid down in Circular Letter No. 140; and, if so, how this distinction of treatment was made clear, and when these temporary accelerations of promotion will cease, and the minimum rate of pay for Engineer Commander really become 24s. a day.

The Earl of Plymouth — To move that an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying His Majesty to withhold His consent to the Scheme settled by the Board of Education in the matter of the administration of the Educational Foundation of Ellin Humphrey in the parishes of Llanenddwyn and Llanddwywe, in the county of Merioneth.

Thursday the 6th of April.

Rights of Way Bill [H.L.] [*The* }
Lord Eversley], Committee.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Thursday the 6th of April — continued.

The Lord Newton — To ask His Majesty's Government if they are able to state the nature of the compensation which the Bagdad Railway Company is entitled to obtain from the Turkish Government on account of the renunciation of the right to construct the section of the line from Bagdad to the Persian Gulf.

Monday the 1st of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To refer to the account (presented by His Majesty's command) of the sums received and paid in respect of wages and effects of deceased seamen in the year ended 31st March 1910, and to the unclaimed balance of 15,755*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* which has accumulated since the year 1904; to ask whether unclaimed balances of this kind are devoted to purposes of material advantage to seamen, and if not, whether the President of the Board of Trade will consider the desirability of so doing.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh*], } Committee.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Dunmore (E. Dunmore)*], } (Second Reading; and the Lord Dunmore (*E. Dunmore*), in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Wednesday the 3rd of May.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Malmesbury*], } (Second Reading; and the Earl of Malmesbury in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Thursday the 11th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Shaftesbury*], } Report of Amendments.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.**(No day named.)*

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishops of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishops of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Tamworth Gas, London United Tramways, Bicester Urban District Gas, Furness Railway, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Southampton Harbour,	} Referred to the Examiners.
Great Northern Railway,	{ To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Tuesday the 4th of April.</i>
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.]—(Petition for additional Provision),	{ To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 6th of April.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order, Metropolitan District Railway, Board of Education Scheme (Aln- wick Corporation Payment) Con- firmation [H.L.], Bristol Corporation,	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.], Local Authorities (Combined Drain- age) [H.L.], Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Croydon and Southern District Railless Traction [H.L.], Metropolitan Water Board (Hertford Sewerage) [H.L.],	} Second Reading on <i>Wednesday the 5th of April.</i>
Brighton District Tramways [H.L.],	{ Second Reading on the <i>second sitting day after the Recess at Easter.</i>
Professional Accountants [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	} Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Swansea Gas [H.L.],
 Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries
 [H.L.],
 Dundee Harbour (Constitution)
 [H.L.],
 Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],
 Manchester Corporation [H.L.],
 Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water
 [H.L.],
 Aberdare Urban District Council
 [H.L.],
 Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board
 [H.L.],
 Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire
 Sewerage Board [H.L.],
 Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation
 [H.L.],
 Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.],
 Matlock District Railless Traction
 [H.L.],
 Rhondda Urban District Council
 [H.L.],
 Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],
 Brighton, Hove and District Railless
 Traction [H.L.],
 North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],
 London and South-Western Railway
 [H.L.],
 Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and
 District Gas [H.L.],
 Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees,
 and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],
 Great Yarmouth Port and Haven
 [H.L.],
 Hebburn Urban District Council,

} Waiting for Select Committees to
 be named.

London, Tilbury and Southend
 Railway [H.L.],
 Rochdale Market [H.L.],
 Midland Railway [H.L.],
 Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],
 Winchester Corporation (Electric
 Supply) [H.L.],
 Sidmouth Gas and Electricity
 [H.L.],
 Chester Water [H.L.],
 Barry Railway [H.L.],

} Waiting for Report.

City of London (Various Powers)
 [H.L.],
 London, Brighton and South Coast
 Railway [H.L.],
 Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],
 Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],

} Waiting for Third Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Warrington Corporation, Great Western Railway [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.],	}	(Amend- ments),	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
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Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
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Great Northern Railway (Ireland), - Returned to the Commons amended.

COMMITTEES.

Tuesday the 4th of April.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.),	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.),		
Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	}	Joint Committee; half-past Eleven o'clock.
Thames Conservancy Bill,		

Thursday the 6th of April.

Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.],	}	A quarter past Three o'clock.
Luton Gas [H.L.],		
Thorney Drainage [H.L.],		
Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],		
Coventry Corporation [H.L.], Felixstowe and Walton Water [H.L.],		
House of Lords Offices Committee,	}	A quarter before Four o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),	}	Half-past Three o'clock.
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Friday the 7th of April.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 31st March.

Sess. Numb.

- (15 b.)+ Rights of Way Bill — Amendment to be moved in Committee.
(L. Clifford of Chudleigh.) (*In substitution for the
Amendment previously circulated.*)
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PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess Numb.

- [Cd. 5313.] Local Government Board — Thirty-ninth Annual Report 1909–1910. Supplement in continuation of the Report of the Medical Officer of the Board for 1909–1910, containing a Report on Shellfish other than Oysters in relation to Disease, by H. Timbrell Bulstrode, M.D.
- [Cd. 5339.] International Agricultural Institute — Copy of Further Papers. (In continuation of Parliamentary Paper [Cd. 4727.]).
- [Cd. 5569.] Evicted Tenants (Ireland) — Return prepared pursuant to Section 3 of the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1907, giving particulars of all cases in which an evicted tenant (or a person nominated by the Estates Commissioners to be the personal representative of a deceased evicted tenant) has been, with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners, reinstated, either by the Landlord or by the Estates Commissioners, as a purchaser of his or his predecessor's former holding or part thereof, or provided with a new parcel of land under the Land Purchase Acts, during the quarter ended 31st December 1910.
- [Cd. 5590.] Cancer Research (International Conference, Paris, 1910) — Copy of Report of E. F. Bashford, Esq., M.D., General Superintendent of Research and Director of the Laboratory of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, Delegate of His Majesty's Government to the Second International Conference on Cancer Research, held at Paris from the 1st to 5th October 1910.
- [Cd. 5591.] Trade of Canada — Report on the Trade of the Dominion of Canada for the period from 1st July 1906 to 31st March 1910, by His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for the Dominion of Canada (Mr. Richard Grigg).
- [Cd. 5594.] Army — State of the Military Forces in the United Kingdom. 1st June 1910.
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HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 30th March.

Sess. Numb.

- [69.] Bill — Labour Exchanges (Aliens).
[125.] — Representation of the People.
[138.] — Licensing (Scotland).
[139.] — Pensions (Colonial Governors).

31st March.

- [145.] Bill — Municipal Elections [H.L.]
[63-VIII.] + Revenue Departments, 1911-1912 — Estimates.
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Martis, 4° Aprilis 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Harris and another *v.* Earl of Chesterfield and another — Further and fully heard, and consideration adjourned *sine die*.
2. Board of Education *v.* Rice and others, } To be considered on *Thursday*
3. Duxbury *v.* Owners of "August Leffler," } next.
4. Viscount Bangor — Petition of Maxwell Richard Crosbie, Viscount Bangor, in the Peerage of Ireland, claiming a right to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland; read, and *referred* to the Lord Chancellor to consider and report thereupon to the House.
5. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
6. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bill have not been complied with :

Great Northern Railway.

The same was ordered to lie on the Table.
7. **Manchester and Milford Railway Bill,**
8. **Blackburn Corporation Water Bill,**
9. **Chichester Gas Bill,**
10. **Port of London Authority Bill,**
11. Private Bill — For petitions respecting, *see* page 467.
12. **London Electric Railway Bill,** } Read 2^a, and *committed* : The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.
13. **Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.],**
14. **Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.],**
15. **Croydon and Southern District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.],**
16. **Local Authorities (Combined Drainage) Bill [H.L.],**

17. Cost of Living in American Towns — Report of an inquiry by the Board of Trade into working-class rents, housing, and retail prices, together with the rates of wages in certain occupations in the principal industrial towns of the United States of America; with an introductory memorandum and a comparison of conditions in the United States and the United Kingdom :
18. Local Government Board — Reports to the Local Government Board on Public Health and Medical Subjects —
- I. (New Series, No. 46.) Report to the Local Government Board by Dr. J. M. Hamill on the presence of calcium sulphate in baking powder and self-raising flour ;
- II. (New Series, No. 49.) Reports to the Local Government Board —
1. On the bleaching of flour and the addition of so-called “ improvers ” to flour, by Dr. J. M. Hamill ;
2. On the chemical changes produced in flour by bleaching, by Dr. G. W. Monier Williams :
19. Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Annual Report of Proceedings under the Small Holdings and Allotments Act, 1908, the Universities and College Estates Acts, the Glebe Lands Act, 1888, the Improvement of Land Acts, the Settled Land Acts, the Agricultural Holdings Acts, &c., &c. for the year 1910. Part I. Small Holdings :
20. Board of Education — Report of the Board of Education for the year 1909–1910 :
21. Births, Marriages, and Deaths, and Vaccination (Scotland) — Fifty-sixth Annual Report of the Registrar-General for Scotland for the year 1910 ; and Forty-sixth Annual Report on Vaccination :
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
22. Military Manœuvres Act, 1897 — *Moved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to make Orders in Council under the Military Manœuvres Act, 1897, authorising the execution of Military Manœuvres in the Counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Hertford, Huntingdon, Bedford, and Cambridge, and also in the County of Ayr, drafts of which were presented to this House on the 7th February last (The Viscount Haldane) ; *agreed to*, and ordered accordingly : The said Address to be presented to His Majesty by the Lords with White Staves.
23. Imperial Defence — Debate on the motion of the Earl Roberts to resolve, That, in view of the altered strategic conditions in Europe, this House views with grave and growing concern the inadequate military arrangements of His Majesty’s Government for the Defence of this country and of His Majesty’s Oversea Dominions ; *resumed* (according to order) ; objected to : After further long debate, on question, *resolved in the affirmative (see Division List annexed).*
24. **Education (School Attendance) Bill** [H.L.], } To be read 2^a on *Tuesday the 2nd of May* next.
25. **Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) Bill** [H.L.], } A Bill to provide for the acquisition by tenants of small holdings in respect of which a rent in excess of the gross annual value is received by County Councils — *Was presented* by the Earl of Camperdown ; read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N^o 45.)

House adjourned at a quarter before Twelve o’clock, till To-morrow,
a quarter past Four o’clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Clerk-Parliamentar.

 PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

4th April.

 PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Great Northern Railway	1. Midland Railway Company. 2. London and North-Western Railway Company. 3. London County Council - 4. The Viscount Galway - 5. George Charles Wentworth Fitzwilliam. 6. Hull and Barnsley and South Yorkshire Junction Railway Companies. 7. Hull and Barnsley and Great Central Railways Joint Committee. 8. Great Central Railway Company.	Beale and Co. C. de J. Andrewes. Valentine Browne. Sharpe and Co. Grahames, Currey, and Spens. Rees and Freres. Ditto. Dixon H. Davies.

C A U S E S.

Thursday the 6th of April.

Board of Education <i>v.</i> Rice and others,	-	}	Consideration.
Duxbury <i>v.</i> Owners of "August Leffler,"	-		
London County Council <i>v.</i> Price's Patent Candle Company, Limited,		}	Further Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Wednesday the 5th of April.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Metropolitan District Railway }
Bill, } Second Reading.

Metropolitan Water Board }
(Hertford Sewerage) Bill } Second Reading (by
[H.L.], } Order).

At half-past Four o'clock.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the tests in colour and form vision to which candidates for Board of Trade certificates as Master or Mate are at present subjected, and to the form vision test which it is proposed to introduce in the year 1914; and to refer to the composition of the Departmental Committee which has been appointed by the Board of Trade to inquire into and advise upon these tests; and to move for papers.

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LORD CHANCELLOR, } Second Reading.

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Thursday the 11th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Earl of Shaftesbury</i>],	}	Report of Amendments.
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(No day named.)

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That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Lord Balfour</i>],	}	Adjourned Debate on the motion for the Second Reading.
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The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Great Northern Railway,	}	Waiting for reference to the Standing Orders Committee.
Manchester and Milford Railway, Blackburn Corporation Water, Chichester Gas, Port of London Authority, Tamworth Gas, London United Tramways, Bicester Urban District Gas, Southampton Harbour,		
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.]— (Petition for additional Provision),	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday</i> the 6 th of <i>April</i> .
Furness Railway, Marple Urban District Council Gas,		
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order, Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.], Bristol Corporation,	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.], Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Croydon and Southern District Railless Traction [H.L.], Local Authorities (Combined Drainage) [H.L.],		
Brighton District Tramways [H.L.],	}	Second Reading on the <i>second sitting day after the Recess at Easter</i> .
Professional Accountants [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],		
Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	}	Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

London Electric Railway,	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Swansea Gas [H.L.],		
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],		
Manchester Corporation [H.L.],		
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Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],		
Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.],		
Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.],		
Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
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London and South-Western Railway [H.L.],		
Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		
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Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.],		
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London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
Rochdale Market [H.L.],		
Midland Railway [H.L.],		
Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],		
Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.],		
Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.],		
Chester Water [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
Barry Railway [H.L.],		
City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],	}	
Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Warrington Corporation,
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 Municipal Elections [H.L.],
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 Handsworth Urban District Council
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 Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.],
 Swinton Urban District Council
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 Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.],
 London Cemetery Company [H.L.],
 Hastings Corporation (Water and
 Finance) [H.L.],
 Luton Water [H.L.],
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 Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],
 Rhymney Railway [H.L.],
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} Sent to the Commons.

Great Northern Railway (Ireland), — Returned to the Commons amended.

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COMMITTEES.

Thursday the 6th of April.

Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Coventry Corporation [H.L.], Felixstowe and Walton Water [H.L.],	}	Three o'clock.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.),	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.], Thames Conservancy Bill,	}	Joint Committee; half-past Eleven o'clock.
Select Committee on the House of Lords Offices,	}	A quarter before Four o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),	}	Half-past Three o'clock.
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Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 4th April.

- Sess. Numb.
 (43.) Bill — Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment: [As Amended in Committee.]
- (44.) — Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland).
- (15 *d.*) Rights of Way Bill — Amendments to be moved in Committee. (E. Camperdown; L. Eversley.)
- (41.) Harbour, &c. Bills — Return to an Order of the House of Lords, dated 27th March 1911, for Copy of the Report of the Board of Trade on the Chester Water Bill, 1911.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
 House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
 [Cd. 5437.] Church of England and other Religious Bodies in Wales and Monmouthshire (Royal Commission on) — Vol. VI. Appendices to Minutes of Evidence. Nonconformist County Statistics.
- [Cd. 5576.] Receiving House for Alien Immigrants — Departmental Committee appointed to advise the Secretary of State as to the Establishment of a Receiving House for Alien Immigrants at the Port of London. Vol. II. Minutes of Evidence.
- [Cd. 5586.] Index to Consular Reports — Index to Reports of His Majesty's Diplomatic and Consular Representatives Abroad on Trade and Subjects of General Interest (with Appendix), 1910.
- [Cd. 5605.] Education (Scotland) — Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 27th March 1911, Amending the Terms of Articles 19 and 32 of the Code of Regulations for Day Schools, with Reference to the proportion of Pupils to School Staff.
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HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

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Sess. Numb.

- [133.] Bill — Public Health (Sewers and Drains).
[149.] — Copyright.

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- [146.] Bill — Easter Offerings (Exemption from Taxation).
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Die Martis, 4° Aprilis 1911.

Imperial Defence.

Moved, to resolve, That, in view of the altered strategic conditions in Europe, this House views with grave and growing concern the inadequate military arrangements of His Majesty's Government for the Defence of this country and of His Majesty's Oversea Dominions — (*The Earl Roberts*); objected to: On question?

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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Die Mercurii, 5° Aprilis 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Tamworth Colliery Company, Limited *v.* Hall — Set down for hearing (*ex parte*).
2. Arthur *v.* Henderson — Petition of the Appellant that the time for giving the usual security for costs required by Standing Order No. IV. and for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 10th day of June next (the agents for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
3. Viscount Bangor — Report made from the Lord Chancellor that the right of Maxwell Richard Crosbie, Viscount Bangor, in the Peerage of Ireland, to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland, has been established to the satisfaction of the Lord Chancellor; read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
4. Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bill — For petition respecting, *see* page 484.
5. **Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill,** { Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; and *referred* to the Examiners.
6. **Rochdale Market Bill** [H.L.], { *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
7. **Midland Railway Bill** [H.L.], { *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
8. **Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) Bill** [H.L.], { *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
9. **Chester Water Bill** [H.L.], { *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
10. **Barry Railway Bill** [H.L.], { *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
11. **Croydon and Southern District Railless Traction Bill** [H.L.], { The Chairman of Committees informed the House that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: Order for the Second Reading To-morrow, *discharged*: Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with.
12. **Metropolitan District Railway Bill,** { Read 2^a, and *committed*: The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.

13. Metropolitan Water Board (Hertford Sewerage) Bill [H.L.],
14. Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation Bill [H.L.],
15. Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill [H.L.],
16. Japan, No. 1. (1911) — Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Great Britain and Japan; signed at London, 3rd April 1911, together with a Prefatory Note and Appendices:
17. Coal Mines Bill — Coal Mines Bill and Table of Comparison showing the amendments of the existing Law:
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
18. Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909 — Treasury Minute, dated 4th April 1911, under section 2 (5) of the Act: Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
19. Board of Trade (Sight Tests) — *Moved*, That there be laid before the House papers relating to the tests in colour and form vision to which candidates for Board of Trade certificates as Master or Mate are at present subjected, and to the form vision test which it is proposed to introduce in the year 1914 (The Lord Muskerry); objected to; and, after short debate, motion (by leave of the House) *withdrawn*.
20. Wheelwright Grammar Schools — *Moved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying His Majesty to withhold His consent to the Scheme settled by the Board of Education in the matter of the Wheelwright Grammar Schools at Dewsbury, in the West Riding of the county of York (The Earl of Dartmouth): After short debate, *agreed to*, and ordered accordingly: And the said Address to be presented to His Majesty by the Lords with White Staves.
21. County Courts Bill [H.L.],
22. *Moved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying His Majesty to withhold his consent from so much of the scheme settled by the Board of Education for the administration of the Educational Foundation of Ellin Humphrey, in the parishes of Llanenddwyn and Llanddwywe, in the county of Merioneth, as is contained in the proviso to clause 19 (b) of the said scheme (The Earl of Plymouth): After short debate, *agreed to*, and ordered accordingly: And the said Address to be presented to His Majesty by the Lords with White Staves.

The Chairman of Committees informed the House that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: Order of the Day for the Second Reading read, and *discharged*: Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with.

To be read 2^a *To-morrow*.

Order for receiving the Report of Amendments on Thursday the 11th of May next, *discharged*.

Order of the Day for the Second Reading, read: *Moved*, That the Bill be now read 2^a: After debate, *agreed to*: Bill read 2^a accordingly, and *committed* to a Committee of the Whole House.

23. **Small Holdings and Allotments Bill** [H.L.],
24. **Poultry Bill** [H.L.],
- A Bill to repeal subsection 3 of section forty-one of the Small Holdings and Allotments Act, 1908 — Was *presented* by the Earl Carrington; read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N^o 46.)
- A Bill to enable Orders to be made under the Diseases of Animals Act for protecting live poultry from unnecessary suffering and for other purposes connected therewith — Was *presented* by the Earl Carrington; read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N^o 47.)

House adjourned at a quarter before Eight o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

5th April.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

<u>NAME OF BILL.</u>	<u>PETITIONERS.</u>	<u>BY WHOM DEPOSITED.</u>
Bristol Corporation -	Owners of properties and ratepayers in City of Bristol.	Rees and Freres.

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Thursday the 6th of April.

Board of Education <i>v.</i> Rice and others,	-	}	Consideration.
Duxbury <i>v.</i> Owners of "August Leffler,"	-		
London County Council <i>v.</i> Price's Patent Candle Company, Limited,		}	Further Hearing.

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for Thursday the 6th of April.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Bristol Corporation Bill,	- Second Reading.
Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.],	} Second Reading (by Order).
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.],	
Local Authorities (Combined Drainage) Bill [H.L.],	
City of London (Various Powers) Bill [H.L.], - (Amendments to be pro- posed),	} Third Reading.
Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Bill [H.L.],	

At half-past Four o'clock.

Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bills — THE CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES to move, That Standing Orders Nos. 92. and 93. be suspended; and that the time for depositing petitions praying to be heard against Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bills, also the time for depositing Documents relating to any Order under The Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, which would otherwise expire during the adjournment of the House at Easter, be extended to the first day on which the House shall sit after the Recess.

Rights of Way Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD EVERSLEY],	} Committee.
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Pay- ment Confirmation) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	} Second Reading.

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The Lord Newton — To ask His Majesty's Government if they are able to state the nature of the compensation which the Bagdad Railway Company is entitled to obtain from the Turkish Government on account of the renunciation of the right to construct the section of the line from Bagdad to the Persian Gulf.

The Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*) — To move, That the Lord Balfour be appointed to take the Chair in all Committees of this House from Easter until further order.

The Lord Amptill — To ask the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies —

1. Whether the Immigration Bill recently introduced into the Parliament of the Union of South Africa had previously been approved of by His Majesty's Government, and whether the measure referred to imposes or may impose any disabilities upon the British Indians lawfully domiciled in the Cape and Natal provinces, from which they were free under the Immigration Laws of these States which are repealed by the new Bill.
 2. Whether the Immigration Laws of the Cape and Natal repealed or about to be repealed by the new Immigration Law of the South African Union Parliament exempted domiciled British Indian residents, their wives and children from the tests imposed upon fresh immigrants; and whether it is a fact that under the new law such people, once they are out of the Union may be prevented returning if they fail to pass any education test the Immigration Officer chooses to apply to them.
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BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Monday the 1st of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To refer to the account (presented by His Majesty's command) of the sums received and paid in respect of wages and effects of deceased seamen in the year ended 31st March 1910, and to the unclaimed balance of 15,755*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* which has accumulated since the year 1904; to ask whether unclaimed balances of this kind are devoted to purposes of material advantage to seamen, and if not, whether the President of the Board of Trade will consider the desirability of so doing.

The Duke of Marlborough — To call attention to the unanimous resolution of the last Imperial Conference, that "it is desirable to encourage British emigrants to proceed to British Colonies rather than to foreign countries"; and to enquire whether His Majesty's Government are still of this opinion; and, if so, whether they have taken or intend to take any steps to give effect to it.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh*], } Committee.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Dunmore (E. Dunmore)*], } Second Reading; and the Lord Dunmore (*E. Dunmore*), in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Education (School Attendance) Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Saye and Sele*], } Second Reading.

Wednesday the 3rd of May.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Malmesbury*], } Second Reading.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] — The Earl Carrington, on the motion for the Second Reading, to move to resolve, That this House is not prepared to give its consent to a Bill which entails a new and very onerous burden upon the Public Revenue until adequate financial provision has been made by Parliament to enable its provisions to be carried into effect.

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That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Great Northern Railway,	} Waiting for reference to the Standing Orders Committee.
Manchester and Milford Railway, Tamworth Gas, London United Tramways, Bicester Urban District Gas, Southampton Harbour,	} Referred to the Examiners.
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),	} To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 6th of April.</i>
Furness Railway, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, Chichester Gas, Port of London Authority, Weston-super-Mare Gas,	} To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 27th of April.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.], Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order,	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Brighton District Tramways [H.L.],	} Second Reading on the <i>second sitting day after the Recess at Easter.</i>
Professional Accountants [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	} Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

London Electric Railway,	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Swansea Gas [H.L.],		
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],		
Manchester Corporation [H.L.],		
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],		
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board [H.L.],		
Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],		
Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.],		
Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.],		
Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],		
London and South-Western Railway [H.L.],		
Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		
Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],		
Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.],		
Hebburn Urban District Council, Metropolitan District Railway,		
Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment [H.L.],		
London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.],		
Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],		
Warrington Corporation,		
Great Western Railway [H.L.],		
Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.],		
Rochdale Market [H.L.],		
Chester Water [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.],		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Perjury [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Municipal Elections [H.L.],		
Parsonages [H.L.],		
Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.],		
Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Ely Rural District Water [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.],		
Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.],		
London Cemetery Company [H.L.],		
Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.],		
Luton Water [H.L.],		
Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],		
Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],		
Rhymney Railway [H.L.],		
Enfield Gas [H.L.],		

Great Northern Railway (Ireland), - Returned to the Commons amended.

COMMITTEES.

Thursday the 6th of April.

Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Coventry Corporation [H.L.], Felixstowe and Walton Water [H.L.],	}	Three o'clock.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.),	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.], Thames Conservancy Bill,	}	Joint Committee; half-past Eleven o'clock.
Select Committee on the House of Lords Offices,	}	A quarter before Four o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),	}	Half-past Three o'clock.
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Friday the 28th of April.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 5th April.

- Sess. Numb.
(28.) Irish Universities Act, 1908 — Statute B. for University College, Galway.
- [Cd. 5555.] Treaty Series, No. 6. (1911) — Treaties, &c. between the United Kingdom and Foreign States. Accessions, Withdrawals, &c. (In continuation of Treaty Series, Nos. 5 and 6 (1910)).

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
[Cd. 5570.] Irish Land Commission — Return of Proceedings under the Land Laws Acts, the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, and the Land Purchase Acts, during the month of July, 1910.
- [Cd. 5581.] West Africa — Correspondence relating to the recent Outbreak of Yellow Fever in West Africa.
- [Cd. 5585.] Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Agricultural Statistics, 1910. Vol. XLV. Part I. Acreage and Live Stock Returns of Great Britain; with Summaries for the United Kingdom.
- [Cd. 5589.] Prison Libraries Committee — Report of the Departmental Committee on the supply of Books to the Prisoners in His Majesty's Prisons and to the Inmates of His Majesty's Borstal Institutions.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 4th April.

- Sess. Numb.
[136.] Bill — Angling Associations (Scotland).
[140.] — Money Lenders.
[143.] — Abolition of Vivisection.

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Jovis, 6° Aprilis 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Board of Education *v.* Rice and others — *Considered*: Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
2. Duxbury *v.* Owners of "August Leffler" — *Considered*: Order appealed from *reversed*; the Respondents to pay to the Appellant his costs both here and below.
3. London County Council *v.* Price's Patent Candle Company, Limited — Counsel called in, and having stated to the House that an agreement had been come to between the parties, and having submitted to the House the terms of the said agreement, judgment given in accordance therewith.
4. Caledonian Railway Company *v.* Glenboig Union Fireclay Company, Limited — To be heard on *Thursday* the 27th instant.
5. Mackay (pauper) *v.* Rosie — Set down for hearing (ex parte).
6. Swifte *v.* Attorney-General and another — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 20th day of this instant April (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
7. Viscount Bangor — Ordered, That the Report of the Lord Chancellor of the United Kingdom, made to the House of Lords on Wednesday last, that the right of the Viscount Bangor to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland has been established to his satisfaction, be sent to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, together with a certificate stating that such report has been made, and that the House has ordered it to be sent to the said Clerk of the Crown in Ireland.
8. Military Manœuvres Act, 1897 — His Majesty's answer to the Address of Tuesday last delivered by the Lord Steward (*E. Chesterfield*), and read as follows —
 "I have received your Address praying that I will make the Orders in Council under the Military Manœuvres Act, 1897, the drafts of which were presented to your Lordships' House on the 7th of February last. I will comply with your advice."
9. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate from the Examiners that the Standing Orders applicable in the case of the petition for additional Provision in the following Bill have not been complied with:
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.]
 The same was ordered to lie on the Table.
10. Standing Orders Committee — Report from, That the Standing Orders not complied with in respect of the petition for additional Provision in the
Aberdare Urban District Council Bill [H.L.]
 ought to be dispensed with and leave given to the Committee on the Bill to insert the additional Provision.
 Read, and *agreed to*.
11. **Sidmouth Gas and Electricity Bill** [H.L.], } *Reported* from the Select Com-
 } mittee, with amendments.

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| 12. Oystermouth Urban District Council Bill [H.L.], | } Reported, with amendments. |
| 13. Luton Gas Bill [H.L.], | |
| 14. Coventry Corporation Bill [H.L.], | } Reported, with amendments. |
| 15. Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [H.L.], | |
| 16. Westbury Estate, | } Petition for a Private Bill; together with a copy of the proposed Bill annexed thereto; read, and referred to two English Judges. |
| 17. Great Northern Railway Bill, | |
| 18. Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision), | } Examiner's Certificates of non-compliance with the Standing Orders referred to the Standing Orders Committee on <i>Thursday</i> the 27th instant. |
| 19. Bristol Corporation Bill, | |
| 20. Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.], | } Read 2 ^a , and committed: The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection. |
| 21. Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.], | |
| 22. Local Authorities (Combined Drainage) Bill [H.L.], | } Second Reading (which stands appointed for this day) <i>put off</i> to <i>Thursday</i> the 27th instant. |
| ceed further with the Bill: Order of the Day for the Second Reading read, and <i>discharged</i> : Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with. | |
| 23. City of London (Various Powers) Bill [H.L.], | } The Chairman of Committees informed the House that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: Order of the Day for the Second Reading read, and <i>discharged</i> : Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with. |
| 24. Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Bill [H.L.], | |
| 25. Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill [H.L.], | } Read 3 ^a : Amendments made: Bill <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |
| 26. North Eastern Railway Bill [H.L.], | |
| 27. Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees, and Thornaby Tramways Bill [H.L.], | } Read 3 ^a , and <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |
| 28. Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Bill [H.L.], | |
| 29. Kingston-upon-Hull Corporation Bill [H.L.], | } The Report of Amendments to be received on <i>Wednesday</i> the 10th of <i>May</i> next. |
| 30. Hebburn Urban District Council Bill, | |
| 31. London and South-Western Railway Bill [H.L.], | } Report from the Committee of Selection, That the following Lords be proposed to the House to form the Select Committee for the consideration of the said Bills; (<i>viz.</i>), |
| 32. Bristol Corporation Bill, | |

E. Fitzwilliam,
 V. Hood,
 L. Aberdare,
 L. St. Levan,
 L. Sanderson (chairman);

agreed to; and the said Lords appointed accordingly: The Committee to meet on *Tuesday* the *2nd of May* next, at Eleven o'clock; and all Petitions *referred* to the Committee, with leave to the Petitioners praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bills to be heard as desired, as also Counsel for the Bills.

33. **Swansea Gas Bill** [H.L.],
 34. **Star Life Assurance Society Bill** [H.L.],
 35. **Rhondda Urban District Council Bill** [H.L.],
 36. **Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill** [H.L.],
 37. **Dundee Harbour (Constitution) Bill** [H.L.],
 38. **Manchester Corporation Bill** [H.L.],
 39. **Chapel-en-lè-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill** [H.L.],

Report from the Committee of Selection, That the following Lords be proposed to the House to form the Select Committee for the consideration of the said Bills; (viz.),

E. Lytton,
 E. Londesborough,
 L. Silchester (*E. Longford*),
 L. Leigh,
 L. Wenlock (chairman);

agreed to; and the said Lords appointed accordingly: The Committee to meet on *Tuesday* the *9th of May* next, at Eleven o'clock; and all Petitions *referred* to the Committee, with leave to the Petitioners praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bills to be heard as desired, as also Counsel for the Bills.

40. **Rhymney Valley Water Board Bill** [H.L.],
 41. **Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water Bill** [H.L.],
 42. **Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board Bill** [H.L.],
 43. **Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board Bill** [H.L.],

Report from the Committee of Selection, That the following Lords be proposed to the House to form the Select Committee for the consideration of the said Bills; (viz.),

D. Northumberland (chairman),
 E. Leven and Melville,
 E. Cathcart,
 V. Hampden,
 L. Dawnay (*V. Downe*);

agreed to; and the said Lords appointed accordingly: The Committee to meet on *Tuesday* the *9th of May* next, at Eleven o'clock; and all Petitions *referred* to the Committee, with leave to the Petitioners praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bills to be heard as desired, as also Counsel for the Bills.

44. Dominions, No. 6—Report on the Dominions Department of the Colonial Office for 1910–1911. (For Report for 1909–1910, *see* Dominions, No. 2 [Cd. 5135.]):
45. Trade Reports (Annual Series)—No. 4629. Belgium (Shipping and Navigation of Port of Antwerp, 1910):
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
46. India (Loans raised in England)—Return of all loans raised in England chargeable on the revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended on 31st March 1911, &c.: Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
47. Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bills—Ordered, That Standing Orders Nos. 92. and 93. be suspended; and that the time for depositing petitions praying to be heard against Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bills, also the time for depositing documents relating to any Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, which would otherwise expire during the adjournment of the House at Easter, be extended to the first day on which the House shall sit after the Recess.
48. **Rights of Way Bill** [H.L.],
 resolve itself into Committee; objected to; and, an Amendment *moved* to leave out from (“that”) to the end of the motion and insert (“it is “desirable that the Bill be referred to a Joint-Committee of both “Houses of Parliament”) (The Viscount Haldane); *agreed to*: Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Commons to communicate this resolution, and to desire their concurrence. } Order of the Day for the House to be put into Committee read: *Moved*, that the House do now
49. **Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation Bill** [H.L.], } Order of the Day for the Second Reading read, and *discharged*.
50. Chairman of Committees — *Moved*, That the Lord Balfour be appointed to take the Chair in all Committees of this House from Easter until further order (The Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)); *agreed to*, and ordered accordingly.
51. **Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill** [H.L.], } A Bill to amend the law with respect to the sale of fertilizers, feeding stuffs, dips seeds, and other articles sold for agricultural purposes — Was *presented* by the Lord Clinton; read 1^a; and to be *printed*. (N^o 48.)

House adjourned at a quarter past Five o'clock, to Wednesday, the 26th instant,
 a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

C A U S E.

Thursday the 27th of April.

Caledonian Railway Company *v.* Glenboig Union Fireclay } Hearing.
Company, Limited, - }

 BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Monday the 1st of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To refer to the account (presented by His Majesty's command) of the sums received and paid in respect of wages and effects of deceased seamen in the year ended 31st March 1910, and to the unclaimed balance of 15,755*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* which has accumulated since the year 1904; to ask whether unclaimed balances of this kind are devoted to purposes of material advantage to seamen, and if not, whether the President of the Board of Trade will consider the desirability of so doing.

The Duke of Marlborough — To call attention to the unanimous resolution of the last Imperial Conference, that "it is desirable to encourage British emigrants to proceed to British Colonies rather than to foreign countries"; and to enquire whether His Majesty's Government are still of this opinion; and, if so, whether they have taken or intend to take any steps to give effect to it.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh*], } Committee.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Dunmore (E. Dunmore)*], } Second Reading; and the Lord Dunmore (*E. Dunmore*), in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Education (School Attendance) Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Saye and Sele*], } Second Reading.

Wednesday the 3rd of May.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Malmesbury*], } Second Reading.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] — The Earl Carrington, on the motion for the Second Reading, to move to resolve, That this House is not prepared to give its consent to a Bill which entails a new and very onerous burden upon the Public Revenue until adequate financial provision has been made by Parliament to enable its provisions to be carried into effect.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] — The Earl of Malmesbury in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 10th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903)	}	Report of Amendments.
Amendment Bill [H.L.] [The		
<i>Earl of Shaftesbury</i>],		

(No day named.)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.]	}	Adjourned Debate on the motion for the Second Reading.
[<i>The Lord Balfour</i>],		

The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

BILLS IN PROGRESS.

London United Tramways,	- Referred to the Examiners.
Manchester and Milford Railway, Tamworth Gas, Bicester Urban District Gas, Southampton Harbour, Furness Railway, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, Chichester Gas, Port of London Authority, Weston-super-Mare Gas,	} To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 27th of April.</i>
Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.], Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.], Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order, Board of Education Scheme (Aln- wick Corporation Payment) Con- firmation [H.L.],	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Brighton District Tramways [H.L.], Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.],	} Second Reading on <i>Thursday the 27th of April.</i>
Rights of Way [H.L.],	- Referred to a Joint Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	} Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

London Electric Railway, Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.], Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway,	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
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Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
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London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Coventry Corporation [H.L.], Felixstowe and Walton Water [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Warrington Corporation, Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.],	}	- - - Waiting for Third Reading.
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Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
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BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],		
Rhydney Railway [H.L.],		
Enfield Gas [H.L.],		
City of London (Various Powers)		
[H.L.],		
Alexandra (Newport and South	}	
Wales) Docks and Railway		
[H.L.],		

Great Northern Railway (Ireland), - Returned to the Commons amended.

COMMITTEES.

Friday the 7th of April.

Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],
Thames Conservancy Bill, } Joint Committee;
Eleven o'clock.

Thursday the 27th of April.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Great Northern Railway.
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision).

Friday the 28th of April

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } Half-past
Eleven o'clock.

Monday the 1st of May.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), } Select Committee;
Twelve o'clock.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],
Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees,
and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],
Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.],
*Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.],
*Hebburn Urban District Council,
*London and South-Western Railway [H.L.],
*Bristol Corporation, } Select Committee;
Eleven o'clock.

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

COMMITTEES — *continued.**Tuesday the 9th of May.*

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],		
*Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board [H.L.],		
*Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
*Manchester Corporation [H.L.],		
*Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 6th April.

- Sess. Numb.
(15 e.) Rights of Way Bill -- Amendments to be moved in Committee (L. Eversley). (*In substitution for the Amendments previously circulated*).
- (3.) Irish Universities Act, 1908 — Additional Statute for the Queen's University of Belfast.
- (25.) Ditto — Statutes for the Queen's University of Belfast.
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PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
[Cd. 5610.] Railway Accidents — Report by Lieutenant-Colonel Druitt, R.E., on the fatal collision that occurred on the 23rd January 1911 between a passenger train and a mineral train, at Coke Ovens, near Pontypridd, on the Taff Valley Railway.
- [Cd. 5612.] England and Wales — Statement with regard to Persons in receipt of Poor Law Relief on 31st December 1910, who received Old Age Pensions and ceased to be chargeable to Guardians during the Four Weeks ended 28th January 1911.
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HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPER,

delivered 5th April.

- Sess. Numb.
[117.] Bill — Education (School Attendance).
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kerrison <i>v.</i> Glyn, Mills, Currie, and Company (England) (lodged 10th April 1911), 2. Allen and others <i>v.</i> Bird (England), 3. Guardians of the Poor of Hackney Union <i>v.</i> Kingston-upon-Hull Incorporation for the Poor (England), 4. William Edge and Sons, Limited <i>v.</i> William Niccolls and Sons, Limited, 5. Fletcher (formerly Hewitt) and others (paupers) <i>v.</i> Owners of Ship "Duchess" (ex parte), 6. Swifte <i>v.</i> Attorney-General for Ireland and another (ex parte), 7. Murphy <i>v.</i> Attorney-General for Ireland (on behalf of His Majesty), 8. T. W. Thomas and Company, Limited <i>v.</i> Portsea Steamship Company, Limited (ex parte), | } | <p>Appeals <i>presented</i>, and read; and the Respondents in each Appeal ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Wednesday the 7th day of June next.</p> |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Symington <i>v.</i> Caledonian Railway Company — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 18th day of May next (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed. 10. Glasgow and South-Western Railway Company <i>v.</i> Provost, &c. of Burgh of Ayr — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 19th day of May next (the agent for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed. 11. Earl of Egmont — Report made from the Lord Chancellor that the right of Charles John, Earl of Egmont, in the Peerage of Ireland, to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland, has been established to the satisfaction of the Lord Chancellor; read, and ordered to lie on the Table. 12. Several Lords — Took the Oath. | } | <p>Set down for hearing.</p> |

13. Horatio Herbert Baron Kitchener of Khartoum, and of Aspull in the County of Suffolk, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., O.M., General in the Army, lately Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Forces in South Africa, having been created Viscount Kitchener of Khartoum, and of the Vaal in the Colony of the Transvaal, and of Aspull in the County of Suffolk — Was (in the usual manner) introduced.

14. The Lord Lochee — Took the Oath.

15. Representative Peer for Ireland — Writs and Returns electing the Lord Kilmaine a representative Peer for Ireland in the room of the Viscount Bangor, deceased, with the certificate of the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland annexed thereto: *Delivered* (on oath), and certificate read.

16. Private Bill — For petition respecting, *see* page 515.

17. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in respect of the petition for additional Provision in the following Bill:

Halifax Corporation.

The same was ordered to lie on the Table.

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| 18. Manchester Ship Canal Bill
[H.L.], | } | <i>Reported</i> , with amendments. |
| 19. Brighton District Tramways Bill [H.L.], | } | The Chairman of Committees informed the House that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: Order for the Second Reading To-morrow, <i>discharged</i> : Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with. |
| 20. Lloyds Bill [H.L.], | } | Committee to meet on <i>Tuesday</i> next. |
| 21. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill,
the Bill the opposition thereto having | } | Report from the Select Committee, That the Committee had not proceeded with the consideration of been <i>withdrawn</i> ; read, and ordered to lie on the Table: The orders made on the 18th and 21st of March last <i>discharged</i> , and Bill <i>committed</i> . |
| 22. Great Western Railway Bill
[H.L.], | } | Read 3 ^a , and <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |
| 23. Army (Annual) Bill, | - | Brought from the Commons. |
| 24. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill, | } | Brought from the Commons; read 1 ^a ; to be <i>printed</i> ; and <i>referred</i> to the Examiners.
(N ^o 50.) |
| 25. Gas Light and Coke Company Bill, | } | |
| 26. Ipswich Corporation Bill, | } | |
| 27. Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District) Bill, | } | Brought from the Commons; read 1 ^a ; and <i>referred</i> to the Examiners. |
| 28. Upper Medway Conservancy Bill, | } | |

29. Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board Bill,
30. Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill,
31. Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill,
32. Paignton Urban District Council Bill,
33. Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer) Bill,
34. Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill,
35. Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill,
36. Northampton Corporation Bill,
37. Great Northern Railway (Ireland) Bill,

Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; and referred to the Examiners.

Returned from the Commons, with the amendments, *agreed to*.

38. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House that the following Papers, having been commanded to be presented to this House by His Majesty, had been so presented on the following dates by delivery to the Clerk of the Parliaments, pursuant to Standing Order No. CXI., viz.:
1. Local Government Board (Scotland) — Sixteenth Annual Report of the Local Government Board for Scotland, 1910. (April 6);
 2. Board of Trade (Labour Department) (Directory of Industrial Associations) — Directory of Industrial Associations in the United Kingdom for 1911. (April 6);
 3. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
 - No. 4630. China (Chinkiang, 1910). (April 20);
 - No. 4631. China (Ichang and Shasi, 1910). (April 8);
 - No. 4632. Chile (Consular District of Coquimbo, 1910). (April 12);
 - No. 4633. Chile (Consular District of Antofagasta, 1910). (April 20);
 - No. 4634. United States (Consular District of Baltimore (comprising the States of Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia), 1910). (April 22);
 4. Census of Production (1907) — Preliminary tables summarising the results of the returns received under the Census of Production Act, 1906. Part VIII. (April 11);
 5. Irish Land Commission —
 - I. Return of advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of February 1910. (April 12);
 - II. (Proceedings). Return for the month of August 1910. (April 11);
 6. Commercial, No. 2. (1911) — Report of the British Delegate to the International Sugar Commission, February 1911 (in continuation of "Commercial, No. 5. (1910)" [Cd. 5393.] (April 12);
 7. Army, 1911-1912 — Approximate estimate of expenditure under the Military Works Acts of 1897, 1899, 1901, and 1903. (April 12);
 8. Board of Education — Report of the Departmental Committee on the Science Museum and the Geological Museum. (April 12);
 9. Metropolitan Police (Evidence at Trial of Stinie Morrison) — Report of the inquiry held by George Cave, Esq., K.C., M.P., into the evidence given by the police at the trial of Stinie Morrison. (April 20);

10. Canals and Waterways (Royal Commission) — Final Report on the Canals and Inland Navigations of Ireland from the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report on the Canals and Inland Navigations of the United Kingdom. Volume XI. (April 20);
11. Railway Accidents — 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 1910, in pursuance of the Regulation of Railways Act (1871). (April 20);
12. Public Trustee — Third General Report by the Public Trustee. (April 20);
13. Prisons (England and Wales) (Preventive Detention) — Circular issued by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to Police Authorities indicating the practice to be observed in presenting cases of habitual criminals to the Director of Public Prosecutions under the Prevention of Crime Act, 1908. (April 22);
14. Netherlands (Proposed New Customs Tariff) — Translation of the proposed new General Customs Tariff of the Netherlands, with comparison, as far as possible, of the proposed new rates of Customs Duty with the rates at present in force on imports into the Netherlands from the United Kingdom. (April 25);
15. Departmental Committee on Railway Agreements and Amalgamations — Report of the Departmental Committee on Railway Agreements and Amalgamations. (April 25):

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

39. Trade Reports (Miscellaneous) — No. 679. Japan (Report on the oil industry of Echigo):
40. Miscellaneous, No. 5. (1911) — Conventions for the unification of certain rules of law respecting —
 1. Collisions;
 2. Assistance and salvage at sea;
 Signed at Brussels 23rd September 1910, and documents relating thereto:
41. Shops Bill — Deputations received at the Home Office since the introduction of the 1910 Bill:
42. Irish Land Commission — Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of March 1910:

Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
43. Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908 — Account showing receipts and expenditure on account of proceedings in connection with the winding-up of Companies under the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, during the Year ended 31st March 1911:
44. Bankruptcy Act, 1883 (Proceedings) — Account showing the receipts and expenditure on account of Bankruptcy proceedings during the Year ended 31st March 1911:
45. Greek Loan of 1898 — Account up to 31st March 1911:
46. Egyptian Guaranteed Loan of 1885 — Account up to 31st March 1911:
47. Penal Servitude Acts, 1853 to 1891 (Conditional Licence) — Licence granted to Emily Joyce under the Penal Servitude Acts, 1853–1891, to which are annexed conditions other than those contained in Schedule A. of the Penal Servitude Act, 1864:
48. Shop Hours Act, 1904 —
 1. Order by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 23rd March 1911, providing for the early closing of certain classes of shops in the Burgh of Forfar;
 2. Order made by the Council of the Borough of Cheltenham and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of shops within the borough:

49. Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 and 1906 — Order in Council, dated 22nd March 1911, making regulations as to the registration of government ships as British ships under the Merchant Shipping Acts :
50. Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865 — Orders in Council, dated 22nd March 1911, sanctioning —
1. Certain regulations placing the Royal Naval Auxiliary Sick Berth Reserve on the same footing as the Volunteer Reserve as regards compensation for sickness or injuries and pensions or gratuities ;
 2. The grant of a certain allowance to “ Mounted Officers ” of the Royal Marines ;
 3. An increase in the number of and the scale of pensions payable to head wardmasters on the sick berth staff :
51. Lunacy — Rules made by the Commissioners in Lunacy with the approval of the Lord Chancellor, dated 26th June 1895. New Form in substitution for Rule 27 (2), Form 21 :
52. Land Registry — Account of receipts and payments in respect of land registry for the year ended 31st March 1911 :
53. High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal — Account prepared in pursuance of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1875, showing the receipts and expenditure in respect of the High Court of Justice and the Court of Appeal during the year ended the 31st March 1911 :
54. Factory and Workshop —
1. (Special Exception—Night Work) — Order dated 10th April 1911, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of Section 54, sub-section 4, of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, extending the special exception by which a male young person may be employed during the night to male young persons of the age of sixteen years and upwards employed in the process of making artificial silk fibre carried on in non-textile factories ;
 2. (Scheme for Regulation of Hours of Employment, &c. in Charitable Institution)—Scheme for the regulation of the holidays of the workers in the laundry and hours of employment of persons who light the laundry fires, in respect of the St. Saviour’s laundries at Walton Street, St. Albans, and George Street, Hemel Hempstead, approved by the Secretary of State, in pursuance of powers conferred on him by section 5 (2) (a) of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1907 :
55. Post Office (Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post—Katanqa) — The Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 41) Warrant, 1911. Dated 22nd February 1911.
56. Employers Liability Insurance Companies — Statements deposited with the Board of Trade in pursuance of the Employers Liability Insurance Companies Act, 1907, and the Employers Liability Insurance Companies (Adaptation of Enactments) Order, 1907, during the year ended 31st December 1910 :
- Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
57. Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 — Statute made by the Governing Body of Worcester College, Oxford, on the 30th November 1910, and sealed on the 9th December 1910, amending certain of the Statutes of the College: Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and to be *printed*. (N° 51.)

58. Army (Annual) Bill,

{ Read 1^a; to be *printed*; to be
read 2^a *To-morrow* (The Viscount
Haldane) and Standing Order
No. **XXXIX**. to be considered
in order to its being dispensed
with. (No. 49.)

House adjourned at half-past Four o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

26th April.

IN FAVOUR OF DISPENSING WITH STANDING ORDERS.

<u>NAME OF BILL.</u>	<u>PETITIONERS.</u>	<u>BY WHOM DEPOSITED.</u>
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.]—(Petition for additional Provision).	Caledonian Railway Company and North British Railway Company.	Grahames, Currey, and Spens.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Thursday the 27th of April.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.],	} Second Reading (by Order).
Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.],	
Sidmouth Gas and Electricity Bill [H.L.],	} Third Reading.
Oystermouth Urban District Council Bill [H.L.],	
Luton Gas Bill [H.L.],	
Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory Bill [H.L.],	
Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory Bill [H.L.],	
Winchester Corporation (Elec- tric Supply) Bill [H.L.],	
Rochdale Market Bill [H.L.],	
Barry Railway Bill [H.L.],	
Warrington Corporation Bill, - (Amendments) - (Amend- ments to be proposed),	
Coventry Corporation Bill, Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill,	

At half-past Four o'clock.

Army (Annual) Bill [THE VISCOUNT HALDANE],	} Second Reading; and Standing Order No. XXXIX. to be con- sidered in order to its being dispensed with.
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BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Monday the 1st of May — continued.

B.—*Illegitimate.*

UNION.	Children.						
	Male.	Female.	Sick.	Healthy.	Ages.		
					Under 2 Years.	Over 2 Years, under 10 Years.	Over 10 Years.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	

(Continued)

Children— <i>continued.</i>					Mothers.				Children Deserted.
Length of Time in Workhouse.					In Maternity Ward.	Sick.	Healthy.	Alive, not in Workhouse.	
Under 1 Month.	Over 1 Month, under 3 Months.	Over 3 Months, under 6 Months.	Over 6 Months, under 1 Year.	Over 1 Year.					(13)
(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)					(17)

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh*], } Committee.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Dunmore (E. Dunmore)*], }
 Second Reading ; and the Lord Dunmore (*E. Dunmore*), in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Education (School Attendance) Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Saye and Sele*], } Second Reading.

Wednesday the 3rd of May.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Malmesbury*], } Second Reading.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 3rd of May — continued.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] — The Earl Carrington, on the motion for the Second Reading, to move to resolve, That this House is not prepared to give its consent to a Bill which entails a new and very onerous burden upon the Public Revenue until adequate financial provision has been made by Parliament to enable its provisions to be carried into effect.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] — The Earl of Malmesbury in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Thursday the 4th of May.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To call attention to the deficiency of trained horses for the Cavalry Division; and to ask the Under-Secretary of State for War whether he proposes to rely on untrained horses to fill up the deficiency on mobilisation.

Wednesday the 10th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903)	}	Report of Amendments.
Amendment Bill [H.L.] [The		
Earl of Shaftesbury],		

(No day named.)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) --- To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.), Northampton Corporation, Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way, Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer), Paignton Urban District Council, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Gas Light and Coke Company, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District), Upper Medway Conservancy, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways,	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Manchester and Milford Railway, Tamworth Gas, Bicester Urban District Gas, Southampton Harbour, Furness Railway, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, Chichester Gas, Port of London Authority, Weston-super-Mare Gas,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 27th of April.</i>
London United Tramways,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Monday the 1st of May next.</i>
Halifax Corporation — (Petition for additional Provision),	}	Waiting for reference to Standing Orders Committee.
Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.], Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisi- tion) [H.L.], Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order, Board of Education Scheme (Aln- wick Corporation Payment) Con- firmation [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Second Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Rights of Way [H.L.],	- Referred to a Joint Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	} Committed.
London Electric Railway, Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.], Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway,	} Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Thorney Drainage [H.L.], London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],	} Waiting for Report.
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],	} Waiting for Third Reading.
Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
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Great Northern Railway (Ireland), - Waiting for Royal Assent.

 COMMITTEES.

Thursday the 27th of April.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	}	Joint Committee; half-past Eleven o'clock.
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STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Great Northern Railway, Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.]—(Petition for additional Provision),	}	Three o'clock.
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Friday the 28th of April.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Lloyds [H.L.],	}	Half-past Three o'clock.
North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], *Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], *Hebburn Urban District Council, *London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], *Bristol Corporation,	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

COMMITTEES—*continued.**Tuesday the 9th of May.*

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee Eleven o'clock.
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],		
*Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board [H.L.],		
*Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
*Manchester Corporation [H.L.], *Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 7th April.

- Sess. Numb.
[Cd. 5556.] Japan, No. 1 (1911) — Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Great Britain and Japan; signed at London, 3rd April 1911; together with a Prefatory Note and Appendices.

11th April.

- (45.) Bill — Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition).

14th April.

- [Cd. 5582.] Dominions, No. 6 — Report on the Dominions Department of the Colonial Office for 1910–1911.

22nd April.

- [Cd. 5557.] Commercial, No. 2 (1911) — Report of the British Delegate to the International Sugar Commission, February 1911 (in continuation of “Commercial, No. 5 (1910)” [Cd. 5393]).

25th April.

- (48.) Bill — Sales for Agricultural Purposes.

26th April.

- (47.) Bill — Poultry.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —
- [Cd. 5465–21.] Guatemala: Trade and Commerce of the Republic of Guatemala for 1909. No. 4628.
- [Cd. 5465–22.] Belgium: Shipping and Navigation of the Port of Antwerp for 1910. No. 4629.
- [Cd. 5465–23.] China: Trade of Chinkiang for 1910. No. 4630.
- [Cd. 5465–24.] China: Trade of Ichang and Shasi for 1910. No. 4631.
- [Cd. 5465–25.] Chile: Trade and Commerce of the Consular District of Coquimbo for 1910. No. 4632.
- [Cd. 5465–26.] Chile: Trade of the Consular District of Antofagasta for 1910. No. 4633.
- Colonial Reports (Annual) —
- [Cd. 5467–10.] Northern Nigeria: Report for 1909. No. 674.
- [Cd. 5421.] Public Records — Forty-second Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records and Keeper of the State Papers in Ireland.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

- Sess. Numb.
 [Cd. 5442.] Poor Laws and Relief of Distress (Royal Commission on) — Appendix, Volume XXXIV. Alphabetical Lists of Oral and Non-Oral Witnesses.
- [Cd. 5526-11.] Passengers to and from Places out of Europe — Return for the Month and Three Months ending 31st March 1911.
- [Cd. 5540.] Accidents Committee — Departmental Committee on Accidents in places under the Factory and Workshop Acts ; Minutes of Evidence and Appendix.
- [Cd. 5564.] Local Taxation (Ireland) — Returns of Local Taxation in Ireland for the Year 1909-1910, collected and compiled by desire of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, by the Local Government Board for Ireland.
- [Cd. 5572.] Pilotage — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Departmental Committee on Pilotage, and Appendices containing Documentary Evidence.
- [Cd. 5577.] Cape of Good Hope Observatory — Report of His Majesty's Astronomer for the Year, 1910.
- [Cd. 5592.] Navy (Battle Practice) — Result of Battle Practice in His Majesty's Fleet, 1910.
- [Cd. 5593.] Eighth International Penitentiary Congress — Report on the Proceedings of the Eighth International Penitentiary Congress held at Washington, October, 1910, by Sir E. Ruggles-Brise, K.C.B., President and British Representative, International Prison Commission.
- [Cd. 5595.] Expenditure under the Military Works Acts of 1897, 1899, 1901, and 1903 — Approximate Estimate, 1911-1912.
- [Cd. 5601.] Scotch Education Department — Regulations as to Grants to Secondary Schools.
- [Cd. 5602.] Minor Legal Appointments in Scotland — Report of the Committee appointed by the Secretary for Scotland.
- [Cd. 5608.] East India (Trade) — Tables relating to the Trade of British India with British Possessions and Foreign Countries, 1905-1906 to 1909-1910.
- [Cd. 5609.] Cost of Living in American Towns — Report of an Enquiry by the Board of Trade into Working Class Rents, Housing and Retail Prices, together with the Rates of Wages in certain occupations in the principal Industrial Towns of the United States of America.
- [Cd. 5611.] Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland — Tenth Annual General Report of the Department, 1909-1910.
- [Cd. 5613.] Public Health and Medical Subjects — Reports to the Local Government Board. I. On the Bleaching of Flour and the addition of so called "Improvers" to Flour, by Dr. J. M. Hamill. II. On the Chemical Changes produced in Flour by Bleaching, by Dr. G. W. Monier-Williams.
- [Cd. 5614.] Ditto — Report to the Local Government Board by Dr. J. M. Hamill on the presence of Calcium Sulphate in Baking Powder and Self-raising Flour.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

- Sess. Numb.
- [Cd. 5615.] Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Annual Report of Proceedings under the Small Holdings and Allotments Act, 1908, the Universities and College Estates Acts, the Glebe Lands Act, 1888, the Improvement of Land Acts, the Settled Land Acts, the Agricultural Holdings Acts, and certain other Acts for the Year 1910. Part I. Small Holdings.
- [Cd. 5616.] Board of Education — Report for the Year 1909–1910.
- [Cd. 5617.] Births, Deaths, and Marriages — Fifty-Sixth Annual Report of the Registrar-General on the Births, Deaths, and Marriages registered in Scotland during the Year 1910, and Forty-Sixth Annual Report on Vaccination.
- [Cd. 5618.] Coal Mines Bill — Copy of the Bill and Table of Comparison, showing the Amendments of the Existing Law.
- [Cd. 5619.] Directory of Industrial Associations (Board of Trade, Labour Department) — Directory of Industrial Associations in the United Kingdom for 1911.
- [Cd. 5621.] Census of Production (1907) — Preliminary Tables summarising the Results of the Returns received under the Census of Production Act, 1906.
- [Cd. 5623.] Public Trustee — Third General Report by the Public Trustee.
- [Cd. 5625.] Science Museum and the Geological Museum — Report of the Departmental Committee.
- [Cd. 5627.] Evidence given by the Police at the Trial of Stinie Morrison — Report of the Inquiry held by George Cave, Esq., K.C., M.P.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 6th April.

- Sess. Numb.
- [12.] Bill — Small Landholders (Scotland).
- [27.] — Local Government Qualification (England and Wales).
- [142.] — Corrupt Practices (Restriction of Subscriptions).
- [110.] Public Accounts Committee — Second Report.

8th April.

- [14.] Bill — Asylum Officers (Employment, Pensions, and Superannuation).
- [152.] — Civil Service (Women).
- [159.] — Contributory Annuities.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

10th April.

Sess. Numb.

- [11.] Bill — Poor Law (London).
 [137.] — Seafaring Men's Voting.

11th April.

- [130.] Bill — Pawning Industrial Tools.
 [153.] — Education (Girls).
 [154.] — Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women).
 [157.] — Territorial Force (Ballot).
 [160.] — Railway Clerks' Weekly Rest.

12th April.

- [163.] Bill — Clerks of the Peace and County Councils.
 [166.] — Temperance (Scotland).
 [167.] — Character Note.

19th April.

- [8.] Bill — Sweated Manufactured Goods (Importation) (Prevention).
 [30.] — Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights).
 [144.] — Wages.
 [165.] — Protection of Animals: [As Amended].
 [171.] — Marriage Law Amendment.
 [175.] — Elementary Schools (Instruction in Hygiene).
 [177.] — Merchant Shipping (Stevedores and Trimmers).
 [178.] — Aliens (Prevention of Crime).
 [63.] Civil Service Estimates, 1911-1912.

20th April.

- [10.] Bill — Police Compensation.
 [174.] — Local Authorities (Advertisement).
 [176.] — Railway Companies (Accounts and Returns).

21st April.

- [169.] Bill — Limitation of Overtime in Factories.

22nd April.

- [103.] Bill — Coal Mines Regulation.
 [168.] — Small Holdings Act (1910) Amendment.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

24th April.

- Sess. Numb.
[148.] Bill — Leaseholds Enfranchisement.
[170.] — Association of Port Sanitary Authorities.
[175.] + — Elementary Education (Instruction in Hygiene) — (*Substituted Bill*).

25th April.

- [165.] + Bill — Protection of Animals.
[180.] — County Councils (Conferences).
[181.] — Education (Provision of Meals) Act Amendment.
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Jovis, 27° Aprilis 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Caledonian Railway Company *v.* Glenboig Union Fireclay Company, Limited — In part heard, and adjourned till *To-morrow*.
 2. Pope *v.* Hill's Plymouth Company, Limited (England) — Appeal *presented*, and read; and the Respondents ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Thursday the 8th day of June next.
 3. London and South-Western Railway Company *v.* British Vacuum Cleaner Company, Limited,
 4. Brown and another *v.* Turner, Brightman, and Company (*ex parte*),
- } Set down for hearing.
5. Deeley *v.* Lloyds Bank, Limited — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging her printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 13th day of May next (the agent for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
 6. Scottish Widows Fund Life Assurance Society *v.* Blennerhassett — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended for one month after the Order to be made by this House, on the petition of the Respondents, presented 3rd April 1911 (the agents for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
 7. Kilmarnock Theatre Company, Limited (in liquidation), and others *v.* Buchanan and others — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 19th day of May next (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
 8. Earl of Egmont — Ordered, That the Report of the Lord Chancellor of the United Kingdom, made to the House of Lords on Wednesday last, that the right of the Earl of Egmont to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland has been established to his satisfaction, be sent to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, together with a certificate stating that such report has been made, and that the House has ordered it to be sent to the said Clerk of the Crown in Ireland.
 9. Private Bill — For petition respecting, *see page* 537.

10. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with :

Manchester and Milford Railway.
Tamworth Gas.
Bicester Urban District Gas.
Southampton Harbour.
Furness Railway.
Marple Urban District Council Gas.
Blackburn Corporation Water.
Chichester Gas.
Port of London Authority.
Weston-super-Mare Gas.

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

11. Standing Orders Committee — Report from, That the Standing Orders not complied with in respect of the

Great Northern Railway Bill

ought to be dispensed with, provided that there be struck out of Clause 92 of the Bill the power to the Midland Railway Company to apply their funds to the purposes of the intended Bridge :

Also that the Standing Orders not complied with in respect of the petition for additional Provision in the

Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill [H.L.]

ought to be dispensed with, and leave given to the Committee on the Bill to insert the additional Provision :

Read, and *agreed to*.

12. **Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill** [H.L.],

13. **Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction Bill** [H.L.],

14. **Sidmouth Gas and Electricity Bill** [H.L.],

15. **Oystermouth Urban District Council Bill** [H.L.],

16. **Luton Gas Bill** [H.L.],

17. **Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory Bill** [H.L.],

18. **Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory Bill** [H.L.],

19. **Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) Bill** [H.L.],

20. **Rochdale Market Bill** [H.L.],

21. **Barry Railway Bill** [H.L.],

Second Reading (which stands appointed for this day) *put off* to *Thursday* the 11th of *May* next.

Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.

22. Warrington Corporation Bill, } Read 3^a, with the amendments :
 Further amendments made : Bill
passed, and returned to the
 Commons.
23. Coventry Corporation Bill, }
 24. Felixstowe and Walton Water } Read 3^a, with the amendments,
 Bill, } and *passed*, and returned to the
 Commons.
25. Central London Railway Bill, }
 26. Rhôs-on-Sea Pier Bill, } Brought from the Commons ;
 27. Luton Corporation Bill, } read 1^a; and *referred* to the
 Examiners.
28. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 — The Annual Report on the state of the
 Finances of the University of Glasgow, under the provisions of Section 30
 of the Act, for the year 1909–1910 :
29. Factory and Workshop (Home Work) — Order, dated 10th April 1911, made by
 the Secretary of State for the Home Department, revoking and re-enacting,
 with additions, the order of the 23rd May 1907, applying to certain classes
 of work the provisions of Sections 107, 108, and 110 of the Factory and
 Workshop Act, 1901 :
- Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
30. Small Holdings (Tenants Acqui- } To be read 2^a on *Tuesday* the 9th
 sition) Bill [H.L.], } of *May* next.
31. Army (Annual) Bill, } Order of the Day for the Second
 } Reading read : *Moved*, That the
 Bill be now read 2^a : After short debate, *agreed to* : Bill read 2^a
 accordingly : Committee *negatived* : Then Standing Order No. XXXIX.
considered (according to order), and *dispensed with* : Bill read 3^a, and
passed.
32. Electric Lighting Provisional } A Bill to confirm certain Provisional
 Orders (No. 1.) Bill [H.L.], } Orders made by the Board of
 (N^o 52.) } Trade under the Electric Lighting
 Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to
 Accrington (Extension), Aldeburgh, Ashford, Blandford Forum, Budleigh
 Salterton, Carlisle (Extension), Chichester (Extension), Cirencester,
 Leominster, and Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Extension) :
33. Electric Lighting Provisional } A Bill to confirm certain Provisional
 Orders (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.], } Orders made by the Board of
 (N^o 53.) } Trade under the Electric Lighting
 Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to
 Macclesfield, Pateley Bridge, Portishead and District, Rhondda,
 Salisbury (Extension), Wimbledon (Extension), and Witney : And
34. Electric Lighting Provisional } A Bill to confirm certain Provisional
 Orders (No. 3.) Bill [H.L.], } Orders made by the Board of
 (N^o 54.) } Trade under the Electric Lighting
 Acts, 1882 and 1888, the Electric
 Lighting (Scotland) Act, 1890, and the Electric Lighting (Scotland) Act,
 1902, relating to Alloa (Extension), the County of Fife (certain Burghs
 and Parishes), and Grangemouth (Amendment) — Were *presented* by
 the Lord Hamilton of Dalzell; read 1^a; to be *printed*; and *referred*
 to the Examiners.

35. Education (School Attendance)
(No. 2.) Bill [H.L.],

{ A Bill to raise the age of exemption
from attendance at school to
fourteen — Was *presented* by the
Lord Willoughby de Broke;
read 1^a; to be *printed*; and to
be read 2^a on *Tuesday* next.
(N^o 55.)

House adjourned at Ten minutes past Five o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

27th April.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

<u>NAME OF BILL.</u>	<u>PETITIONERS.</u>	<u>BY WHOM DEPOSITED.</u>
Gas Light and Coke Company.	Great Northern Railway Company.	R. Hill Dawe.

NOTICES

for Monday the 1st of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

<p>London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Bill [H.L.], - (An Amendment to be pro- posed),</p> <p>Chester Water Bill [H.L.],</p> <p>Midland Railway Bill [H.L.],</p> <p>Manchester Ship Canal Bill [H.L.],</p>	}	Third Reading.
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At half-past Four o'clock.

The Lord Muskerry — To refer to the account (presented by His Majesty's command) of the sums received and paid in respect of wages and effects of deceased seamen in the year ended 31st March 1910, and to the unclaimed balance of 15,755*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* which has accumulated since the year 1904; to ask whether unclaimed balances of this kind are devoted to purposes of material advantage to seamen, and if not, whether the President of the Board of Trade will consider the desirability of so doing.

The Duke of Marlborough — To call attention to the unanimous resolution of the last Imperial Conference, that "it is desirable "to encourage British emigrants to proceed to British Colonies "rather than to foreign countries"; and to enquire whether His Majesty's Government are still of this opinion; and, if so, whether they have taken or intend to take any steps to give effect to it.

The Earl of Mayo — To ask His Majesty's Government why no Consular Reports from the Congo State have been published since the one furnished by Consul Thesiger in 1909; and to move for papers.

NOTICES — *continued.*

The Earl of Mayo — To move for a return of the number and parentage of children maintained in Irish workhouses in the following Form, viz. :—

NUMBER and PARENTAL CONDITION of CHILDREN MAINTAINED in the WORKHOUSE on the day of 1911.

A.—*Legitimate.*

UNION.	Children.											
	Male.	Female.	Sick.	Healthy.	Ages.			Children, Orphan and Deserted.	All Children Boarded Out.			
					Under 2 Years.	Over 2 Years, under 10 Years.	Over 10 Years.					
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)						
(Continued.)												
Children— <i>continued.</i>					Parents.							
Length of Time in Workhouse.					Sick.	Aged and Infirm.	Lunatic, &c., and Epileptic.	Able-bodied.			Children, Orphan and Deserted.	All Children Boarded Out.
Under 1 Month.	Over 1 Month, under 3 Months.	Over 3 Months, under 6 Months.	Over 6 Months, under 1 Year.	Over 1 Year.				Casuals or Ins and Outs.	Vagrants or Tramps.	Not Casuals or Vagrants.		
(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)		

B.—*Illegitimate.*

UNION.	Children.									
	Male.	Female.	Sick.	Healthy.	Ages.			Children Deserted.		
					Under 2 Years.	Over 2 Years, under 10 Years.	Over 10 Years.			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)				
(Continued)										
Children— <i>continued.</i>					Mothers.					
Length of Time in Workhouse.					In Maternity Ward.	Sick.	Healthy.	Alive, not in Workhouse.	Children Deserted.	
Under 1 Month.	Over 1 Month, under 3 Months.	Over 3 Months, under 6 Months.	Over 6 Months, under 1 Year.	Over 1 Year.						(13)
(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)						

 BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh*], } Committee.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Dunmore (E. Dunmore)*], } Second Reading.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.]—The Lord Belper, on the motion for the Second Reading, to move, That this House, whilst approving of the principle of extending the small ownership of land, is unwilling to proceed further with a measure which places on County Councils duties and obligations which are alien to the objects for which they exist, and which would impose on them financial schemes of a novel and doubtful character, involving considerable risks to the ratepayers.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.]—The Lord Dunmore (*E. Dunmore*), in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Education (School Attendance) Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Saye and Sele*], }
 Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Willoughby de Broke*], } Second Reading.

Wednesday the 3rd of May.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Malmesbury*], } Second Reading.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.]—The Earl Carrington, on the motion for the Second Reading, to move to resolve, That this House is not prepared to give its consent to a Bill which entails a new and very onerous burden upon the Public Revenue until adequate financial provision has been made by Parliament to enable its provisions to be carried into effect.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.]—The Earl of Malmesbury in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.**Thursday the 4th of May.*

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To call attention to the deficiency of trained horses for the Cavalry Division; and to ask the Under-Secretary of State for War whether he proposes to rely on untrained horses to fill up the deficiency on mobilisation.

Monday the 8th of May.

The Marquess of Lansdowne — To present a Bill to amend the Constitution of the House of Lords.

Tuesday the 9th of May.

Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) }
 Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Camper-* } **Second Reading.**
down],

Wednesday the 10th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) }
 Amendment Bill [H.L.] [*The* } **Report of Amendments.**
Earl of Shaftesbury],

(No day named.)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishops of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishops of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES—*continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*)—To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Brassey—To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.),	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.),		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.),		
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),		
Luton Corporation, Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Central London Railway, Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer),		

London United Tramways, Northampton Corporation, Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way, Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Paignton Urban District Council, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Gas Light and Coke Company, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District), Upper Medway Conservancy, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Monday the 1st of May next.</i>
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Halifax Corporation — (Petition for additional Provision),	}	Waiting for reference to Standing Orders Committee.
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Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.], Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order, Board of Education Scheme (Aln- wick Corporation Payment) Con- firmation [H.L.], Manchester and Milford Railway, Tamworth Gas.	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
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BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Bicester Urban District Gas, Southampton Harbour, Furness Railway, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, Chichester Gas, Port of London Authority, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Great Northern Railway,	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.],	} Second Reading on <i>Thursday</i> the <i>11th of May</i> next.
Rights of Way [H.L.],	- Referred to a Joint Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	} Committed.
London Electric Railway, Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.], Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway,	} Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Thorney Drainage [H.L.], London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],	} Waiting for Report.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Perjury [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Municipal Elections [H.L.],		
Parsonages [H.L.],		
Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.],		
Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Ely Rural District Water [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.],		
Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.],		
London Cemetery Company [H.L.],		
Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.],		
Luton Water [H.L.],		
Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.],		
Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Luton Gas [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],		
Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.],		
Rochdale Market [H.L.],		
Barry Railway [H.L.],		
Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],		
Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],		
Rhymney Railway [H.L.],		
Enfield Gas [H.L.],		
City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.],		
Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.],		
Great Western Railway [H.L.],		
Coventry Corporation,	}	Returned to the Commons amended.
Felixstowe and Walton Water,		
Warrington Corporation,		
Army (Annual),	}	Waiting for Royal Assent.
Great Northern Railway (Ireland),		

COMMITTEES.

Friday the 28th of April.

Thames Conservancy Bill,
Metropolitan Water Board (New
Works) Bill [H.L.],

} Joint Committee;
Eleven o'clock.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts,
1888 and 1894, and Local Government
(Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,

} Half-past
Eleven o'clock.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Lloyds [H.L.],

} Half-past
Three o'clock.

North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],
Great Yarmouth Port and Haven
[H.L.],

*Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation
[H.L.],

*Hebburn Urban District Council,

*London and South-Western Railway
[H.L.],

*Bristol Corporation,

*Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees,
and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],

} Select Committee;
Eleven o'clock.

• These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

Tuesday the 9th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water
[H.L.],

*Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board
[H.L.],

*Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire
Sewerage Board [H.L.],

} Select Committee
Eleven o'clock.

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Tuesday the 9th of May — continued.

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
*Manchester Corporation [H.L.],		
*Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 27th April.

Sess. Numb.

(49.)

Bill — Army (Annual).

[Cd. 5558.] Miscellaneous, No. 5 (1911) — Conventions for the Unification of certain Rules of Law respecting (1) Collisions, (2) Assistance and Salvage at Sea; signed at Brussels, 23rd September 1910; and Documents relating thereto.

PAPER NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

[Cd. 5600.] Police (Scotland) — Fifty-third Annual Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland for the Year ended 31st December 1910.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPER,

delivered 26th April.

Sess. Numb.

[164.]

Bill — Women's Enfranchisement (No. 2).

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Veneris, 28° Aprilis 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Caledonian Railway Company *v.* Glenboig Union Fireclay Company, Limited — Further heard, and further hearing adjourned during pleasure.
House adjourned during pleasure.
House resumed.
2. COMMISSION — The following Bills received the Royal Assent —
 1. Army (Annual).
 2. Great Northern Railway (Ireland).
 House adjourned during pleasure.
House resumed.
3. Caledonian Railway Company *v.* Glenboig Union Fireclay Company, Limited — Further and fully heard: Interlocutors appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
4. Ross and others *v.* Ross — To be heard on *Monday* next.
5. E. Clemens Horst Company *v.* Biddell Brothers (England) — Appeal *presented*, and read; and the Respondents ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Friday the 9th day of June next.
6. Law Accident Insurance Society, Limited, and another *v.* Law Guarantee Trust and Accident Society, Limited, and others — Set down for hearing (*ex parte*).
7. Papé *v.* O'Driscoll — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix, returning the "Order of Service," and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 1st day of June next or the third sitting day thereafter (the agents for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
8. Leaver (pauper) *v.* Urban District Council of Pontypridd — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging her printed cases and the appendix, returning the "Order of Service," and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 26th day of May next (the agent for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
9. McVittie *v.* Townend — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 29th day of May next (the agents for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.

House adjourned at a quarter past Three o'clock, to Monday next,
a quarter before Eleven o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

CAUSE.

Monday the 1st of May.

Ross and others *v.* Ross

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- **Hearing.**

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Lunæ, 1° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Ross and others *v.* Ross — Fully heard, and consideration adjourned *sine die*.
2. Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,
3. Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another, } To be heard *To-morrow*.
4. Thompson *v.* Dibdin and others — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 1st day of June next (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
5. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
6. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with:
 - London United Tramways.
 - Northampton Corporation.
 - Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway.
 - Chesterfield Gas and Water Board.
 - Paignton Urban District Council.
 - Liverpool Overhead Railway.
 - Gas Light and Coke Company.
 - Ipswich Corporation.
 - Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District).
 - Upper Medway Conservancy.
 - Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board.
 - Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways.

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.
7. Rhymney Valley Water Board } A witness ordered to attend the
 Bill [H.L.], } Select Committee.

8. **Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill** [H.L.], } Petition for additional Provision of the Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Company, Limited, under their Common Seal, together with the proposed amendments annexed thereto; read, and *referred* to the Examiners.
9. **Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill** [H.L.], } Petition for additional Provision of the Promoters of said Bill, together with the proposed clause and amendment annexed thereto; read, and *referred* to the Examiners.
10. **Penllwyn Railway Bill** [H.L.], } Petition for additional Provision of the Penllwyn Railway Company under their Common Seal, together with the proposed amendments annexed thereto; read, and *referred* to the Examiners.
11. **London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Bill** [H.L.], } Read 3^a: An amendment made: Bill *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
12. **Chester Water Bill** [H.L.], } Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
13. **Midland Railway Bill** [H.L.], } Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
14. **Manchester Ship Canal Bill** [H.L.], } The King's consent signified: Bill read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
15. **Marriages Provisional Order Bill,** } To be read 2^a *To-morrow* (The Lord Ashby St. Ledgers).
16. **St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation Bill,** } Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; to be *printed*; and (pursuant to the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) deemed to have been read 2^a (The Lord Pentland), and *reported* from the Committee. (N° 56.)
17. **Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage Bill,** } Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; and *referred* to the Examiners.
18. Fee Fund of the House of Lords — The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House that the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid on the Table the Annual Account of the Fee Fund of the House of Lords: The same was ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Select Committee on the House of Lords Offices:
19. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
 No. 4635. Italy (Venice, 1909–1910);
 No. 4636. Denmark (Report on financial condition, 1909–1910; with a survey of the Estimates for 1910–1911 and 1911–1912):
20. Congo, No. 1. (1911) — Belgian Decree of 22nd March 1910, relative to the collection of the natural products of the soil in the Domain Lands of the Congo:

21. Loan Fund Board (Ireland) — Seventy-third Annual Report, 1910 :
22. Mines — Minutes of evidence taken before the Royal Commission on Mines ; with Index and Appendices. Volume V. :
23. Education (Scotland) — Thirty-eighth Annual Report by the Accountant for Scotland to the Scotch Education Department :
24. Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts, 1886–1887 — Report by the Crofters Commission for the year ended 31st December 1910 :
25. Aliens Act, 1905 — Return of the alien passenger traffic between the United Kingdom and ports in Europe or within the Mediterranean Sea during the three months ended 31st March 1911 ; together with the number of Expulsion Orders made during that period requiring aliens to leave the United Kingdom :

Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.

26. Intermediate Education (Ireland) —
1. Rule determining the maximum number of Superintendents to be appointed, 1911 ;
 2. Rule appointing places of examination, 1911 :
27. Metropolitan Police — Accounts showing the sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police and Police Pension Funds between 1st April 1910 and the 31st March 1911 :
28. Locomotives on Highways Act, 1896, and Motor Car Act, 1903 —
1. The Heavy Motor Car (Scotland) Order, 1911 ;
 2. The Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1911 :
29. Shop Hours Act, 1904 — Order made by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 12th April 1911, providing for the early closing of barbers' and hairdressers' shops in certain districts of the Middle Ward of the County of Lanark :
- Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.

30. **Gas Orders Confirmation**
(No. 1.) Bill [H.L.], (N° 57.)

A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Alfreton Gas, Barnstaple Gas, Burnham Gas, and Launceston Gas :

31. **Gas Orders Confirmation**
(No. 2.) Bill [H.L.], (N° 58.)

A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Cannock Gas, Clay Cross Gas, Hythe and Sandgate Gas, Lichfield Gas, and Whitney and District Gas :

32. **Gas Orders Confirmation**
(No. 3.) Bill [H.L.], (N° 59.)

A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Holyhead Gas, Llangefni Gas, Llanrwst Gas, and Pwllheli Gas :

33. **Gas Orders Confirmation**
(No. 4.) Bill [H.L.], (N° 60.)

A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Busby and District Gas, Longford Gas, Preston Gas, and Uxbridge Gas :

B.—*Illegitimate.*

UNION.	Children.						
	Male.	Female.	Sick.	Healthy.	Ages.		
					Under 2 Years.	Over 2 Years, under 10 Years.	Over 10 Years.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	

(Continued)

Children—continued.					Mothers.				Children Deserted.
Length of Time in Workhouse.					In Maternity Ward.	Sick.	Healthy.	Alive, not in Workhouse.	
Under Month.	Over 1 Month, under 3 Months.	Over 3 Months, under 6 Months.	Over 6 Months, under 1 Year.	Over 1 Year.					
(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)

— (The Earl of Mayo); *agreed to*; and ordered accordingly.

42. **Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) Bill** [H.L.], } A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Education under the Education Acts, 1870 to 1907, to enable the Councils of the Administrative Counties of Durham, Montgomery, and Worcester, and the Urban District of Willesden to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts — Was *presented* by the Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*); read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N^o 66.)

House adjourned at twenty minutes before Seven o'clock, till To-morrow, half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

C A U S E.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited
v. "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,
Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited v.
"Gunford" Ship Company" Limited, and another, } Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Tuesday the 2nd of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Manchester and Milford Rail- way Bill,	} Second Reading.
Tamworth Gas Bill,	
Bicester Urban District Gas Bill,	
Furness Railway Bill,	
Marple Urban District Council Gas Bill,	
Blackburn Corporation Water Bill,	
Chichester Gas Bill,	
Port of London Authority Bill,	
Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill,	
Great Northern Railway Bill,	

At half-past Four o'clock.

Marriages Provisional Order [THE LORD ASHBY ST. LEDGERS],	} Second Reading.
Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD CLIFFORD OF CHUDLEIGH],	
Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD DUNMORE (<i>E. Dunmore</i>)],	} Second Reading.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.]—
 THE LORD BELPER, on the motion for the Second Reading,
 to move to resolve, That this House, whilst approving of the
 principle of extending the small ownership of land, is unwilling to
 proceed further with a measure which places on County Councils

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued*.

duties and obligations which are alien to the objects for which they exist, and which would impose on them financial schemes of a novel and doubtful character, involving considerable risks to the ratepayers.

Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill [H.L.] —
THE LORD DUNMORE (*E. Dunmore*), in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

<p>Education (School Attendance) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD SAYE AND SELE],</p> <p>Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD WILLOUGHBY DE BROKE],</p>	}	Second Reading.
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BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Wednesday the 3rd of May.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Malmesbury*], } Second Reading.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] — *The Earl Carrington*, on the motion for the Second Reading, to move to resolve, That this House is not prepared to give its consent to a Bill which entails a new and very onerous burden upon the Public Revenue until adequate financial provision has been made by Parliament to enable its provisions to be carried into effect.

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] — *The Earl of Malmesbury*, in the event of the Bill being read 2^a, to move to resolve, That it is desirable that the said Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Thursday the 4th of May.

County Courts Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Chancellor*], } Committee.

Lunacy Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Chancellor*], } Second Reading.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To call attention to the deficiency of trained horses for the Cavalry Division; and to ask the Under-Secretary of State for War whether he proposes to rely on untrained horses to fill up the deficiency on mobilisation.

The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

The Lord Oranmore and Browne — To ask His Majesty's Government whether in sales under the Irish Land Act, 1909, a portion of the purchase price is retained by the Land Commissioners for the redemption of Government and other charges; and whether it is the case that the stock so retained is habitually sold by them at a price considerably below the market quotation of such stock; and whether arrangements cannot be made which will not entail this heavy additional loss on landowners.

House of Lords Offices — Consideration of the First Report from the Select Committee — [*The Chairman of Committees*].

Monday the 8th of May.

The Marquess of Lansdowne — To present a Bill to amend the Constitution of the House of Lords.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Tuesday the 9th of May.

Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) }
 Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Camper-* } Second Reading.
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Wednesday the 10th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) }
 Amendment Bill [H.L.] [*The* } Report of Amendments.
Earl of Shaftesbury],

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the position of the Royal Naval Reserves, and to the new restrictions in respect to drill regulations which are imposed upon Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve; to ask whether His Majesty's Government has taken into regard the serious obstacles which are now placed in the way of Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve putting in the requisite drills, whereby the efficiency of this force may be seriously impaired and the supply of Officers considerably reduced; whether His Majesty's Government will now consider the advisability of revising the drill regulations so that reasonable facilities may be provided for Officers of Merchant Ships performing their drills as Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve; and to move for papers.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

(*No day named.*)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued*.

(*No day named*) — continued.

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.],	}	Referred to the Examiners.		
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.],				
Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),				
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),				
Penllwyn Railway [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),				
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.),				
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.),				
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.),				
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],				
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage, Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer),				
Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Luton Corporation, Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),			}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Tuesday the 2nd of May.</i>
Central London Railway,				
Halifax Corporation — (Petition for additional Provision),	}	Waiting for reference to Standing Orders Committee.		
Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.],				
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Second Reading.		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.], London United Tramways, Northampton Corporation, Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway, Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Paignton Urban District Council, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Gas Light and Coke Company, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District), Upper Medway Conservancy, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Southampton Harbour,	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.],	}	Second Reading on <i>Thursday</i> the <i>11th of May.</i>
Rights of Way [H.L.],	-	Referred to a Joint Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Committee.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	}	Committed.
London Electric Railway, Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.], Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway,	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Thorney Drainage [H.L.], London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.],		
Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Coventry Corporation,
Felixstowe and Walton Water,
Warrington Corporation,

} Returned to the Commons amended.

COMMITTEES.

Tuesday the 2nd of May.

Lloyds [H.L.],	}	Half-past
		Three o'clock.
North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], *Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], *Hebburn Urban District Council, *London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], *Bristol Corporation, *Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	}	Joint Committee; Two o'clock.
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Thursday the 4th of May.

House of Lords Offices Committee,	}	A quarter before Four o'clock.
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Friday the 5th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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Tuesday the 9th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.], *Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board [H.L.], *Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee Eleven o'clock.
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* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Tuesday the 9th of May — continued.

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council		
[H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries		
[H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour (Constitution)	}	
[H.L.],		
*Manchester Corporation [H.L.],		
*Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and		
District Gas [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 29th April.

Sess. Numb.

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Bill — Education (School Attendance).

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

[Cd. 5630.]

Netherlands (Proposed New Customs Tariff) — Translation of the Proposed New General Customs Tariff of the Netherlands; with Comparison, as far as possible, of the Proposed New Rates of Customs Duty with the Rates at present in force on Imports into the Netherlands from the United Kingdom.

[Cd. 5632.]

Shops Bill — Deputations received at the Home Office since the Introduction of the 1910 Bill.

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Martis, 2° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another — In part heard, and adjourned *sine die*.
2. Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another — Adjourned *sine die*.
3. Sewell and others *v.* Goyt Spinning Company, Limited — To be heard on *Thursday* next.
4. Edward Stuart, Lord Bishop of Winchester — Was (in the usual manner) introduced.
5. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
6. Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bills — For petitions respecting, *see* page 574.
7. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with:

Rhôs-on-Sea Pier.

Luton Corporation.

Also the Certificates that the Standing Orders applicable to the following Bill have been complied with:

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.)

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Northampton Corporation Bill, 9. Upper Medway Conservancy Bill, 10. Lloyds Bill [H.L.], 11. Swansea Gas Bill [H.L.], 12. Star Life Assurance Society Bill [H.L.], 13. Rhondda Urban District Council Bill [H.L.], 14. Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill [H.L.], 15. Dundee Harbour (Constitution) Bill [H.L.], 16. Manchester Corporation Bill [H.L.], 17. Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill [H.L.], | } | <p>Reports from His Majesty's Attorney-General received and ordered to lie on the Table.</p> <p>- Reported, with amendments.</p> <p>Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Duke of Wellington be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bills in the place of the Lord Wenlock, and that the Duke of Wellington be Chairman of the said Committee; read, and <i>agreed to</i>.</p> |
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18. Manchester and Milford Railway Bill,
19. Tamworth Gas Bill,
20. Bicester Urban District Gas Bill,
21. Furness Railway Bill,
22. Marple Urban District Council Gas Bill,
23. Blackburn Corporation Water Bill,
24. Chichester Gas Bill,
25. Port of London Authority Bill,
26. Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill,
27. Great Northern Railway Bill,
28. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) Bill [H.L.],
29. Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) Bill [H.L.],
30. Trade Reports (Annual Series)—No. 4637. Netherlands (Trade of Consular District of Amsterdam), 1910:
31. Coal Shipments—Tables giving details as to shipments of coal abroad, coastwise, and as bunkers from each port of the United Kingdom, for each quarter of the years 1909 and 1910 (in continuation of House of Commons Paper, No. 109, of Session 1910):
32. Railway Returns—Return relating to the railways of the United Kingdom for the year 1910 (Preliminary Statement):
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
33. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill,
34. Marriages Provisional Order Bill,
35. Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.],
- Read 2^a, and *committed*.
- Read 2^a, and *committed*: The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.
- Referred* to the Examiners.
- A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to Chepping Wycombe (Extension), Harrow and District, Sandwich, Deal, and Walmer, and Sevenoaks—Was *presented* by the Earl of Liverpool (for the Lord Hamilton of Dalzell); read 1^a; to be *printed*; and *referred* to the Examiners. (N^o 67.)
- Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; to be *printed*; and *referred* to the Examiners. (N^o 68.)
- Read 2^a (according to order), and *committed*.
- House in Committee (according to order): Amendments made: An amendment *moved*; objected to; and, on question, *agreed to* (see *Division List annexed*): Amendments made: Report of amendments to be received on *Thursday* the 11th *instant*, and Bill to be *printed* as amended. (N^o 69.)

36. **Small Ownership and National Land Bank Bill** [H.L.],
- Order of the Day for the Second Reading read: *Moved*, That the Bill be now read 2^a; objected to; and, an amendment *moved* to leave out all the words after ("That") for the purpose of inserting the following resolution, viz.: "This House, whilst approving of the principle of extending the small ownership of land, is unwilling to proceed further with a measure which places on County Councils duties and obligations which are alien to the objects for which they exist, and which would impose on them financial schemes of a novel and doubtful character, involving considerable risks to the ratepayers" (The Lord Belper): After debate, the said amendment (by leave of the House) *withdrawn*: Then the original motion *agreed to*: Bill read 2^a accordingly and *referred* to a Select Committee.
37. **Education (School Attendance) Bill** [H.L.],
38. **Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) Bill** [H.L.],
- Second Reading (which stands appointed for this day) *put off* till *To-morrow*.

House adjourned at a quarter before Eight o'clock, till To-morrow, a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

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PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

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PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE AND PROVISIONAL ORDER
CONFIRMATION BILLS.

<u>NAME OF BILL.</u>	<u>PETITIONERS.</u>	<u>BY WHOM DEPOSITED.</u>
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.)	Caversham Urban District Council.	Lees and Co.
Paignton Urban District Council.	Dart District Fishery Board	Crowders, Vizard, Oldham, and Co.

C A U S E.

Thursday the 4th of May.

Sewell and others *v.* Goyt Spinning Company, Limited, - Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*for Wednesday the 3rd of May.***At half-past Four o'clock.**

Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL OF MALMESBURY], } **Second Reading.**

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Education (School Attendance) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD SAYE AND SELE], } **Second Reading.**
Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD WILLOUGHBY DE BROKE], }

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

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Chancellor], } Committee.

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Deficiency in 1st Class Army Reserve - - - - -	29,240
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Monday the 8th of May.

The Marquess of Lansdowne — To present a Bill to amend the Constitution of the House of Lords.

Tuesday the 9th of May.

Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Camperdown*], } Second Reading.

Wednesday the 10th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Shaftesbury*], } Report of Amendments.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the position of the Royal Naval Reserves, and to the new restrictions in respect to drill regulations which are imposed upon Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve; to ask whether His Majesty's Government has taken into regard the serious obstacles which are now placed in the way of Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve putting in the requisite drills, whereby the efficiency of this force may be seriously impaired and the supply of Officers considerably reduced; whether His Majesty's Government will now consider the advisability of revising the drill regulations so that reasonable facilities may be provided for Officers of Merchant Ships performing their drills as Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve; and to move for papers.

The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Thursday the 11th of May.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The* } Report of Amendments.
Lord Clifford of Chudleigh], . }

Wednesday the 17th of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer “Coomassie,” which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty’s Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

(No day named.)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishoprics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishoprics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

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To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — *continued.*

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) -- To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Halifax Corporation — (Petition for additional Provision),	}	Waiting for reference to Standing Orders Committee.
Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.],	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],		
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Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.),		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.),		
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Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.),	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 4th of May.</i>
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],		
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Friday the 5th of May.</i>
Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer),		
Central London Railway,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 4th of May.</i>
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Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),		
Penllwyn Railway [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),		
Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.],		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.), Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Luton Corporation, London United Tramways, Northampton Corporation, Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway, Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Paignton Urban District Council, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Gas Light and Coke Company, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District), Upper Medway Conservancy, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Southampton Harbour,	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.],	} Second Reading on <i>Thursday</i> the <i>11th of May</i> .
Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.],	} Referred to a Select Committee.
Rights of Way [H.L.], Professional Accountants [H.L.],	} Referred to a Joint Committee.
Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,	} Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Blackburn Corporation Water, Chichester Gas, Port of London Authority, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway, Tamworth Gas, Bicester Urban District Gas, Furness Railway, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Marriages Provisional Order,	}	Committed.
London Electric Railway, Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.], Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway, Great Northern Railway,	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Thorney Drainage [H.L.], London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Oystermouth Urban District Council

[H.L.],

Luton Gas [H.L.],

Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],

Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],

Winchester Corporation (Electric
Supply) [H.L.],

Rochdale Market [H.L.],

Barry Railway [H.L.],

Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],

Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],

Rhydney Railway [H.L.],

Enfield Gas [H.L.],

City of London (Various Powers)

[H.L.],

Alexandra (Newport and South
Wales) Docks and Railway

[H.L.],

Great Western Railway [H.L.],

London, Brighton and South Coast

Railway [H.L.],

Chester Water [H.L.],

Midland Railway [H.L.],

Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],

} Sent to the Commons.

Coventry Corporation,

Felixstowe and Walton Water,

Warrington Corporation,

} Returned to the Commons amended.

COMMITTEES.

Wednesday the 3rd of May.

North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.],		
Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.],		
Hebburn Urban District Council, [H.L.],		
London and South-Western Railway [H.L.],		
Bristol Corporation, Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],		

Thursday the 4th of May.

House of Lords Offices Committee,	{	A quarter before Four o'clock.
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Friday the 5th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	{	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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Monday the 8th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	{	Joint Committee Twelve o'clock.
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Tuesday the 9th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],	}	Select Committee Eleven o'clock.
*Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board [H.L.],		
*Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

COMMITTEES — *continued.**Tuesday the 9th of May — continued.*

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],	
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],	
*Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],	
*Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],	
*Manchester Corporation [H.L.],	
*Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],	

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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 2nd May.

- Sess. Numb.
(43a.) Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill — Amendment to be moved on Report. (L. Archbishop of Canterbury).
- [Cd. 5559.] Congo, No. 1 (1911) — Belgian Degree of 22nd March 1910, relative to the Collection of the Natural Products of the Soil in the Domain Lands of the Congo.
- [Cd. 5626.] Canals and Waterways (Royal Commission on) — Volume XI. Final Report on the Canals and Inland Navigations of Ireland from the Royal Commission appointed to Enquire into and to Report on the Canals and Inland Navigations of the United Kingdom.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —
- [Cd. 5465.-27.] United States: Trade of the Consular District of Baltimore (comprising the States of Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia) for 1910. No. 4634.
- Miscellaneous Series: Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest —
- [Cd. 5466.] Japan: Oil Industry of Echigo. No. 679.
- [Cd. 5631.] Railway Agreements and Amalgamations — Report of the Departmental Committee.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 29th April.

- Sess. Numb.
[182.] Bill — Conveyance of Electors to the Poll.
- [128.] Commons — Report and Special Report from the Select Committee.

*Die Martis, 2° Maii 1911.***Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.].**

Clause 2, page 2, line 21, *moved* to leave out (“and it shall be the duty of the police “to remove such offender”); objected to: On question, whether the words proposed to be left out shall stand part of the clause?

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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Mercurii, 3° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Hayshe Volcott, Lord Bishop of Worcester — Was (in the usual manner) introduced.
2. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
3. Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bills — For petitions respecting, *see* page 593.
4. **Chichester Gas Bill,**
5. **Furness Railway Bill,**
6. **Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill,**
7. **Hebburn Urban District Council Bill,**

the Bill no parties having appeared in opposition thereto; read, and ordered to lie on the Table: The orders made on the 22nd of March and the 6th of April *discharged*, and Bill *committed*.
8. **London and South-Western Railway Bill** [H.L.],
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12. **Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board Bill** [H.L.],
13. **Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board Bill** [H.L.],
14. Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Annual Report of the Land Division Proceedings under the Small Holdings and Allotments Act, 1908, the Universities and College Estates Acts, the Glebe Lands Act, 1888, the Improvement of Land Acts, the Settled Land Act, the Agricultural Holdings Acts, &c., &c. for the year 1910. Part II. Allotments and Miscellaneous :

} Committee to meet on *Tuesday* next.

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} Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; and *referred* to the Examiners.

} Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Lord Sandys be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bills in the place of the Earl Cathcart; read, and *agreed to*.

PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

3rd May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE AND PROVISIONAL ORDER
CONFIRMATION BILLS.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Chesterfield Gas and Water Board.	The Duke of Devonshire -	Grahames, Currey, and Spens.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.)	1. Berkshire County Council. 2. Oxfordshire County Council.	Dyson and Co. Sherwood and Co.
Northampton Corporation -	1. London and North-Western Railway Company. 2. Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, Limited.	C. de J. Andrewes. Sydney Morse.

CAUSE.

Thursday the 4th of May.

Sewell and others v. Goyt Spinning Company, Limited, - Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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} Second Reading.

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 Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD SAYE }
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WILLOUGHBY DE BROKE], }

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	<hr/> 22,406
Deficiency in 1st Class Army Reserve - - - - -	29,240
Available in Section D., 2nd Class Army Reserve - - -	22,406
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Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.],	

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway, Great Northern Railway,	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Thorney Drainage [H.L.], London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],		
St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.],		
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BILLS IN PROGRESS—*continued.*

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Wales) Docks and Railway
[H.L.],
Great Western Railway [H.L.],
London, Brighton and South Coast
Railway [H.L.],
Chester Water [H.L.],
Midland Railway [H.L.],
Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],

} Sent to the Commons.

Coventry Corporation,
Felixstowe and Walton Water,
Warrington Corporation,

} Returned to the Commons amended.

COMMITTEES.

Thursday the 4th of May.

Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], Bristol Corporation, Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
House of Lords Offices Committee,	}	A quarter before Four o'clock.

Friday the 5th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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Monday the 8th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	}	Joint Committee; Twelve o'clock.
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Tuesday the 9th of May.

London and South-Western Railway [H.L.]
 Furness Railway.
 Weston-super-Mare Gas.
 Chichester Gas.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.], *Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board [H.L.], *Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Tuesday the 9th of May — continued.

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
*Manchester Corporation [H.L.],		
*Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		

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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 3rd May.

Sess. Numb.

[64.]

Bill — Lunacy.

[34.]

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1899 — University Court Ordinance, No. XXXV. (Glasgow, No. 11). Regulations for Degrees in Science.

[Cd. 5527.]

University Education in London (Royal Commission on) — Second Report of the Commissioners.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 2nd May.

Sess. Numb.

[185.]

Bill — Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act (1906) Amendment.

[186.]

— Workmen's Compensation Amendment (Share Fishermen.)

*Die Mercurii, 3° Maii 1911.***Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill** [H.L.]

Moved, That the Bill be now read 2^a (The Earl of Malmesbury); objected to; and, an amendment *moved* to leave out all the words after ("that") for the purpose of inserting the following words, viz.: "This House is not prepared to give its consent to a Bill which entails a new and very onerous burden upon the Public Revenue until adequate financial provision has been made by Parliament to enable its provisions to be carried into effect" (The Earl Carrington): On question, whether the words proposed to be left out shall stand part of the question?

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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Die Jovis, 4^o Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Sewell and others *v.* Goyt Spinning Company, Limited — Fully heard: Order appealed from *reversed*: Order of Mr. Justice Walton *restored*; the Respondents to pay to the Appellants their costs in this House and in the Court of Appeal.
2. Wallis and others *v.* Pratt and Haynes,
3. Owners of SS. "Swansea Vale" *v.* Rice and another, } To be heard *To-morrow*.
4. Murphy *v.* Attorney-General for Ireland (on behalf of His Majesty) — To be heard on *Friday* the 12th instant.
5. Lord Decies — Petition of John Graham Hope Horsley, Baron Decies, in the Peerage of Ireland, claiming a right to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland; read, and *referred* to the Lord Chancellor to consider and report thereupon to the House.
6. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
7. Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bills — For petitions respecting, *see* page 614.
8. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bill have been complied with:

Central London Railway.

The same was ordered to lie on the Table.
9. **Manchester and Milford Railway Bill,**
10. **Tamworth Gas Bill,**
11. **Hebburn Urban District Council Bill,**
12. **Harrogate Corporation Bill** } *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
[H.L.],
13. **Malvern Electric Traction Bill** }
[H.L.],
14. **Matlock District Railless Traction Bill** [H.L.],
15. **Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction Bill** [H.L.], } Report from the Committee of Selection, That the following Lords be proposed to the House

16. **Aberdare Urban District Council Bill** [H.L.],
 17. **Metropolitan District Railway Bill**,
 18. **London Electric Railway Bill**,
 19. **Great Northern Railway Bill**,

} to form the Select Committee for the consideration of the said Bills; (viz.),

D. Bedford (chairman),
 M. Winchester,
 M. Bristol,
 E. Bathurst,
 L. Manners;

agreed to; and the said Lords appointed accordingly: The Committee to meet on *Wednesday* next, at Eleven o'clock; and all Petitions *referred* to the Committee, with leave to the Petitioners praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bills to be heard as desired, as also Counsel for the Bills.

20. **London United Tramways Bill**,
 21. **Liverpool Overhead Railway Bill**,
 22. **Ipswich Corporation Bill**,
 23. **Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District) Bill**,
 24. **Upper Medway Conservancy Bill**,
 25. **Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board Bill**,
 26. **Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill**,
 27. **Luton Corporation Bill**,
 28. **Southampton Harbour Bill**,
 29. **Northampton Corporation Bill**,
 30. **Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill**,
 31. **Gas Light and Coke Company Bill**,

} Read 2^a, and *committed* for *Tuesday* next.

} Read 2^a, and *committed*.

} Read 2^a, and *committed*: The Committees to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.

32. Science Museum — Further Papers relating thereto ordered to be laid before the House (The Earl of Cromer):
 33. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
 No. 4638. Hayti and Santo Domingo (Report for the year 1910 on the trade, commerce, and navigation of the Republics);
 No. 4639. France (Réunion):
 34. Royal Observatory (Edinburgh) — Twenty-first Annual Report of the Astronomer Royal for Scotland:
 35. Science Museum — Correspondence between the First Commissioner of Works and the Trustees of the British Museum on the subject of the provision of a site for a new Science Museum at South Kensington:

36. White Slave Traffic — Correspondence respecting the Fourth International Congress on the White Slave Traffic, held in Madrid, October 1910 :
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
37. Lunacy — Report to the Lord Chancellor of the number of visits made, the number of patients seen, and the number of miles travelled by the visitors of lunatics pursuant to the Lunacy Act, 1890, between 1st October 1910 and 31st March 1911—
- | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|---|---|---|--------|
| Number of visits made | - | - | - | - | 693 |
| Number of patients seen | - | - | - | - | 743 |
| Number of miles travelled | - | - | - | - | 26,181 |
38. National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill [H.L.], { A Bill to appropriate certain lands for the purposes of the National Gallery and the National Portrait Gallery, and for other purposes connected therewith, and to make provision with respect to certain Crown Lands forming part of or adjacent to St. James's Park — Was *presented* by the Earl Beauchamp; read 1^a; and to be *printed*. (N^o 71.)
39. Lunacy Bill [H.L.], { Read 2^a (according to order), and *committed* to a Committee of the Whole House.
40. Education (School Attendance) Bill [H.L.], { Order of the Day for the Second Reading, read: *Moved*, That the Bill be now read 2^a: After short debate, *agreed to*: Bill read 2^a accordingly, and *committed* to a Committee of the Whole House.
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42. House of Lords Offices — First Report from the Select Committee *considered* (according to order), and *agreed to*.
43. Army Reserve — *Moved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty for Papers relating to the deficiency in the 1st Class of the Army Reserve, Sections A. and B., and in the 2nd Class of the Army Reserve, Section D., to meet the requirements of the Expeditionary Force in event of mobilization in 1913, according to the statistics furnished to Parliament by the Secretary of State for War, and statements made by the Under-Secretary of State for War on 15th November 1910 (The Duke of Bedford): After debate, motion (by leave of the House) *withdrawn*.
44. Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [H.L.], { To be read 2^a on *Thursday* next.
45. Poultry Bill [H.L.], - To be read 2^a on *Thursday* next.

House adjourned at ten minutes past Seven o'clock, till To-morrow,
 half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
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PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

4th May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

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} Hearing

Friday the 12th of May.

Murphy *v.* Attorney-General for Ireland,

- Hearing.

NOTICES

for Monday the 8th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Rhôs-on-Sea Pier Bill,	}	Second Reading.
Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill,		
Lloyds Bill [H.L.],		
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The Lord Oranmore and Browne—To ask His Majesty's Government whether in sales under the Irish Land Act, 1909, a portion of the purchase price is retained by the Land Commissioners for the redemption of Government and other charges; and whether it is the case that the stock so retained is habitually sold by them at a price considerably below the market quotation of such stock; and whether arrangements cannot be made which will not entail this heavy additional loss on landowners.

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National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.], Board of Education Scheme (Aln- wick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.), Central London Railway, Paignton Urban District Council,	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.],	}	Second Reading on <i>Thursday</i> the <i>11th of May.</i>
Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.],	}	Referred to a Select Committee.
Rights of Way [H.L.], Professional Accountants [H.L.],	}	Referred to a Joint Committee.
Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.], Lunacy [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Committee.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Blackburn Corporation Water, Port of London Authority, Bicester Urban District Gas, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Marriages Provisional Order, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District),	}	Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Upper Medway Conservancy, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Luton Corporation,	} Committed.
Southampton Harbour, Northampton Corporation, Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Gas Light and Coke Company,	} Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Thorney Drainage [H.L.], London, Tilbury and Southend Railway [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],	} Waiting for Report.
St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],	} Waiting for Third Reading.
Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],		
Rhymney Railway [H.L.],		
Enfield Gas [H.L.],		
City of London (Various Powers)		
[H.L.],		
Alexandra (Newport and South		
Wales) Docks and Railway		
[H.L.],		
Great Western Railway [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast	}	Returned to the Commons amended.
Railway [H.L.],		
Chester Water [H.L.],		
Midland Railway [H.L.],		
Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],		
Coventry Corporation,	}	Returned to the Commons amended.
Felixstowe and Walton Water,		
Warrington Corporation,		

COMMITTEES.

Friday the 5th of May.

Bristol Corporation, Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	} Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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Monday the 8th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	} Joint Committee; Twelve o'clock.
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Tuesday the 9th of May.

Hebburn Urban District Council.
London United Tramways.
London and South-Western Railway [H.L.]
Furness Railway.
Weston-super-Mare Gas.
Chichester Gas.
Manchester and Milford Railway.
Tamworth Gas.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.], *Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board [H.L.], *Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Tuesday the 9th of May — continued.

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
*Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
*Manchester Corporation [H.L.],		
*Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

Wednesday the 10th of May.

Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.],		
*Metropolitan District Railway,		
*London Electric Railway, *Great Northern Railway,		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 4th May.

Sess. Numb.

(24 a.) County Courts Bill — Amendments to be moved in Committee.
(L. Gorell; L. Dunmore.)

(65.) House of Lords Offices — First Report from the Select Committee.

PAPER NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

[Cd. 5624.] Irish Land Commission — Return of Advances made under the
Irish Land Act, 1903, during the Month of February 1910.

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Veneris, 5° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Wallis and others *v.* Pratt and Haynes — Fully heard : Order appealed from *reversed* : Order of Mr. Justice Bray *restored* ; the Respondents to pay to the Appellants their costs both here and below.
 2. Owners of "Swansea Vale" *v.* Rice and another — Fully heard : Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
 3. Hickman and Company *v.* Roberts and others — To be heard on *Tuesday* next.
 4. Russell *v.* Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners and others — Set down for hearing (*ex parte*).
 5. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in respect of the petitions for additional Provisions in the following Bills :

Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.]
Penllwyn Railway [H.L.]

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.
 6. **Halifax Corporation Bill** — (Petition for additional Provision),
 7. **Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill** [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),
 8. **Penllwyn Railway Bill** [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),
- } Examiners' Certificates of non-compliance with the Standing Orders referred to the Standing Orders Committee on *Wednesday* next.

House adjourned at twenty-five minutes before Four o'clock, to Monday next, a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

C A U S E S.

Tuesday the 9th of May.

Hickman and Company *v.* Roberts and others, - Hearing.

Friday the 12th of May.

Murphy *v.* Attorney-General for Ireland, - Hearing.

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Lunæ, 8° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,
 2. Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,
- } To be further heard on *Thursday* next.
3. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
 4. Private Bills — For petitions respecting, *see* page 632.
 5. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with :

Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage.
Dover Graving Dock.

Also the Certificate that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in respect of the petitions for additional Provisions in the following Bill :

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.]

And also the Certificate that no Standing Orders are applicable to the following Bill :

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.)

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.
 6. **Westbury Estate Bill [H.L.]**, { Judges' Report *received* : Bill *presented*, and read 1^a.
 7. **Halifax Corporation Bill** — (Petition for additional Provision),
 8. **Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill [H.L.]** — (Petition for additional Provision),
 9. **Penllwyn Railway Bill [H.L.]** — (Petition for additional Provision),
- } The Meeting of the Standing Orders Committee (which stands appointed for Wednesday next) *put off* to *Thursday* next.

10. **Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill** [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision), } Examiners' Certificate of non-compliance with the Standing Orders referred to the Standing Orders Committee on *Friday* next.
11. **Manchester Corporation Bill** [H.L.], } Witnesses ordered to attend the Select Committee.
12. **London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill** [H.L.], } *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
13. **Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Bill** [H.L.], } Report from the Select Committee, That the Committee had not proceeded with the consideration of the Bill, the opposition thereto having been withdrawn; read, and ordered to lie on the Table: The orders made on the 21st of February and the 6th of April *discharged*, and Bill *committed*.
14. **Rhôs-on-Sea Pier Bill,** }
 15. **Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill,** } Read 2^a, and *committed*.
16. **Lloyds Bill** [H.L.], } Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
17. **Hebburn Urban District Council Bill,** }
 18. **London United Tramways Bill,** }
 19. **London and South-Western Railway Bill** [H.L.], } Committee (which stands appointed for To-morrow) *put off* to *Thursday* next.
 20. **Furness Railway Bill,** }
 21. **Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill,** }
 22. **Chichester Gas Bill,** }
 23. **Manchester and Milford Railway Bill,** }
 24. **Tamworth Gas Bill,** }
25. **Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill,** } To be read 2^a on *Thursday* next (The Lord Allendale).
26. **Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill,** } Committee to meet on *Thursday* next.
27. **Afon Lwyd Valley Sewerage Board Bill** [H.L.], } The Lord Chancellor informed the House that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: The Orders made on the 21st of February and the 6th of April last *discharged*: Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with.
28. **Miscellaneous, No. 6. (1911)** — Report by His Majesty's Minister at Berne, respecting the institution known as the Initiative, in Switzerland (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 3. (19), [Cd. 5522.]):
29. **Canals and Waterways** — Final Report on the Canals and Inland Navigations of Ireland from the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report on the canals and inland navigations of the United Kingdom. Volume XII. Appendices:
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.

30. Factory and Workshop (Particulars of Work and Wages)—Order dated the 29th April 1911, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, applying the provisions of Section 116 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, with modifications to factories and workshops in which the making of iron safes is carried on: Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
31. Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 — Statute made by the Governing Body of Brasenose College, Oxford, on the 25th January 1911, amending certain of the Statutes of the College: Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and to be *printed*. (N° 72.)
32. **County Courts Bill** [H.L.], { Order for the House to be in Committee on Wednesday next, *discharged*.
33. **Lunacy Bill** [H.L.], { House to be in Committee on *Thursday* next.
34. **Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) Bill** [H.L.], { A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Banff, Gardenstown, and Port Gordon: And
(N° 73.)
35. **Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) Bill** [H.L.], { A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Brighton, Portsmouth, and Southend-on-Sea—Were *presented* by the Lord Hamilton of Dalzell; read 1^a; to be *printed*; and *referred* to the Examiners.
(N° 74.)
36. **House of Lords Reconstitution Bill** [H.L.], { A Bill to amend the Constitution of the House of Lords— Was *presented* by the Marquess of Lansdowne; read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N° 75.)
37. **Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill** [H.L.], { A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Education under the Education Acts, 1870 to 1907, to enable the London County Council to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts— Was *presented* by the Earl Beauchamp; read 1^a; to be *printed*; and *referred* to the Examiners. (N° 76.)
38. **Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill**, { Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; to be *printed*; and *referred* to the Examiners.
(N° 77.)

House adjourned at half-past Six o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

8th May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage.	1. Fife County Council - 2. The Earl of Elgin and Kincardine. 3. Colonel James Maitland Hunt. 4. Tilbury Contracting and Dredging Company.	Wm. Robertson and Co. Ditto. Grahames, Currey, and Spens. John Kennedy.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST ALTERATION IN PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.]	Glamorgan County Council	Torr and Co.

C A U S E S.

Tuesday the 9th of May.

Hickman and Company *v.* Roberts and others, - Hearing.

Thursday the 11th of May.

Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited	}	Further Hearing.
<i>v.</i> "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,		
Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited <i>v.</i>		
"Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,		

Friday the 12th of May.

Murphy *v.* Attorney-General for Ireland, - Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Wednesday the 10th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage Bill,	}	Second Reading.
Dover Graving Dock Bill,		

At half-past Four o'clock.

St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation Bill [THE LORD PENTLAND],	}	Third Reading.
Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD PENTLAND],		
Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL OF SHAFTESBURY],	}	Report of Amendments.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the position of the Royal Naval Reserves, and to the new restrictions in respect to drill regulations which are imposed upon Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve; to ask whether His Majesty's Government has taken into regard the serious obstacles which are now placed in the way of Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve putting in the requisite drills, whereby the efficiency of this force may be seriously impaired and the supply of Officers considerably reduced; whether His Majesty's Government will now consider the advisability of revising the drill regulations so that reasonable facilities may be provided for Officers of Merchant Ships performing their drills as Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve; and to move for papers.

The Lord Brassey — To call attention to the protection of trade by auxiliary cruisers manned by British seamen.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued.*

The Duke of Bedford — To ask the Secretary of State for War —

1. If the surplus of the Regular Reserve above the requirements of the Expeditionary Force of 28,130 mentioned by the Secretary of State for War on the 4th May last refers to 1910 or to 1913, and is it calculated on Establishment.
 2. What is the standard of age below which Non-Commissioned Officers and Men will not be considered qualified to serve abroad with the Expeditionary Force in India and elsewhere.
 3. If men returning from abroad on the expiration of their term of Color Service are included in the strength of the Reserve for the year in which they return home, and consequently must be counted in the strength of the Reserve and not with the Colors.
 4. If men in the 2nd Class of the Army Reserve are considered fit for the fighting line of the Expeditionary Force.
 5. In view of the fact that the 27 Fourth Battalions of the Special Reserve are not available for Foreign Service, are there any other troops available to discharge the duties abroad which they will be required to perform in connection with the Expeditionary Force when on active service.
 6. If the Secretary of State for War would cause Table I., War Establishments, dated 8th April 1907, to be laid upon the Table of the House in identically the same form as when first issued, but corrected up to date.
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BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Thursday the 11th of May.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill [<i>The Lord Al- dale</i>],	}	
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirma- tion Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Earl Beau- champ</i>],	}	Second Reading.
Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh</i>],	}	Report of Amendments.
Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Earl Carrington</i>],	}	Second Reading.
Poultry Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Earl Carrington</i>],	}	Second Reading.
Lunacy Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Lord Chancellor</i>],	}	Committee.

Monday the 15th of May.

House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Marquess of Lans- downe</i>],	}	Second Reading.
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The Lord Saye and Sele—To ask His Majesty's Government, whether in view of the urgency of the question, and of the long delay already experienced in connection with it, they will say, when the Bill dealing with school attendance, foreshadowed by the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works, in the debate on the 4th of May, will be before the House of Commons.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

The Lord Muskerry—To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 17th of May — continued.

opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

The Earl of Selborne — To call attention to the probable effects of the proposed Canadian-American Reciprocity Agreement on the Commerce and Imperial Relations of the British Empire, and to move for any correspondence or communications with the United States as to the extension to the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire of the tariff concessions granted to Canada, or raising the question of the bearing of this agreement on most-favoured-nation treaties.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

Thursday the 18th of May.

Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill }
 [H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*], } Second Reading.

(*No day named.*)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishoprics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishoprics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued*.

(*No day named*) — continued.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS.

National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.],	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.],		
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],		
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],		
Metropolitan Police Provisional Order,		
Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.],		
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.],		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.),		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.),		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.),		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.),		
Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer),		
Clyde Navigation,		
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 11th of May.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.],		
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.),	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Westbury Estate [H.L.],		
Paignton Urban District Council,		
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],	}	Second Reading on <i>Thursday the 11th of May.</i>
Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction [H.L.],		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.],	} Referred to a Select Committee.
Rights of Way [H.L.], Professional Accountants [H.L.],	} Referred to a Joint Committee.
County Courts [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Blackburn Corporation Water, Port of London Authority, Bicester Urban District Gas, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Marriages Provisional Order, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District), Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Upper Medway Conservancy, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Luton Corporation, Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],	} Committed.
Southampton Harbour, Northampton Corporation, Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Gas Light and Coke Company, Central London Railway,	} Waiting for Select Committees to be named.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

<p>Bristol Corporation, Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.),</p>	}	Waiting for Report.
<p>Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.],</p>	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
<p>Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],</p>	}	Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Coventry Corporation,
Felixstowe and Walton Water,
Warrington Corporation,

} Returned to the Commons amended.

Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], — Waiting for Royal Assent.

 COMMITTEES.

Wednesday the 10th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],		
Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire		
Sewerage Board [H.L.],		

Swansea Gas [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],		
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		
Manchester Corporation [H.L.], Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		

Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.],		
Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.],		
*Metropolitan District Railway,		
*London Electric Railway, *Great Northern Railway,		

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

Thursday the 11th of May.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.)
London United Tramways.
London and South-Western Railway [H.L.]
Furness Railway.
Weston-super-Mare Gas.
Chichester Gas.
Manchester and Milford Railway.
Tamworth Gas.

Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.

COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Thursday the 11th of May — continued.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Penllwyn Railway [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision).
 Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.] — (Petition for
 additional Provision).
 Halifax Corporation — (Petition for additional Provision).

Friday the 12th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, }
 1888 and 1894, and Local Government } Half-past
 (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } Eleven o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.]
 — (Petition for additional Provision).

Tuesday the 16th of May.

Hebburn Urban District Council.
 Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.]
 Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill,
 Metropolitan Water Board (New } Joint Committee;
 Works) Bill [H.L.], } Twelve o'clock.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 9th May.

- Sess. Numb.
 (71.) Bill — National Gallery and St. James's Park.
 (75.) — House of Lords Reconstitution.
 (43 b.) Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill — Amendments to be moved on Report. (E. Shaftesbury; L. Clifford of Chudleigh; L. Macdonnell.)
 (64 a.) Lunacy Bill — Amendment to be moved in Committee. (L. Chancellor.)
 (31.) Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 — University Court Ordinance, No. XXXIV. (Glasgow, No. 10.) Medical Chairs.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
 House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
 [Cd. 5458.] Abstract of Labour Statistics — Board of Trade (Labour Department). Fourteenth Abstract of Labour Statistics of the United Kingdom, 1908–1909.
 [Cd. 5646.] Railway Returns — Return relating to the Railways of the United Kingdom for the Year 1910. (Preliminary Statement.)

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 6th May.

- Sess. Numb.
 [118.] Bill — Solicitors (Scotland).
 [158.] — Sunday Trading (Scotland).
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Mercurii, 10° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. The Marquess of Ailesbury — Sat first in Parliament after the death of his father.
2. The Lord Airedale — Sat first in Parliament after the death of his father.
3. The Lord Bray — Took the Oath.
4. Educational Foundation of Ellin Humphrey — His Majesty's answer to the Address of the 5th of April last, *delivered* by the Lord Steward (*E. Chesterfield*), and read as follows :

I have received your Address praying that I will withhold my consent from so much of the scheme settled by the Board of Education for the administration of the Educational Foundation of Ellin Humphrey, in the Parishes of Llanenddwyn and Llanddwywe in the County of Merioneth as is contained in the proviso to clause 19 (*b*) of the said scheme.

I will comply with your advice.

5. Wheelwright Grammar Schools — His Majesty's answer to the Address of the 5th of April last, *delivered* by the Lord Steward (*E. Chesterfield*), and read as follows :

I have received your Address praying that I will withhold my consent to the scheme settled by the Board of Education in the matter of the Wheelwright Grammar Schools at Dewsbury in the West Riding of the County of York.

I will comply with your advice.

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| <p>6. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.) Bill,</p> | } | <p><i>Reported</i> from the Select Committee, with amendments, and <i>re-committed</i> to a Committee of the Whole House.</p> |
| <p>7. Blackburn Corporation Water Bill,</p> | } | <p>Committee to meet on <i>Tuesday</i> next.</p> |
| <p>8. Port of London Authority Bill,</p> | | |
| <p>9. Upper Medway Conservancy Bill,</p> | } | <p>Read 2^a, and <i>committed</i>: The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.</p> |
| <p>10. Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage Bill,</p> | | |
| <p>11. Coventry Corporation Bill,</p> | } | <p>Returned from the Commons, with the amendments, <i>agreed to</i>.</p> |
| <p>12. Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill,</p> | | |
| <p>13. Warrington Corporation Bill,</p> | | |

14. **London County Council (General Powers) Bill,** } Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; and referred to the Examiners.
15. **Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill** [H.L.], }
 16. **Dundee Harbour (Constitution) Bill** [H.L.], } Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Marquess of Ailesbury be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bills in the place of the Lord Silchester (*E. Longford*); read, and agreed to.
 17. **Manchester Corporation Bill** [H.L.], }
 18. **Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill** [H.L.], }
19. **Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill** [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision), } Meeting of the Standing Orders Committee (which stands appointed for Friday next) put off to *Monday* next.
20. **Great Northern Railway Bill,** } Petition of the Urban District Council of Old Fletton under their Common Seal praying for leave to present a Petition praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bill although the time limited by Standing Order No. 93 for presenting such Petition has expired; read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
21. Treaty Series —
 No. 7. (1911) — Treaty between the United Kingdom and Zanzibar abrogating the Treaty of 30th April 1886; signed at Zanzibar, 4th November 1908. (Ratifications exchanged at Zanzibar, 3rd April 1911.) Declaration abrogating, so far as regards Zanzibar, the Treaty of 31st May 1839, between the United Kingdom and Muscat; signed at Zanzibar, 3rd April 1911;
 No. 8. (1911) — Treaty between the United Kingdom and Germany respecting extradition between British and German Protectorates; signed at Berlin, 30th January 1911. (Ratifications exchanged at Berlin, 1st April 1911);
 No. 9. (1911) — Convention concerning the exchange of Post Office Money Orders between New Zealand and France; signed at Paris, 1st December 1909. (Ratifications exchanged at Paris, 8th April 1911):
22. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
 No. 4641. Portugal (Trade and Commerce of the Azores, 1910);
 No. 4649. Greece (Trade and Commerce of the Morea and the Provinces of Atiolia and Acarnania, 1910);
 No. 4651. France (Trade and Commerce of the Consular District of Havre, 1910):
23. Board of Education (Report on Educational Endowments) — Report of the Departmental Committee on Educational Endowments:
24. Isle of Man (Financial Control) — Correspondence on the subject of financial proposals in the Tynwald Court, Isle of Man:
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
25. India —
 1. (Home Accounts) — Home Accounts of the Government of India;
 2. (Estimate) — Estimate of revenue and expenditure of the Government of India, for the year 1910–1911, compared with the results of 1909–1910;
 3. (Finance and Revenue Accounts) — Finance and Revenue Accounts of the Government of India for the year 1909–1910:
Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.

26. **St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation Bill,** } Read 3^a (according to order), and *passed*.
27. **Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation Bill** [H.L.], } Read 3^a (according to order): Amendments made: Bill *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
28. **Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill** [H.L.], } Amendments *reported* (according to order): Further amendments made: Amendments *moved*, and (by leave of the House) *withdrawn*.
29. Navy (Royal Naval Reserves) — *Moved*, That there be laid before the House papers relating to the position of the Royal Naval Reserves, and to the new restrictions in respect to drill regulations which are imposed upon Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve (The Lord Muskerry); objected to; and, after short debate, motion (by leave of the House) *withdrawn*.
30. Chairman of Committees — *Moved*, That the Earl of Camperdown be appointed to take the Chair in all Committees upon Private Bills in the absence of the Chairman of Committees by reason of illness, except where it shall have been otherwise directed by the House (The Earl Beauchamp); *agreed to*; and ordered accordingly.

House adjourned at five minutes before Seven o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

C A U S E S.

Thursday the 11th of May.

Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited
v. "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another, }
Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited v. } **Further**
"Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another, } **Hearing.**

Friday the 12th of May.

Murphy v. Attorney-General for Ireland, - **Hearing.**

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Thursday the 11th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.],	} Second Reading (by Order).
Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.],	

At half-past Four o'clock.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE],	} Second Reading.
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Pay- ment Confirmation) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	
Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD CLIFFORD OF CHUDLEIGH],	} Report of Amendments.
Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL CAR- RINGTON],	} Second Reading.
Poultry Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL CARRINGTON],	
Lunacy Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD CHANCELLOR],	} Committee

The Duke of Bedford — To ask the Secretary of State for War —

1. If men returning from abroad on the expiration of their term of Color Service are included in the strength of the Reserve for the year in which they return home, and consequently must be counted in the strength of the Reserve and not with the Colors.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued.*

2. If men in the 2nd Class of the Army Reserve are considered fit for the fighting line of the Expeditionary Force.
 3. If the surplus of the Regular Reserve above the requirements of the Expeditionary Force of 28,130 mentioned by the Secretary of State for War on the 4th May last refers to 1910 or to 1913, and is it calculated on Establishment.
 4. What is the standard of age below which Non-Commissioned Officers and Men will not be considered qualified to serve abroad with the Expeditionary Force in India and elsewhere.
 5. In view of the fact that the 27 Fourth Battalions of the Special Reserve are not available for Foreign Service, are there any other troops available to discharge the duties abroad which they will be required to perform in connection with the Expeditionary Force when on active service.
 6. If the Secretary of State for War would cause Table I., War Establishments, dated 8th April 1907, to be laid upon the Table of the House in identically the same form as when first issued, but corrected up to date; and to move for papers.
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 BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Monday the 15th of May.

Great Northern Railway — The Lord Meldrum (*M. Huntly*) to move, That Standing Order No. 93. be considered and dispensed with, and that leave be given to present a Petition of the Urban District Council of Old Fletton praying to be heard against the Bill although the time limited by Standing Order No. 93. for presenting such Petition has expired.

House of Lords Reconstitution Bill }
 [H.L.] [*The Marquess of Lans-*] } Second Reading.
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The Lord Saye and Sele — To ask His Majesty's Government, whether in view of the urgency of the question, and of the long delay already experienced in connection with it, they will say, when the Bill dealing with school attendance, foreshadowed by the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works, in the debate on the 4th of May, will be before the House of Commons.

The Lord Eversley — To move, That the resolution of the House of the 6th of April last, viz., that it is desirable that the Rights of Way Bill [H.L.] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament be rescinded, and that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 17th of May — continued.

The Earl of Selborne — To call attention to the probable effects of the proposed Canadian-American Reciprocity Agreement on the Commerce and Imperial Relations of the British Empire, and to move for any correspondence or communications with the United States as to the extension to the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire of the tariff concessions granted to Canada, or raising the question of the bearing of this agreement on most-favoured-nation treaties.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

Thursday the 18th of May.

Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill }
 [H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*], } Second Reading.

(*No day named.*)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.], Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.], Pier and Harbour Orders Confirma- tion (No. 1.) [H.L.], Pier and Harbour Orders Confirma- tion (No. 2.) [H.L.], Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.), Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer), London County Council (General Powers),	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 11th of May.</i>
Metropolitan Police Provisional Order, Clyde Navigation,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Monday the 15th of May.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Westbury Estate [H.L.], Paignton Urban District Council, Dover Graving Dock,	}	Waiting for Second Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.],
Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.],

} Referred to a Select Committee.

Rights of Way [H.L.],
Professional Accountants [H.L.],

} Referred to a Joint Committee.

County Courts [H.L.],
Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],
Education (School Attendance) [H.L.],
Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.],
Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.),

} Waiting for Committee.

Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.],
Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.],
Penllwyn Railway [H.L.],
Dover Corporation,
Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,
Bicester Urban District Gas,
Marple Urban District Council Gas,
Marriages Provisional Order,
Liverpool Overhead Railway,
Ipswich Corporation,
Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District),
Rhôs-on-Sea Pier,
Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board,
Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways,
Luton Corporation,
Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.],

} Committed.

Southampton Harbour,
Northampton Corporation,
Chesterfield Gas and Water Board,
Gas Light and Coke Company,
Central London Railway,
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage,

} Waiting for Select Committees to be named.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Bristol Corporation, Thorney Drainage [H.L.],	} Waiting for Report.
Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.],	} Waiting for Third Reading.
Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS—*continued.*

Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation,	} Waiting for Royal Assent.
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Thursday the 11th of May.

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| Local Government Provisional Order
(No. 12.),
London United Tramways,
London and South-Western Railway
[H.L.],
Furness Railway,
Weston-super-Mare Gas,
Chichester Gas,
Manchester and Milford Railway,
Tamworth Gas, | } | Three o'clock. |
| Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees,
and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], | } | Select Committee;
Eleven o'clock. |
| Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water
[H.L.],
Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire
Sewerage Board [H.L.], | } | Select Committee;
Eleven o'clock. |
| Swansea Gas [H.L.],
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries
[H.L.],
Dundee Harbour (Constitution)
[H.L.],
Manchester Corporation [H.L.],
Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and
District Gas [H.L.], | } | Select Committee;
Eleven o'clock. |
| Matlock District Railless Traction
[H.L.],
Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.],
Brighton, Hove and District Railless
Traction [H.L.],
Aberdare Urban District Council
[H.L.],
Metropolitan District Railway,
London Electric Railway,
Great Northern Railway, | } | Select Committee;
Eleven o'clock. |
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COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Thursday the 11th of May — continued.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Penllwyn Railway [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),	} Three o'clock.
Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),	
Halifax Corporation — (Petition for additional Provision),	

Friday the 12th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	} Half-past Eleven o'clock.

Monday the 15th of May.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision).

Tuesday the 16th of May.

Hebburn Urban District Council.
Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.]
Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway.
Upper Medway Conservancy.
Blackburn Corporation Water.
Port of London Authority.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	} Joint Committee; Twelve o'clock.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 10th May.

- Sess. Numb.
(63 *a.*) Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation Bill — Amendments to be moved on Third Reading. (L. Pentland.)
- (69 *b.*) Moveable Dwellings Bill — Amendments to be moved on Report. (E. Liverpool.)
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HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 9th May.

- Sess. Numb.
[151.] Bill — Prevention of Destitution.
[191.] — Restaurants (Ireland).
[199.] — Public Roads (Ireland).
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Jovis, 11° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another — Further heard, and adjourned till *To-morrow*.
2. Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another — Adjourned till *To-morrow*.
3. *McVittie v. Townend* — Set down for hearing.
4. *Deeley v. Lloyds Bank, Limited* — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging her printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 31st day of this instant May (the agent for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and *referred* to the Appeal Committee.
5. *Barnes v. Nunnery Colliery Company, Limited* — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended for fourteen days after the Order to be made by this House, on the petition of the Appellant, presented on the 27th day of March last; read, and *referred* to the Appeal Committee.
6. The Viscount Wolverhampton — Sat first in Parliament after the death of his father.
7. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
8. Private Bill — For petition respecting, *see* page 681.
9. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate from the Examiners that the Standing Orders applicable to the following Bill have been complied with :

**Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation
(Durham, &c.)** [H.L.]

The same was ordered to lie on the Table.
10. Standing Orders Committee — Report from, That the Standing Orders not complied with in respect of the petitions for additional Provisions in the following Bills ought to be dispensed with and leave given to the Committees on the Bills to insert the additional Provisions.

Penllwyn Railway [H.L.]

Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.]

Also that the Standing Orders not complied with in respect of the petition for additional Provision in the

Halifax Corporation Bill

ought to be dispensed with :

Read, and *agreed to*.

11. **Metropolitan District Railway Bill,** } Report from the Select Committee, That the Committee had not proceeded with the consideration of the Bill, no parties having appeared in opposition thereto; read, and ordered to lie on the Table: The orders made on the 5th of April last and the 4th instant *discharged*, and Bill *committed*.
12. **Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill,** } *Reported* with amendments, and *re-committed* to a Committee of the Whole House on *Monday* next.
13. **London United Tramways Bill,** - *Reported*, without amendment.
14. **London and South-Western Railway Bill** [H.L.], } *Reported*, with amendments.
15. **Furness Railway Bill,** }
 16. **Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill,** }
 17. **Chichester Gas Bill,** } *Reported*, without amendment.
 18. **Manchester and Milford Railway Bill,** }
19. **Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill** [H.L.], } Read 2^a (according to order), and *committed*: The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.
20. **Oldham and Saddleworth District Railless Traction Bill** [H.L.], } The Lord Chancellor informed the House that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: Order of the Day for the Second Reading read and *discharged*: Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with.
21. **Marriages Provisional Order Bill,** } Committee to meet on *Tuesday* next.
22. **Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.) Bill,** } House to be in Committee on *Monday* next.
23. **West Cheshire Water Bill,** } Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; and *referred* to the
 24. **Wirral Water Bill,** } Examiners.
25. Guilds of Help in England — Report to the President of the Local Government Board by G. R. Snowden, Assistant-General Inspector:
26. Bagdad Railway, No. 1. (1911) — Convention of 5th March 1903; Statutes of Imperial Bagdad Railway Company; Specification; Loan Contract, First Series 1903; Loan Contract, Second and Third Series 1908; Additional Convention of 2nd June, 1908 (with Maps):
27. Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Annual Report of the Intelligence Division. Part I. Proceedings under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, 1875 to 1907, the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 to 1894, the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, and the Board of Agriculture Act, 1889 (section 2, subsection 3), for the year 1910:
28. Prisons (International Penitentiary Congress at Washington, 1910) — Report to the Secretary for Scotland on the proceedings of the Eighth International Penitentiary Congress, held at Washington, October 1910, by the Honourable W. G. Scott, Master of Polwarth, Chairman of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland:
- Presented* (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.

29. **Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill** [H.L.], } To be read 3^a on *Thursday* the 25th instant, and to be *printed* as amended on Report. (N^o 78.)
30. **Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill** [H.L.], } A Bill to enable certain Bodies Corporate acting as executors and trustees to charge fees for their services, and to act as sole executors and trustees, and for other purposes — Was *presented* by the Lord Avebury; read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N^o 79.)
31. Chairman of Committees — *Moved*, That the Earl of Camperdown do take the Chair in all Committees of the Whole House during the absence of the Chairman of Committees through illness (The Earl Beauchamp); *agreed to*; and ordered accordingly.
32. **Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill**, } Read 2^a (according to order), and *committed*: The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.
33. **Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation Bill** [H.L.], } Read 2^a (according to order).
34. **Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage Bill**,
35. **Southampton Harbour Bill**,
36. **Northampton Corporation Bill**,
37. **Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill**,
38. **Gas Light and Coke Company Bill**,
39. **Central London Railway Bill**,
40. **Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill**, } Report from the Committee of Selection, That the following Lords be proposed to the House to form the Select Committee for the consideration of the said Bills; (*viz.*),
- E. Plymouth (chairman),
V. Falmouth,
L. Zouche of Haryngworth,
L. Ravensworth,
L. Clanwilliam (*E. Clanwilliam*);
- agreed to*; and the said Lords appointed accordingly: The Committee to meet on *Wednesday* next, at Eleven o'clock; and all Petitions *referred* to the Committee, with leave to the Petitioners praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bills to be heard as desired, as also Counsel for the Bills.
41. **Moveable Dwellings Bill** [H.L.], } Amendments *reported* (according to order): A further amendment *moved*; objected to; and, on question, *agreed to* (*see Division List annexed*): A further amendment made: Bill to be read 3^a on *Wednesday* next, and to be *printed* as amended. (N^o 80.)
42. **Small Holdings and Allotments Bill** [H.L.], } Order of the Day for the Second Reading, read: *Moved*, That the Bill be now read 2^a: After short debate, *agreed to*: Bill read 2^a accordingly, and *committed* to a Committee of the Whole House.

43. Poultry Bill [H.L.],

{ Read 2^a (according to order), and
committed to a Committee of the
Whole House.

44. Lunacy Bill [H.L.],

{ House in Committee (according to
order): An amendment made :
An amendment *moved*, and (by
leave of the Committee) *with-*
drawn: Bill to be *printed* as
amended. (N° 81.)

45. Army — *Moved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty for further papers relating to the Army Reserve, &c. (The Duke of Bedford): After short debate, motion (by leave of the House) *withdrawn*.

House adjourned at twenty minutes past Seven o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

11th May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST ALTERATION IN PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.]	Perth Corporation -	Wm. Robertson and Co.

CAUSES.

Friday the 12th of May.

Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited v. "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,	}	Further Hearing.
Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited v. "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,	}	Hearing.
Murphy v. Attorney-General for Ireland,	}	

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Monday the 15th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Kingston-upon-Hull Corporation Bill [H.L.],	}	Third Reading.
London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill [H.L.],		

East Kent Electric Power — THE CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES to move, That the Order made on the 29th day of March last, "That this House will not receive any petition for a Private Bill "later than Tuesday the 9th day of May next," be dispensed with in respect of a petition of the South-East Kent Electric Power Company, Limited, under their Common Seal, Promoters of the East Kent Electric Power Bill.

Great Northern Railway Bill — THE LORD MELDRUM (*M. Huntly*) to move, That Standing Order No. 93. be considered and dispensed with, and that leave be given to present a petition of the Urban District Council of Old Fletton praying to be heard against the Bill although the time limited by Standing Order No. 93. for presenting such petition has expired.

At half-past Four o'clock.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE],	}	Committee
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE],		
House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.] [THE MARQUESS OF LANSDOWNE],	}	Second Reading.

The Lord Saye and Sele — To ask His Majesty's Government, whether in view of the urgency of the question, and of the long delay already experienced in connection with it, they will say, when the Bill dealing with school attendance, foreshadowed by the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works, in the debate on the 4th of May, will be introduced.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued.*

The Lord Eversley — To move, That the resolution of the House of the 6th of April last, viz., that it is desirable that the Rights of Way Bill [H.L.] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament be rescinded, and that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee.

The Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*) — To move that the Viscount Hutchinson (*E. Donoughmore*) be appointed Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the Session.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

The Earl of Selborne — To call attention to the probable effects of the proposed Canadian-American Reciprocity Agreement on the Commerce and Imperial Relations of the British Empire, and to move for any correspondence or communications with the United States as to the extension to the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire of the tariff concessions granted to Canada, or raising the question of the bearing of this agreement on most-favoured-nation treaties.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh*], } Third Reading.

Thursday the 18th of May.

Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill } Second Reading.
[H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*],

Wednesday the 24th of May.

The Lord Wynford — To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 24th of May — continued.

instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

Thursday the 25th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) }
 Amendment Bill [H.L.] [The } Third Reading.
Earl of Shaftesbury],

(*No day named.*)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
 [*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

National Gallery and St. James's
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 Electric Lighting Provisional Orders
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 Widnes and Runcorn Bridge
 (Transfer),
 Wirral Water,
 West Cheshire Water,

Referred to the Examiners.

Metropolitan Police Provisional
 Order,
 Clyde Navigation,
 London County Council (General
 Powers),

To be heard by the Examiners on
Monday the 15th of May.

Trustee (Bodies Corporate) [H.L.],
 Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs
 Letting and Rates Collection
 (Scotland) [H.L.],
 Education Board Provisional Orders
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 [H.L.],
 Local Government Provisional Orders
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 Paignton Urban District Council,
 Dover Graving Dock,

Waiting for Second Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.],	} Referred to a Select Committee.
Rights of Way [H.L.], Professional Accountants [H.L.],	} Referred to a Joint Committee.
Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.],	} Waiting for Commitment.
Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Bicester Urban District Gas, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District), Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Luton Corporation, Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway,	} Committed.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],	} Waiting for Select Committees to be named.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Lunacy [H.L.], Tamworth Gas, Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Bristol Corporation, Thorney Drainage [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
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North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London United Tramways, London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], Furness Railway, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Chichester Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway,	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
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Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Water [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
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BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.
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Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrews Ambulance Association Order Confirmation,	} Waiting for Royal Assent.
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COMMITTEES.

Friday the 12th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],	
Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire	
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Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Swansea Gas [H.L.],	
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],	
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],	
Manchester Corporation [H.L.],	
Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],	

Matlock District Railless Traction [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Malvern Electric Traction [H.L.],	
Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],	
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.],	
London Electric Railway,	
Great Northern Railway,	

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	} Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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Monday the 15th of May.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.] — (Petition for additional Provision),	} A quarter before Four o'clock.
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COMMITTEES — *continued.**Tuesday the 16th of May.*

Marriages Provisional Order.
 Hebburn Urban District Council.
 Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.]
 Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway.
 Upper Medway Conservancy.
 Blackburn Corporation Water.
 Port of London Authority.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	}	Joint Committee; Twelve o'clock.
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Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage, *Southampton Harbour, *Northampton Corporation, *Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, *Gas Light and Coke Company, *Central London Railway, *Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPER.

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*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
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Sess. Numb.

Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and
Finance —

[Cd. 5465-29.] Denmark: Financial Condition of Denmark with a Survey
of the Estimates for 1910-1911 and 1911-1912, for the
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Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.]

Clause 2, page 2, line 24, after (" Act ") *moved* to insert (" and it shall be the duty
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Veneris, 12^o Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another — Further and fully heard, and consideration adjourned *sine die*.
2. Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another — Fully heard, and consideration adjourned *sine die*.
3. Murphy *v.* Attorney-General for Ireland — Heard for the Appellant: Counsel appearing for the Respondent, but not called on: Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
4. Baron Decies — Report made from the Lord Chancellor that the right of John Graham Hope Horsley, Baron Decies, in the Peerage of Ireland, to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland has been established to the satisfaction of the Lord Chancellor; read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

House adjourned at a quarter before Three o'clock, to Monday next,
a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Lunæ, 15° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
2. Baron Decies — Ordered, That the Report of the Lord Chancellor of the United Kingdom, made to the House of Lords on Wednesday last, that the right of the Baron Decies to vote at the elections of Representative Peers for Ireland has been established to his satisfaction be sent to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, together with a certificate stating that such report has been made, and that the House has ordered it to be sent to the said Clerk of the Crown in Ireland.
3. The Earl Amherst — Sat first in Parliament after the death of his brother.
4. The Lord Lovell and Holland (*E. Egmont*) — Sat first in Parliament after the death of his kinsman.
5. Private Bills — For petitions respecting, *see* page 704.
6. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate from the Examiners that the Standing Orders applicable to the following Bill have been complied with:

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order.

Also the Certificates that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with:

Clyde Navigation.

London County Council (General Powers).

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

7. Standing Orders Committee — Report from, That the Standing Orders not complied with in respect of the petition for additional Provision in the
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.]

ought to be dispensed with, and leave given to the Committee on the Bill to insert the additional Provision:

Read, and *agreed to*.

8. **Penllwyn Railway Bill** [H.L.]
 9. **Metropolitan District Railway Bill,**
- } Committee to meet *To-morrow*.

10. **Bicester Urban District Gas Bill,** } The Lord Chancellor informed the House that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: The Order of the 2nd instant *discharged*: Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with.
11. **Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill** [H.L.], }
 12. **Dundee Harbour (Constitution) Bill** [H.L.], } Leave given to the Select Committee not to sit *To-morrow* until Two o'clock.
 13. **Manchester Corporation Bill** [H.L.], }
14. **Tamworth Gas Bill,** - *Reported*, with amendments.
15. **Star Life Assurance Society Bill** [H.L.], } *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
16. **Malvern Electric Traction Bill** [H.L.], } Report from the Select Committee that the Promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with.
17. **Matlock District Railless Traction Bill** [H.L.], } Report from the Select Committee that it is not expedient to proceed further with the Bill; read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
18. **Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill** [H.L.], } Report from the Select Committee, That the Committee had not proceeded with the consideration of the Bill the opposition thereto having been withdrawn; read, and ordered to lie on the Table: The orders made on the 23rd of February and 6th of April *discharged*, and Bill *committed*.
19. **London Electric Railway Bill,** } Report from the Select Committee, That the Committee had not proceeded with the consideration of the Bill the opposition thereto having been withdrawn; read, and ordered to lie on the Table: The orders made on the 4th of April last and 4th instant *discharged*, and Bill *committed* for *Tuesday* next.
20. **Kingston-upon-Hull Corporation Bill** [H.L.], }
 21. **London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill** [H.L.], } Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
22. East Kent Electric Power, } *Moved*, That the Order made on the 29th day of March last, "That " this House will not receive any petition for a Private Bill later than " Tuesday the 9th day of May next " be dispensed with in respect of a petition of the South East Kent Electric Power Company, Limited, under their Common Seal, promoters of the East Kent Electric Power Bill; *agreed to*, the said petition praying for leave to bring in a Bill for transferring to the South East Kent Electric Power Company, Limited, certain of the powers of the Kent Electric Power Company, and for other purposes; *presented* accordingly, together with a copy of the proposed Bill annexed thereto, and read and *referred* to the Examiners.

23. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill, (N^o 82.)
24. Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill, (N^o 83.)
25. Chasetown Gas Bill,
26. Luton Water Bill [H.L.],
27. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) Bill [H.L.],
28. Treaty Series, No. 10. (1911) — Convention between the United Kingdom and Denmark renewing for a further period of five years the Arbitration Convention of 25th October 1905, *see* Treaty Series, No. 5. (1906); signed in London, 3rd March 1911. (Ratifications exchanged in London, 3rd May 1911):
29. Education (Scotland) — Code of Regulations for Continuation Classes, 1911:
30. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
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31. Board of Education — Report of the Imperial Education Conference, 1911:
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34. Education Commissioners (Ireland) — Annual Report for the year 1910:
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38. Science Museum at South Kensington — Further correspondence and memoranda on the subject of the provision of a site for a new Science Museum at South Kensington (in continuation of [Cd. 5650.]):
39. Mines and Quarries — Reports of His Majesty's Inspectors of Mines under the Coal Mines Regulation Acts, 1887 to 1908, the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Acts, 1872 and 1875, and the Quarries Act, 1894, for the year 1910—
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 3. Durham District (A. D. Nicholson);
 4. York and North Midland District (W. H. Pickering);
 5. Manchester and Ireland District (John Gerrard);
 6. Liverpool and North Wales District (T. H. Mottram);
 7. South Wales District (W. N. Atkinson);
 8. Midland and Southern District (Hugh Johnstone):

Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.

40. Friendly Societies, Workmen's Compensation Schemes, Industrial and Provident Societies, and Trade Unions — Reports of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, for the year ended 31st December 1910. Part A. :
41. Building Societies — Sixteenth Annual Report, by the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, of the proceedings of the registrars under the Building Societies Acts, with an abstract of the accounts and statements of societies, for the year 1910. Part I. Report :
42. Shop Hours Act, 1904 —
1. Order made by the Council of the Urban District of Walthamstow and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of shops within the Urban District ;
 2. Order made by the Council of the County of Nottingham and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of shops within the Sutton-in-Ashfield Urban District :
43. Penal Servitude Acts, 1853–1891 (Conditional Licence) — Licence granted to Agnes Gelder discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a home :
44. Superannuation — Treasury Minute, dated 8th May 1911, declaring that William Davidson, postman, Montrose Post Office, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.
Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
45. Medway Conservancy Act, 1881 — Statement of receipts and expenditure by the Conservators of the River Medway from 25th March 1910 to 25th March 1911 : *Delivered* (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
46. Chairman of Committees — *Moved*, That the Viscount Hutchinson (*E. Donoughmore*) be appointed Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the Session (The Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)); *agreed to, nemine dissentiente.*
47. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill, { House in Committee (according to order) : The amendments proposed by the Committee made: The Report of Amendments to be received *To-morrow.*
48. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.) Bill, { House in Committee (according to order) : The amendments proposed by the Select Committee made: The Report of Amendments to be received *To-morrow.*
49. House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.], { Order of the Day for the Second Reading read : *Moved*, That the Bill be now read 2^a ; and, a debate arising thereupon, the further debate adjourned till *To-morrow.*
50. Rights of Way Bill [H.L.], { *Moved*, That the resolution of the House of the 6th of April last, viz. : “ That it is desirable that the Rights of Way Bill [H.L.] be referred to “ a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament be rescinded, and that “ the Bill be referred to a Select Committee ” (The Lord Eversley); *agreed to, and ordered accordingly.*

51. **Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) Bill** [H.L.], } House to be in Committee on
Monday next.

House adjourned at a quarter before Eleven o'clock, till To-morrow,
a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

15th *May.*

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST ALTERATION IN PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Southampton Harbour	Southampton Corporation	Sharpe and Co.

IN FAVOUR.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.]	1. D. McUlaster and others, ratepayers and electors of the City and Royal Burgh of Dundee. 2. Dundee Trades' Council and others.	John Kennedy. Ditto.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Tuesday the 16th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

North Eastern Railway Bill [H.L.],	}	Third Reading.
London United Tramways Bill,		
London and South-Western Railway Bill [H.L.],		
Furness Railway Bill,		
Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill,		
Chichester Gas Bill, Manchester and Milford Rail- way Bill,		

At half-past Four o'clock.

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	}	Second Reading.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE],		
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE],	}	Report of Amendments.
House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.] [THE MARQUESS OF LANSDOWNE],		
	}	Adjourned debate on the motion for the Second Reading.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

Moveable Dwellings Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clifford of Chudleigh*], } Third Reading.

Thursday the 18th of May.

Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill } Second Reading.
[H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*], }

The Earl of Selborne — To call attention to the probable effects of the proposed Canadian-American Reciprocity Agreement on the Commerce and Imperial Relations of the British Empire, and to move for any correspondence or communications with the United States as to the extension to the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire of the tariff concessions granted to Canada, or raising the question of the bearing of this agreement on most-favoured-nation treaties.

Monday the 22nd of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Belper*], } Committee.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.**Wednesday the 24th of May.*

The Lord Wynford — To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

The Lord Heneage — To ask His Majesty's Government what steps have been taken by the Admiralty to enrol fishermen in the new Naval Reserve at the Humber Ports, and whether it is true that their efforts have failed to obtain a sufficient number of men; and, if so, what in the opinion of the Admiralty, is the cause of such failure.

Thursday the 25th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) }
 Amendment Bill [H.L.] [The } Third Reading.
Earl of Shaftesbury],

(No day named.)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — *continued.*

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.],	}	Referred to the Examiners.		
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.),				
Land Drainage Provisional Order,				
Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.],				
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],				
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],				
Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.],				
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.],				
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.],				
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.),				
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.),				
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.),				
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.),				
Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer),				
Chasetown Gas,				
Wirral Water,			}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Tuesday the 16th of May.</i>
West Cheshire Water,				
East Kent Electric Power — (Petition for Bill),	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 18th of May.</i>		
Trustee (Bodies Corporate) [H.L.],				
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Second Reading.		
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.),				
Westbury Estate [H.L.],				
Paignton Urban District Council, Dover Graving Dock,				

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order, Clyde Navigation, London County Council (General Powers),	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],	} Referred to a Select Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.],	- Referred to a Joint Committee.
Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.],	} Waiting for Commitment.
Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District), Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Luton Corporation, Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.], Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],	} Committed.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],	} Waiting for Select Committees to be named.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Lunacy [H.L.], Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Bristol Corporation, Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Swansea Gas [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
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Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.], Tamworth Gas,	}	(Amend- ments),	Waiting for Third Reading.
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Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
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BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Chester Water [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Midland Railway [H.L.],		
Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],		
Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.],		
London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.],		

Luton Water [H.L.],	}	Waiting for consideration of Commons Amendments.
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Coventry Corporation,	}	Waiting for Royal Assent.
Felixstowe and Walton Water,		
Warrington Corporation,		
Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],		
St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Order Confirmation,		

COMMITTEES.

Tuesday the 16th of May.

Marriages Provisional Order, Hebburn Urban District Council, Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way, Metropolitan District Railway, Upper Medway Conservancy, Blackburn Corporation Water, Port of London Authority, London Electric Railway, Penllwyn Railway [H.L.],	}	Three o'clock.
Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.], Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.], Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.], Manchester Corporation [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Two o'clock.
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Great Northern Railway,	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	}	Joint Committee; Twelve o'clock.
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage, *Southampton Harbour, *Northampton Corporation, *Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, *Gas Light and Coke Company, *Central London Railway, *Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Friday the 19th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts,
1888 and 1894, and Local Government
(Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } Half-past
Eleven o'clock.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 12th May.

- Sess. Numb.
(78.) Bill — Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment: [As Amended on Report.]
- [Cd. 5633.] Egypt, No. 1 (1911) — Reports by His Majesty's Agent and Consul-General on the Finances, Administration, and Condition of Egypt and the Soudan in 1910.

13th May.

- (80.) Bill — Moveable Dwellings: [As Amended on Report.]
- (81.) — Lunacy: [As Amended in Committee.]
- (51.) Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 — Statute made by the Governing Body of Worcester College, Oxford, on the 30th November 1910, and sealed on the 9th December 1910, amending certain of the Statutes of the College.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —
- [Cd. 5465-30.] Netherlands: Trade of the Consular District of Amsterdam for 1910. No. 4637.
- [Cd. 5465-31.] Hayti and Santo Domingo: Trade, Commerce, and Navigation of the Republics of Hayti and Santo Domingo for 1910. No. 4638.
- [Cd. 5465-33.] Peru: Trade of Iquitos for 1910. No. 4640.
- [Cd. 5465-36.] Portugal: Trade and Commerce of the Consular District of Oporto for 1910. No. 4643.
- [Cd. 5603.] Departmental Committee on Minor Legal Appointments (Scotland) — Minutes of Evidence; with Index.
- [Cd. 5639.] Irish Land Commission — Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the Month of March 1910.
- [Cd. 5642.] Mines (Royal Commission on) — Minutes of Evidence; with Index. Vol. V.
- [Cd. 5647.] Coal Shipments — Tables giving Details as to Shipments of Coal Abroad, Coastwise, and as Bunkers from each Port of the United Kingdom, for each Quarter of the Years 1909 and 1910 (in continuation of House of Commons Paper, No. 109, of Session 1910).

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS—*continued.*

- Sess. Numb.
 [Cd. 5648.] Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Annual Report of the Land Division. Proceedings under the Small Holdings and Allotments Act, 1908, the Universities and College Estates Acts, the Glebe Lands Act, 1888, the Improvement of Land Acts, the Settled Land Acts, the Agricultural Holdings Acts, and certain other Acts for the Year 1910. Part II. Allotments and Miscellaneous.
- [Cd. 5651.] White Slave Traffic — Correspondence respecting the Fourth International Congress on the White Slave Traffic, held in Madrid, October 1910.
- [Cd. 5664.] Guilds of Help in England — Report by G. R. Snowden, an Assistant General Inspector of the Local Government Board.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 11th May.

- Sess. Numb.
 [198.] Bill — National Insurance.
- 12th May.*
- [189.] Bill — Offices Regulation.
- [195.] — Music and Dancing Licences.
- [206.] — Parliament: [As Amended in Committee and on Report.]
- [128.] + and [141.] Commons — First and Second Reports and Special Report from the Select Committee.
- [147.] National Insurance Bill — Explanatory Memorandum.

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Martis, 16° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Taylor <i>v.</i> London and North-Western Railway Company (England), 2. Howley Park Coal and Cannel Company <i>v.</i> London and North-Western Railway Company (England), 3. Farmer (Surveyor of Taxes) <i>v.</i> Scottish North American Trust, Limited (Scotland), | } | <p>Appeals <i>presented</i>, and read; and the Respondents in each Appeal ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Tuesday the 27th day of June next.</p> |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Dignam (pauper) <i>v.</i> Dublin United Tramways Company (1896), Limited — Petition of the Appellant for leave to withdraw the Appeal (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed. 5. J. and E. Kish <i>v.</i> Charles Taylor, Sons, and Company — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 30th day of June next (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed. 6. Humphries <i>v.</i> Humphries — Petition of the Appellant (lodged 11th May 1911) that the time for giving the usual security for costs required by Standing Order No. IV. and for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 23rd day of June next; read, and <i>referred</i> to the Appeal Committee. 7. Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham — Petition of Cuthbert Matthias Kenworthy, of Leinster Gardens, in the Parish of Paddington, in the County of London (claiming to be one of the co-heirs of the ancient Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham) to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to admit and allow his claim as one of the right heirs to the said Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham, and to determine in his favour the abeyance now existing in some one of the said Baronies, and to issue to him a writ of summons to Parliament, and in case it should be held that the Barony of Cobham is affected by the Act of Attainder of 1603, to be graciously pleased to give directions for the introduction of a Bill into Parliament to relieve the Petitioner from the effects of the said Act, in so far as it relates to the said honour and dignity of Cobham, together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House, and the report of the Attorney-General thereon thereunto annexed: <i>Presented</i> (by command); read, and <i>referred</i> to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report. | | |

8. Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham — Petition of Reginald Gervase Alexander, of Blackwall Lodge, in the Parish of Halifax and County of York (claiming to be one of the co-heirs of the ancient Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham) to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to admit and allow his claim as one of the right heirs to the said Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham, and to determine in his favour the abeyance now existing in some one of the said Baronies, and to issue to him a writ of summons to Parliament, and in case it should be held that the Barony of Cobham is affected by the Act of Attainder of 1603, to be graciously pleased to give directions for the introduction of a Bill to relieve the Petitioner from the effects of the said Act, in so far as it relates to the said honour and dignity of Cobham, together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House, and the report of the Attorney-General thereon thereunto annexed: *Presented* (by command); read, and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report.
9. Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham — Petition of Alexander Henry Leith, of Freefield and Glenkindie, in the County of Aberdeen (claiming to be one of the co-heirs of the ancient Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham) to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to admit and allow his claim to be one of the right heirs to the said Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham, and to determine in his favour the abeyance now existing in all or some one or more of the said Baronies, and to issue to him a writ of summons to Parliament in respect thereof; and, in case it should be held that the Barony of Cobham is affected by the Act of Attainder of 1603, to be graciously pleased to give directions for the introduction of a Bill into Parliament to relieve the Petitioner from the effects of the said Act, in so far as it relates to the honour and dignity of Cobham; together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House, and the report of the Attorney-General thereon thereunto annexed: *Presented* (by command); read, and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report.
10. Baronies of Dynaunt and Fitzwaryn — Petition of the Right Honourable Sir Henry Charles, Viscount Gage of Castle Island, County Kerry; Baron Gage of Castlebar, County Mayo, both in the Peerage of Ireland; Baron Gage of High Meadow, County Gloucester, in the Peerage of Great Britain, and a Baronet; and of Sir Robert Bouchier Sherard Wrey, of Tawstock Court, in the County of Devon, Baronet, to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to determine the abeyances now existing in the Baronies of Dynaunt and Fitzwaryn in their favour, and that His Majesty will be graciously pleased to determine the abeyance now existing in the said Barony of Dynaunt in favour of the Petitioner, Henry Charles, Viscount Gage, together with the rights, privileges, pre-eminences, immunities, and advantages, and the place and precedence due and belonging thereto, to hold the same to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten and to be begotten for ever, and to summon him to Parliament as Lord Dynaunt; also that His Majesty will be graciously pleased to determine the abeyance now existing in the said Barony of Fitzwaryn in favour of the Petitioner, Sir Robert Bouchier Sherard Wrey, Baronet, together with the rights, privileges, pre-eminences, immunities, and advantages, and the place and precedence due and belonging thereto, to hold the same to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten and to be begotten for ever, and to summon him to Parliament as Lord Fitzwaryn; together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House, and the Attorney-General's report thereon thereunto annexed: *Presented* (by command); read, and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report.
11. Barony of Martin — Petition of the Right Honourable Sir Henry Charles, Viscount Gage of Castle Island, County Kerry; Baron Gage of Castlebar, County Mayo, both in the Peerage of Ireland; Baron Gage of High Meadow, County Gloucester, in the Peerage of Great Britain, and a Baronet, and of Sir Robert Bouchier Sherard Wrey, of Tawstock Court,

in the County of Devon, to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to determine the abeyance now existing in the said Barony of Martin in favour of the said Petitioner, Henry Charles, Viscount Gage, together with the rights, privileges, pre-eminences, immunities, and advantages, and the place and precedence due and belonging thereto, to hold the same to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten and to be begotten for ever, and to summon him to Parliament as Lord Martin; together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House, and the Attorney-General's report thereon thereunto annexed: *Presented* (by command); read, and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report.

12. **Earldom of Oxford** — Petition of Sir John James Hugh Henry Stewart Murray, K.T., Duke of Atholl, Marquess and Earl of Atholl, Marquess and Earl of Tullibardine, Earl of Strathtay and Strathardle, Viscount Glenalmond, Balquhidder, and Glenlyon, Baron Murray of Tullibardine, Lord Balquhidder, Balvenie, and Gask in Scotland, Baron Strange of Knockyn in England; Earl Strange, Baron Percy and Baron Murray of Stanley, County Gloucester in Great Britain; Baron Glenlyon of Glenlyon in the United Kingdom, to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to terminate in his favour the abeyance now existing in the Earldom of Oxford, together with the rights, privileges, pre-eminences, immunities, and advantages, and the place and precedence due and belonging thereto, to hold the same to him and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten and to be begotten for ever; together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House, and the report of the Attorney-General thereon thereunto annexed: *Presented* (by command); read, and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report.
13. **Barony of Latimer** — Petition of Francis Burdett Thomas Money Coutts now called Francis Coutts of Stoodleigh, Tiverton, in the County of Devon, nephew and heir of Angela Georgina Baroness Burdett-Coutts, deceased, to His Majesty praying His Majesty to terminate in favour of the said Francis Coutts the abeyance now existing in the Barony of Latimer, together with the rights, privileges, pre-eminences, immunities, and advantages and the place and precedence due and belonging thereto, to hold the same to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten and to be begotten for ever; together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House, and the report of the Attorney-General thereon thereunto annexed: *Presented* (by command), and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report.
14. **Barony of Furnivall** — Petition of Etheldreda Mary, Baroness Petre, widow and relict of Bernard Henry Philip, fourteenth Baron Petre of Writtle, in the County of Essex, deceased, as mother and next friend of Mary Frances Katherine Petre, commonly called the Honourable Mary Frances Katherine Petre, an infant, to His Majesty, praying His Majesty to terminate in favour of the said Honourable Mary Frances Katherine Petre, the abeyance now existing in the Barony of Furnivall, together with the rights, privileges, pre-eminences, immunities, and advantages, and the place and precedence due and belonging thereto, to hold the same to her and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten and to be begotten for ever; together with His Majesty's reference thereof to this House and the report of the Attorney-General thereon thereunto annexed: *Presented* (by command), and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges to consider and report.
15. **Sir Edward Priaulx Tennant, Baronet, Lord High Commissioner Designate to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, having been created Baron Glenconner of Glen in the County of Peebles** — Was (in the usual manner) introduced.
16. **Several Lords** — Took the Oath.
17. **Private Bills** — For petitions respecting, *see* page 723.

18. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with:

Wirral Water.

West Cheshire Water.

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

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| 19. Swansea Gas Bill [H.L.], | { | <i>Reported</i> from the Select Committee, with amendments. |
| 20. Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill [H.L.], | { | The Duke of Wellington, Chairman of the Select Committee, reported that the Earl of Londesborough was not present this day, and that the Committee continued sitting in his absence, all parties having consented thereto; read, and ordered to lie on the Table. |
| 21. Marriages Provisional Order Bill, | { | Committee (which stands appointed for this day) <i>put off sine die</i> . |
| 22. Blackburn Corporation Water Bill, | } | <i>Reported</i> , with amendments. |
| 23. Hebburn Urban District Council Bill, | | |
| 24. Upper Medway Conservancy Bill, | | |
| 25. Metropolitan District Railway Bill, | | |
| 26. Port of London Authority Bill, | } | <i>Reported</i> , without amendment. |
| 27. Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill, | | |
| 28. North Eastern Railway Bill [H.L.], | { | Read 3 ^a , and <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |
| 29. London United Tramways Bill, | - | Read 3 ^a , and <i>passed</i> . |
| 30. London and South-Western Railway Bill [H.L.], | { | Read 3 ^a , and <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |
| 31. Furness Railway Bill, | } | Read 3 ^a , and <i>passed</i> . |
| 32. Weston-super-Mare Gas Bill, | | |
| 33. Chichester Gas Bill, | | |
| 34. Manchester and Milford Railway Bill, | | |
| 35. Parliament Bill, | - | Brought from the Commons. |
| 36. Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, | { | Brought from the Commons; read 1 ^a ; to be <i>printed</i> , and <i>referred</i> to the Examiners.
(N ^o 85.) |
| 37. Sligo Corporation Bill, | { | Brought from the Commons; read 1 ^a , and <i>referred</i> to the Examiners. |
| 38. London Cemetery Company Bill [H.L.], | { | Returned from the Commons, <i>agreed to</i> , with amendments. |

39. **Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage Bill,** } Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Earl of Harewood be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bill in the place of the Lord Zouche of Haryngworth; read, and *agreed to.*
40. Persia, No. 1. (1911) — Further correspondence respecting the affairs of Persia (in continuation of "Persia, No. 1. (1910)," [Cd. 5120.]):
41. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
 No. 4648. Venezuela (Ciudad Bolivar, 1910);
 No. 4652. Austria-Hungary (Bosnia-Herzegovina, 1910);
 No. 4653. Mexico (Consular District of Colima, 1910);
 No. 4654. Netherlands (District of Rotterdam, 1910);
 No. 4655. Japan (Consular District of Hakodate, 1910);
 No. 4656. Spain (Provinces of the Asturias, Galicia, and Leon, 1910):
42. Argentine Centennial Exhibitions — Report on the Argentine Centennial Exhibitions, Buenos Aires, 1910:
43. British Guiana — Report on the Nastin treatment for leprosy at the Mahaica Leper Asylum, British Guiana, 1908–1910, by Dr. K. S. Wise, Government Bacteriologist:
44. Bank of British North America — Draft supplemental charter:
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
45. Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890 — Orders in Council, dated the 4th of May 1911, entitled —
 1. The Northern Rhodesia Order in Council, 1911;
 2. The Southern Rhodesia Order in Council, 1911;
 3. The Bechuanaland Protectorate (Tati District) Order in Council, 1911:
46. Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 — Order in Council, dated the 4th of May 1911, confirming Ordinance No. 32 of 1910 of the Colony of the Straits Settlements relating to Merchant Shipping:
47. Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907 — Order in Council, dated the 4th of May 1911, transferring certain property to the Forfar County Association:
48. Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865 — Five Orders in Council under the Act:
Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
49. **Thrift and Credit Societies Bill** [H.L.], } A Bill for the regulation of Thrift and Credit Societies — Was *presented* by the Earl of Shaftesbury; read 1^a, and to be *printed.* (N^o 86.)
50. **Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill** [H.L.], } To be read 2^a on *Thursday* the 25th *instant.*
51. **Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill** [H.L.], } Second Reading (which stands appointed for Thursday next) *put off* to *Thursday* the 25th *instant.*
52. **Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) Bill** [H.L.], } Read 2^a (according to order).

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| 53. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill, | } | Amendments <i>reported</i> (according to order), and Bills to be read 3 ^a <i>To-morrow</i> . |
| 54. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.) Bill, | | |
| 55. House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.], | } | Debate on the motion for the Second Reading <i>resumed</i> (according to order), and, after further long debate, again adjourned till <i>To-morrow</i> . |
| 56. Parliament Bill, | | |
| 57. Maritime Conventions Bill [H.L.], | } | Read 1 ^a ; to be <i>printed</i> ; and to be read 2 ^a on <i>Monday</i> next. (N° 84.) |
| 57. Maritime Conventions Bill [H.L.], | | |
| | } | A Bill to amend the law relating to Merchant Shipping with a view to enabling certain conventions to be carried into effect — Was <i>presented</i> by the Lord Granard (<i>E. Granard</i>); read 1 ^a , and to be <i>printed</i> . (N° 87.) |
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House adjourned at twenty-five minutes before Eight o'clock, till To-morrow, a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

16th *May.*

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Clyde Navigation - -	Glasgow and Paisley Joint Line Committee.	Sherwood and Co.

IN FAVOUR.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Dundee Harbour (Constitu- tion) [H.L.]	D. J. Macdonald and others, ratepayers and electors of the City and Royal Burgh of Dundee.	John Kennedy.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*for Wednesday the 17th of May.***At a quarter past Four o'clock.**

Paignton Urban District Council Bill, Clyde Navigation Bill, London County Council (Gene- ral Powers) Bill,	}	Second Reading.
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At half-past Four o'clock.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE], - (Amendments), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE], - (Amendments),	}	Third Reading.
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The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Govern-
ment whether their attention has been called to the removal of
Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City
of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending
his removal.

Moveable Dwellings Bill. [H.L.] [THE LORD CLIFFORD OF CHUDLEIGH],	}	Third Reading.
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House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.] [THE MARQUESS OF LANSDOWNE],	}	Adjourned debate on the motion for the Second Reading.
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 BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Thursday the 18th of May.

The Earl of Selborne—To call attention to the probable effects of the proposed Canadian-American Reciprocity Agreement on the Commerce and Imperial Relations of the British Empire, and to move for any correspondence or communications with the United States as to the extension to the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire of the tariff concessions granted to Canada, or raising the question of the bearing of this agreement on most-favoured-nation treaties.

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Wednesday the 24th of May.

The Lord Wynford—To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

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Thursday the 25th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) }
 Amendment Bill [H.L.] [*The* } Third Reading.
Earl of Shaftesbury],

Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill [H.L.] }
 [*The Lord Avebury*], } Second Reading.
 Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill }
 [H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*],

(*No day named.*)

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The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — *continued.*

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

BILLS IN PROGRESS.

<p>National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order, Land Drainage Provisional Order, Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.], Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.), Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer), Sligo Corporation,</p>	}	<p>Referred to the Examiners.</p>
<p>East Kent Electric Power — (Petition for Bill),</p>	}	<p>To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday</i> the 18th of <i>May</i>.</p>
<p>Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) [H.L.], Chasetown Gas,</p>	}	<p>To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Monday</i> the 22nd of <i>May</i>.</p>
<p>Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Maritime Conventions [H.L.], Thrift and Credit Societies [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Westbury Estate [H.L.], Dover Graving Dock,</p>	}	<p>Waiting for Second Reading.</p>

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Wirral Water, West Cheshire Water, Metropolitan Police Order,	Provisional	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],		} Referred to a Select Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.],		- Referred to a Joint Committee.
Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],		} Waiting for Committee.
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.], Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],		} Waiting for Commitment.
Marriages Provisional Order, Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District), Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Luton Corporation, Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.], Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.],		} Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], London Electric Railway, Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], Lunacy [H.L.], Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Bristol Corporation, Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],		
Swansea Gas [H.L.], Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way, Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.], Tamworth Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, Hebburn Urban District Council, Upper Medway Conservancy, Metropolitan District Railway, Port of London Authority,	}	- - (Amend- ments),
Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Christ Church (Glasgow) Order Confirmation [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.],		
		Waiting for Third Reading.
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		Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

<p>Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.],</p>	}	Sent to the Commons.
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<p>Luton Water [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.],</p>	}	Waiting for consideration of Com- mons Amendments.
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<p>Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, London United Tramways, Furness Railway, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Chichester Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway,</p>	}	Waiting for Royal Assent.
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 COMMITTEES.

Wednesday the 17th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	(New	} Joint Committee; Twelve o'clock.
Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.], Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.], Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.], Manchester Corporation [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Great Northern Railway,	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage, *Southampton Harbour, *Northampton Corporation, *Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, *Gas Light and Coke Company, *Central London Railway, *Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.

* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

Friday the 19th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 16th May.

- Sess. Numb.
[Cd. 5634.] Miscellaneous, No. 6 (1911) — Report by His Majesty's Minister at Berne respecting the Institution known as the Initiative in Switzerland (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 3 (1911) [Cd. 5522.]).
- [Cd. 5635.] Bagdad Railway, No. 1 (1911) — Convention of 5th March 1903. Statutes of Imperial Bagdad Railway Company; Specification; Loan Contract, First Series, 1903; Loan Contract, Second and Third Series, 1908. Additional Convention of 2nd June 1908.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

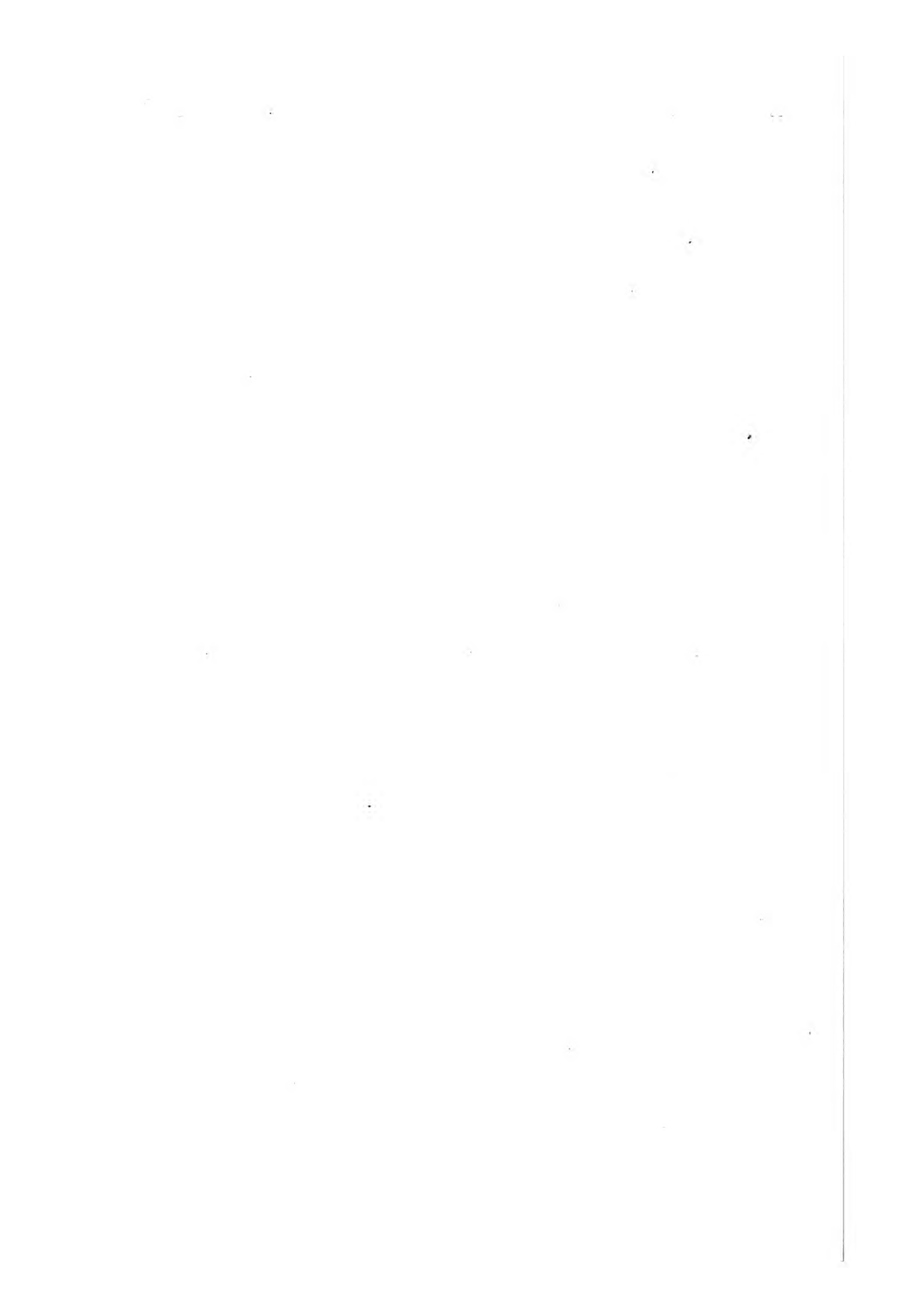
*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

- Sess. Numb.
Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —
- [Cd. 5465-32.] France: Trade of Réunion for 1910. No. 4639.
- [Cd. 5465-35.] Denmark: Trade and Commerce of Denmark for 1910. No. 4642.
- [Cd. 5640.] International Penitentiary Congress — Report on the Proceedings of the Eighth International Penitentiary Congress, held at Washington, October 1910, by the Honourable W. G. Scott, Master of Polwarth, Chairman of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland.
- [Cd. 5643.] Aliens Act, 1905 — A Return of the Alien Passenger Traffic between the United Kingdom and Ports in Europe or within the Mediterranean Sea during the Three Months ending 31st March 1911; together with the Number of Expulsion Orders made during that period requiring Aliens to leave the United Kingdom.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPER,

delivered 15th May.

- Sess. Numb.
[153.] Privileges (Committee) — Report.



House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Mercurii, 17° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. The Lord Southampton — Took the Oath.
2. Provisional Order Confirmation Bill — For petition respecting, *see page 737.*
3. Manchester Corporation Bill { The Order made on the 6th of
[H.L.], { April last appointing certain
Lords the Select Committee to
consider the Bill, *discharged.*
4. Penllwyn Railway Bill [H.L.], - *Reported*, with amendments.
5. Middlesbrough, Stockton-on- {
Tees, and Thornaby Tram- { *Reported* from the Select Com-
ways Bill [H.L.], { mittee, with amendments.
6. Bristol Corporation Bill, { *Reported* from the Select Com-
mittee, with amendments.
7. Marriages Provisional Order {
Bill, { Committee to meet on *Tuesday*
next.
8. Dover Corporation Bill, {
9. Chesterfield Gas and Water {
Board Bill, { The Chairman of Committees in-
formed the House that the
opposition to the Bill was *with-*
drawn: The Orders made on
the 4th instant and Thursday last
discharged, and Bill *committed*.
10. Gas Light and Coke Company {
Bill, { The Chairman of Committees in-
formed the House that the
opposition to the Bill was *with-*
drawn: The Orders made on the
4th instant and Thursday last
discharged, and Bill *committed*.
11. Paignton Urban District {
Council Bill, { Read 2^a, and *committed*: The Com-
mittees to be proposed by the
Committee of Selection.
12. Clyde Navigation Bill, {
13. London County Council (Gene- {
ral Powers) Bill, { Read 2^a, and *committed*.
14. Luton Water Bill [H.L.], {
15. London Cemetery Company {
Bill [H.L.], { Commons amendments *considered*,
and *agreed to*.

16. **Christ Church Glasgow Order Confirmation Bill** [H.L.], } Returned from the Commons, *agreed to.*
17. **Swinton Urban District Council Bill** [H.L.], } Returned from the Commons, *agreed to*, with amendments: The said amendments *considered*, and *agreed to.*
18. **Manchester Corporation Bill** [H.L.], } Report from the Committee of Selection, That the following Lords be proposed to the House to form the Select Committee for the consideration of the said Bills; (*viz.*),
19. **Paignton Urban District Council Bill,**
- E. Derby (chairman),
E. Amherst,
V. Iveagh,
L. Kilmaine,
L. Glantawe;
- agreed to*; and the said Lords appointed accordingly: The Committee to meet on *Monday* next, at Twelve o'clock; and all Petitions *referred* to the Committee, with leave to the Petitioners praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bills to be heard as desired, as also Counsel for the Bills.
20. Trade Reports (Annual Series) — No. 4657. United States (Porto Rico, 1910): *Presented* (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
21. Thames Conservancy — General report of the proceedings of the Conservators of the River Thames during the year ended 31st December 1910, with a statement of the accounts of the Conservators for that year: *Delivered* (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
22. **Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill,**
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26. **House of Lords Reconstitution Bill** [H.L.], } Second Reading (which stands appointed for *Monday* next) *put off* to *Tuesday* next.
27. **Business of the House** — Standing Order No. **XXI.** to be considered *To-morrow* in order to its being suspended for the sitting of the House on *Monday* next.

House adjourned at half-past Eleven o'clock, till To-morrow,
a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

17th May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST ALTERATION IN PROVISIONAL ORDER
CONFIRMATION BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.)	National Union of Teachers and others.	Dyson and Co.

NOTICES

for Thursday the 18th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

<p>Wirral Water Bill,</p> <p>West Cheshire Water Bill,</p>	}	Second Reading.
<p>Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill,</p> <p>Star Life Assurance Society Bill [H.L.],</p>	}	Third Reading.

At half-past Four o'clock.

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To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued*.

(*No day named*) — *continued*.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.], Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order, Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.], Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer), Sligo Corporation,	}	Referred to the Examiners.
East Kent Electric Power — (Peti- tion for Bill),	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 18th of May.</i>
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Land Drainage Provisional Order, Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.), Chasetown Gas,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Monday the 22nd of May.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Maritime Conventions [H.L.], Thrift and Credit Societies [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Westbury Estate [H.L.], Dover Graving Dock,	}	Waiting for Second Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order,	} Waiting for Second Reading.
Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],	} Referred to a Select Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.],	- Referred to a Joint Committee.
Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Poultry [H.L.], County Courts [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.], Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Commitment.
Paddington Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Superannuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District), Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Luton Corporation, Rhondda Urban District Council [H.L.], Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.], Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Gas Light and Coke Company, London County Council (General Powers),	} Committed.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Clyde Navigation, Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
London Electric Railway, Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], Lunacy [H.L.], Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Swansea Gas [H.L.], Tamworth Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, Hebburn Urban District Council, Upper Medway Conservancy, Metropolitan District Railway, Port of London Authority, Bristol Corporation,	} - - } (Amend- ments),	Waiting for Third Reading.
Moveable Dwellings [H.L.], Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.),	}	Returned to the Commons amended.
Christ Church Glasgow Order Confirmation [H.L.], Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, London United Tramways, Furness Railway, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Chichester Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway, Luton Water [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Royal Assent.

COMMITTEES.

Thursday the 18th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],		
Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board [H.L.],		

Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],		

Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Great Northern Railway,		

Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage,	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Southampton Harbour,		
Northampton Corporation,		
Central London Railway,		
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),		

Friday the 19th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.

Monday the 22nd of May.

Manchester Corporation [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Twelve o'clock.
Paignton Urban District Council,		

COMMITTEES — *continued.*

Tuesday the 23rd of May.

Marriages Provisional Order.
Dover Corporation.

Wednesday the 24th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill,	} Joint Committee;	
Metropolitan Water Board (New		Half-past
Works) Bill [H.L.],		Eleven o'clock.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 17th May.

Sess. Numb.

(84.) Bill — Parliament.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —

[Cd. 5465-34.] Portugal: Trade and Commerce of the Azores for 1910.
No. 4641.

[Cd. 5465-39.] Brazil: Trade of the Consular District of Bahia for 1910.
No. 4646.

[Cd. 5666.] Imperial Education Conference — Report, 1911.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 16th May.

Sess. Numb.

[200.] Bill — Representation of the People (No. 3).

[204.] — Vaccination Acts (Repeal).

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Jovis, 18° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. De Beers Consolidated Mines, Limited *v.* British South Africa Company -- To be heard on *Monday* the *29th instant*.
2. Symington *v.* Caledonian Railway Company — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 31st day of this instant May (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
3. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate from the Examiners that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in respect of the petition for the following Bill :
 East Kent Electric Power.
 The same was ordered to lie on the Table.
4. Clyde Navigation Bill, } The Chairman of Committees informed the House that the opposition to the Bill was *withdrawn*: The Order made yesterday *discharged*, and Bill *committed* for *Tuesday* next.
5. Eastern Valley of Monmouthshire Sewerage Board Bill [H.L.], } Report from the Select Committee, That the promoters do not intend to proceed further with the Bill: Ordered that the Bill be not further proceeded with.
6. East Kent Electric Power -- (Petition for Bill), } Examiners' Certificate of non-compliance with the Standing Orders *referred* to the Standing Orders Committee on *Tuesday* next.
7. London Electric Railway Bill, }
8. Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Bill [H.L.], } The King's consent signified, and Bills *reported*, with amendments.
9. Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District) Bill, }
10. Rhôs-on-Sea Pier Bill, } Committee to meet on *Tuesday* next,
11. Rhondda Urban District Council Bill [H.L.], }

12. Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill [H.L.],
13. Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill,
14. Gas Light and Coke Company Bill,
15. Wirral Water Bill,
16. West Cheshire Water Bill,
17. Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill,
18. Star Life Assurance Society Bill [H.L.],
19. Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation Bill [H.L.],
20. Hornsea Urban District Council Bill,
21. Gloucester Corporation Bill,
22. Great Northern Railway Bill,
23. Manchester Corporation Bill [H.L.],
24. Paignton Urban District Council Bill,
25. Public Records (Court of Chancery) — Schedule containing a list and particulars of classes of documents which were formerly in the custody of the Masters in Ordinary of the High Court of Chancery, and which are now in the Public Record Office, but are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation therein :
26. Factory and Workshop (Scheme for the Regulation of Hours of Employment in Charitable Institutions) — Schemes for the regulation of hours of employment of persons who light the laundry fires in respect of certain Salvation Army Institutions, approved by the Secretary of State, in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by section 5 (2) (a) of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1907 :
27. Polling Districts — Order made by the Council of the West Riding of Yorkshire constituting certain polling districts in the Pudsey, Barnsley, and Hallamshire Parliamentary Divisions :
- Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.

Committee to meet on *Tuesday* next.

Read 2^a, and *committed* for *Tuesday* next.

Read 3^a, and *passed*.

Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.

Committed for *Tuesday* next.

Brought from the Commons; read 1^a, and *referred* to the Examiners.

Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Earl of Craven be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bill in the place of the Marquess of Bristol; read, and *agreed to*.

Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Marquess of Bristol be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bills in the place of the Earl of Derby and that the Marquess of Bristol be Chairman of the Committee; read, and *agreed to*.

28. Business of the House — Standing Order No. **XXI.** *considered* (according to order) and *suspended* for the sitting of the House on *Monday* next: Then it was *moved*, That the adjourned debate on the motion for the Second Reading of the House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.] have precedence of the other Notices and Orders of the Day (The Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)) ; *agreed to* ; and ordered accordingly.
29. Canadian-American Reciprocity Agreement — *Moved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty for any correspondence or communications with the United States as to the extension to the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire of the tariff concessions granted to Canada, or raising the question of the bearing of this agreement on most-favoured-nation treaties (The Earl of Selborne) ; objected to ; and, after debate, motion (by leave of the House) *withdrawn*.

House adjourned at Eight o'clock, to Monday next,
half-past Three o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

C A U S E.

Monday the 29th of May.

De Beers Consolidated Mines, Limited *v.* British South } Hearing.
Africa Company,

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Monday the 22nd of May.

At half-past Three o'clock.

- Westbury Estate Bill [H.L.], - Second Reading.
- Hebburn Urban District Council Bill, - (Amendments), }
 Upper Medway Conservancy Bill, - (Amendments), } Third Reading.
- House of Lords Reconstitution Bill [H.L.] [THE MARQUESS OF LANSDOWNE], }
 } Adjourned debate on the motion for the Second Reading.
- Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD BELPER], }
 } Committee.
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BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Thursday the 25th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) }
 Amendment Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Shaftesbury*], } Third Reading.

Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill [H.L.] }
 [*The Lord Avebury*], }
 Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*], } Second Reading.

Poultry Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl Carrington*], } Committee.

Monday the 29th of May.

The Lord Heneage — To ask His Majesty's Government what steps have been taken by the Admiralty to enrol fishermen in the new Naval Reserve at the Humber Ports, and whether it is true that their efforts have failed to obtain a sufficient number of men; and, if so, what in the opinion of the Admiralty, is the cause of such failure.

The Lord Wynford — To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

Wednesday the 31st of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 31st of May — continued.

going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

The Duke of Northumberland — To call attention to the recent correspondence between the Trustees of the British Museum and the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works with regard to the proposal of the Government to curtail the land allotted to the National History Museum at South Kensington.

(No day named.)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
 [*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

The Duke of Bedford —

1. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the 12,369 drafts mentioned by the Secretary of State for War on the 4th May 1911 as the number of men returning home from abroad during the last trooping season on completion of their term of color service are included in the 120,791 men who compose the estimated strength of the Regular Reserve on the 1st October 1911, according to the Return of the 31st March 1909.
2. To call attention —
 - 1st. To the statement of the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, that "he had reduced the number of the Regular Army by 20,000 men, no more and no less."
 - 2nd. To the Return of the 27th April 1911, in which the total reduction in the numbers of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men of the Regular Army serving with the colors in 1911 as compared with the numbers of Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors in 1905 is shown to be 32,706.
 - 3rd. To the fact that by the Return of 27th April 1911, the Regular establishment of the Special Reserve was included in the total number of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors, whereas the Permanent Staff of the Militia in 1905 numbering 4,242 Non-Commissioned Officers and men belonging to the Regular Army was excluded.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

3. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the total reduction in the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors since 1905 is 36,948 as stated in the Return of the 27th April last, or is 20,000, no more and no less, as stated by the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, the difference being 16,948 Non-Commissioned Officers and men.
 4. To call attention to the deficiency of Regular Infantry Officers to meet the requirements of the Expeditionary Force on mobilization; and to move for papers.
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 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Milford Docks,	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.], Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gloucester Corporation, Hornsea Urban District Council,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Tuesday the 23rd of May.</i>
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.], South Lancashire Tramways,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 25th of May.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Maritime Conventions [H.L.], Thrift and Credit Societies [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.), National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.], Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order, Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Land Drainage Provisional Order, Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.), Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer),	}	Waiting for Second Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Sligo Corporation,
Chasetown Gas,
Dover Graving Dock,
Metropolitan Police Provisional
Order, } Waiting for Second Reading.

Small Ownership and National Land
Bank [H.L.],
Purchase of Land (England and
Wales) [H.L.],
Rights of Way [H.L.], } Referred to a Select Committee.

Professional Accountants [H.L.], - Referred to a Joint Committee.

House of Lords Reconstitution
[H.L.],
Small Holdings and Allotments
[H.L.],
County Courts [H.L.],
Education (School Attendance)
[H.L.],
Education (School Attendance)
(No. 2.) [H.L.],
Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition)
[H.L.], } Waiting for Committee.

Education Board Provisional Orders
Confirmation (Durham, &c.)
[H.L.], } Waiting for Commitment.

Paddington Borough Council (Super-
annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],
Poplar Borough Council (Super-
annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],
Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,
Marple Urban District Council Gas,
Liverpool Overhead Railway,
Ipswich Corporation,
Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire
Tramways,
Luton Corporation,
London County Council (General
Powers),
Westbury Estate [H.L.], } Committed.

Macclesfield and District Railless
Traction and Electricity Supply
[H.L.], } Waiting for Select Committees to
be named.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Lunacy [H.L.], Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Great Northern Railway,	} Waiting for Report.
Metropolitan District Railway, Port of London Authority, Bristol Corporation,	{ (Amend- ments), } Waiting for Third Reading.
Moveable Dwellings [H.L.], Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.
Hebburn Urban District Council, Upper Medway Conservancy, Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.),	} Returned to the Commons amended.
Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],	} Waiting for consideration of Com- mons Amendments.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Christ Church Glasgow Order Confirmation [H.L.], Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, London United Tramways, Furness Railway, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Chichester Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway, Luton Water [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way,	} Waiting for Royal Assent.

COMMITTEES.

Tuesday the 23rd of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.], Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage, Southampton Harbour, Northampton Corporation, Central London Railway, Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Manchester Corporation [H.L.], Paignton Urban District Council,	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dover Corporation, Clyde Navigation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District), Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Rhondda Urban District Council, [H.L.], Chapel - en - le - Frith, Chinley and District Gas [H.L.], Gas Light and Coke Company, Wirral Water, West Cheshire Water, Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirma- tion [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order, Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board,	} Three o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

East Kent Electric Power — (Peti- tion for Bill),	} Three o'clock.
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COMMITTEES — *continued*.

Wednesday the 24th of May.

Thames Conservancy Bill,
Metropolitan Water Board (New
Works) Bill [H.L.], } Joint Committee;
Half-past
Eleven o'clock.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts,
1888 and 1894, and Local Government
(Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } Half-past
Eleven o'clock.

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(87.) Bill — Maritime Conventions.

20th May.

- [Cd. 5636.] Treaty Series, No. 7. (1911) — Treaty between the United Kingdom and Zanzibar, abrogating the Treaty of 30th April 1886; signed at Zanzibar, 4th November 1908. (Ratifications exchanged at Zanzibar, 3rd April 1911).
- [Cd. 5637.] Treaty Series, No. 8. (1911) — Treaty between the United Kingdom and Germany respecting Extradition between British and German Protectorates; signed at Berlin, 30th January 1911. (Ratifications exchanged at Berlin, 1st April 1911).
- [Cd. 5638.] Treaty Series, No. 9. (1911) — Convention concerning the Exchange of Post Office Money Orders between New Zealand and France; signed at Paris, 1st December 1909. (Ratifications exchanged at Paris, 8th April 1911).
- [Cd. 5655.] Treaty Series, No. 10. (1911) — Convention between the United Kingdom and Denmark renewing for a further Period of Five Years the Arbitration Convention of 25th October 1905 (*see* Treaty Series, No. 5. 1906); signed at London, 3rd March 1911. (Ratifications exchanged at London, 3rd May 1911).
- [Cd. 5656.] Persia, No. 1. (1911) — Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of Persia (in continuation of Persia, No. 1. (1910) [Cd. 5120.]).

22nd May.

- (79.) Bill — Trustee (Bodies Corporate).
- (86.) — Thrift and Credit Societies.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

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House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

- Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —
- [Cd. 5465–38.] Norway: Trade and Commerce of Norway for 1910. No. 4645.
- [Cd. 5465–40.] Greece: Trade of the Cyclades for 1910. No. 4647.
- [Cd. 5465–41.] Venezuela: Trade and Commerce of Ciudad Bolivar for 1910. No. 4648.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS—*continued.*

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- Sess. Numb.
[Cd. 5566.] Humidity and Ventilation in Cotton Weaving Sheds — Second Report of the Departmental Committee; Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.
- [Cd. 5628.] Railway Accidents — Returns of Accidents and Casualties as Reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the Year ending 31st December 1910.
- [Cd. 5644.] Scotch Education Department — Thirty-eighth Annual Report, by the Accountant for Scotland.
- [Cd. 5652.] Astronomer Royal for Scotland — Twenty-first Annual Report, 1910–1911.
- [Cd. 5662.] Educational Endowments — Report of a Departmental Committee. Vol. I. Report.
- [Cd. 5673.] Science Museum (South Kensington) — Copy of further Correspondence and Memoranda on the subject of the Provision of a Site for a new Science Museum at South Kensington (in continuation of [Cd. 5650.]).
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HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 19th May.

- Sess. Numb.
[201.] Bill — Procuration.
[202.] — Disorderly Houses.
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Martis, 23° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
2. Private and Provisional Order Confirmation Bill — For petition respecting, *see* page 787.
3. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bills have been complied with :

Gloucester Corporation.

Hornsea Urban District Council.

Also the Certificates that the Standing Order applicable to the following Bills have been complied with :

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.]

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.]

Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.]

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

4. Standing Orders Committee — Report from, That the Standing Orders not complied with in respect of the Petition for a Bill by the South East Kent Electric Power Company, Limited, ought to be dispensed with, and leave given to introduce the Bill :
Read, and agreed to.

5. **Slough Urban District Water Bill** [H.L.], } Commons amendments *considered,*
 } and *agreed to.*

6. **Tramways Orders Confirmation Bill** [H.L.],
 7. **Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) Bill** [H.L.],
 8. **Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill** [H.L.],
 9. **Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) Bill** [H.L.],
 10. **Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) Bill** [H.L.],
- } To be read 2^a *To-morrow.*

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| 11. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) Bill [H.L.], | } | <i>Committed.</i> |
| 12. Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill, | } | To be read 2 ^a <i>To-morrow</i> (The Earl Carrington). |
| 13. Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, | | |
| 14. East Kent Electric Power Bill [H.L.], | } | <i>Presented</i> (pursuant to leave given this day), read 1 ^a ; and <i>referred</i> to the Examiners. |
| 15. Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.], | } | <i>Reported</i> from the Select Committee, with amendments. |
| 16. Dover Corporation Bill, | - | <i>Reported</i> , without amendment. |
| 17. Clyde Navigation Bill, | } | The King's consent signified, and Bill <i>reported</i> , with amendments. |
| 18. Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District) Bill, | } | <i>Reported</i> , with amendments. |
| 19. Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill, | | |
| 20. Rhondda Urban District Council Bill [H.L.], | | |
| 21. Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and District Gas Bill [H.L.], | | |
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| Chapel, Whaley and District Gas Bill [H.L.], | | |
| 22. Gas Light and Coke Company Bill, | | |
| 23. Wirral Water Bill, | | |
| 24. West Cheshire Water Bill, | | |
| 25. Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board Bill, | } | <i>Reported</i> , without amendment. |
| 26. Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation Bill [H.L.], | } | <i>Reported</i> with amendments, and <i>re-committed</i> to a Committee of the Whole House <i>To-morrow</i> . |
| 27. Marriages Provisional Order Bill, | } | <i>Reported</i> , without amendment, and <i>re-committed</i> to a Committee of the Whole House <i>To-morrow</i> . |
| 28. Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees, and Thornaby Tramways Bill [H.L.], | } | Read 3 ^a , and <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |

29. Great Yarmouth Port and Haven Bill [H.L.],
30. Penllwyn Railway Bill [H.L.],
31. Swansea Gas Bill [H.L.],
32. Tamworth Gas Bill,
33. Blackburn Corporation Water Bill,
34. London Electric Railway Bill,
35. Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.],
36. Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill,
37. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.) Bill,
38. Southampton Harbour Bill,
39. Northampton Corporation Bill,
40. Central London Railway Bill,
41. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill,
42. Treaty Series, No. 11. (1911) — International agreement for the suppression of obscene publications; signed at Paris, 4th May 1910. (British ratification deposited at Paris, 15th March 1911):
43. Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Annual report of proceedings under the Tithe, Copyhold, Inclosure, Commons, Land Drainage, and other Acts, for the year 1910:
44. International Shooting and Field Sports Exhibition — Report by the Board of Trade on the First International Shooting and Field Sports Exhibition, Vienna, 1910:
45. Ancient Monuments and Historic Buildings — Report of the Inspector of Ancient Monuments for the year ended 31st March 1911:
46. Railway Accidents — Summary of accidents and casualties reported to the Board of Trade by the several railway companies in the United Kingdom during the three months ended 31st December 1910; together with reports to the Board of Trade by the Inspecting Officers, Assistant Inspecting Officers, and Sub-Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department, upon certain accidents which were inquired into:
- Presented* (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
47. Parliament Bill,

Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.

Read 3^a, with the amendments, and *passed*, and returned to the Commons.

Standing Order No. 92 *considered* (according to order), and *dispensed with* in respect of a Petition of the New Electricity Company of Macclesfield, Limited: Leave given to present the said Petition.

Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; to be *printed*, and *referred* to the Examiners. (N^o 89.)

Returned from the Commons, with the amendments, *agreed to*.

Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Earl of Wicklow be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bills in the place of the Lord Clanwilliam (*E. Clanwilliam*); read, and *agreed to*.

Order of the Day for the Second Reading read: *Moved*, That the Bill be now read 2^a; and, a debate arising thereupon, the further debate adjourned till *To-morrow*.

48. **Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) Bill** [H.L.] } Read 3^a (according to order):
Amendments (privilege) made:
Bill *passed*, and sent to the
Commons.

House adjourned at twenty minutes before Eight o'clock, till To-morrow,
a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

23rd May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.]	The New Electricity Com- pany of Macclesfield, Limited. [Presented pursuant to leave given this day.]	Martin and Co.

CAUSES.

Monday the 29th of May.

Koffyfontein Mines, Limited, and others *v.* Mosely,
Walters *v.* Staveley Coal and Iron Company, Limited,
Keates *v.* Lewis Merthyr Consolidated Collieries, Limited, } Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Wednesday the 24th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer) Bill,	}	Second Reading.
Chasetown Gas Bill,		
Port of London Authority Bill, (Amendments to be pro- posed) - (Amendments),	}	Third Reading.

At half-past Four o'clock.

Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Pay- ment Confirmation) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	}	Committee.
Marriages Provisional Order Bill [THE LORD ASHBY ST. LEDGERS],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DAL- ZELL],	}	Second Reading.
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],		

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued.*

Tramways Orders Confirmation Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],	}	Second Reading.
Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill [THE EARL CARRINGTON],		
Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order Bill [THE EARL CARRINGTON],		
Parliament Bill [THE LORD PRESIDENT (<i>V. Morley of Blackburn</i>)],	}	Adjourned debate on the motion for the Second Reading.

 BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Thursday the 25th of May.

Employment of Children Act (1903) }
 Amendment Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl of Shaftesbury*], } Third Reading.

Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill [H.L.] }
 [*The Lord Avebury*], }
 Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill [H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*], } Second Reading.

Poultry Bill [H.L.] [*The Earl Carrington*], } Committee.

Monday the 29th of May.

The Lord Heneage — To call attention to the new Naval Reserve Scheme (Trawling Section), and to ask His Majesty's Government what steps have been taken by the Admiralty to enrol fishermen in the new Naval Reserve at the Humber Ports, and whether it is true that their efforts have failed to obtain a sufficient number of men either at Grimsby or Hull.

The Lord Wynford — To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

Wednesday the 31st of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 31st of May — continued.

going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

The Duke of Northumberland — To call attention to the recent correspondence between the Trustees of the British Museum and the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works with regard to the proposal of the Government to curtail the land allotted to the National History Museum at South Kensington.

(*No day named.*)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishoprics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishoprics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.**(No day named)* — continued.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
 [*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

The Duke of Bedford —

1. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the 12,369 drafts mentioned by the Secretary of State for War on the 4th May 1911 as the number of men returning home from abroad during the last trooping season on completion of their term of color service are included in the 120,791 men who compose the estimated strength of the Regular Reserve on the 1st October 1911, according to the Return of the 31st March 1909.
2. To call attention —
 - 1st. To the statement of the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, that "he had reduced the number of the Regular Army by 20,000 men, no more and no less."
 - 2nd. To the Return of the 27th April 1911, in which the total reduction in the numbers of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men of the Regular Army serving with the colors in 1911 as compared with the numbers of Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors in 1905 is shown to be 32,706.
 - 3rd. To the fact that by the Return of 27th April 1911, the Regular establishment of the Special Reserve was included in the total number of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors, whereas the Permanent Staff of the Militia in 1905 numbering 4,242 Non-Commissioned Officers and men belonging to the Regular Army was excluded.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

3. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the total reduction in the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors since 1905 is 36,948 as stated in the Return of the 27th April last, or is 20,000, no more and no less, as stated by the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, the difference being 16,948 Non-Commissioned Officers and men.
 4. To call attention to the deficiency of Regular Infantry Officers to meet the requirements of the Expeditionary Force on mobilization; and to move for papers.
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 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Milford Docks, East Kent Electric Power [H.L.],	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.], South Lancashire Tramways,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 25th of May.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Maritime Conventions [H.L.], Thrift and Credit Societies [H.L.], National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.], Metropolitan Police Provisional Order, Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.], Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.], Gloucester Corporation, Hornsea Urban District Council, Sligo Corporation, Dover Graving Dock,	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],	}	Referred to a Select Committee.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Professional Accountants [H.L.], — Referred to a Joint Committee.

House of Lords Reconstitution [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Committee.
Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.],		
County Courts [H.L.],		
Education (School Attendance) [H.L.],		
Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.],		
Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],		

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],	}	Committed.
Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],		
Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],		
Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge,		
Marple Urban District Council Gas,		
Liverpool Overhead Railway,		
Ipswich Corporation,		
Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways,		
Luton Corporation,		
London County Council (General Powers),		
Westbury Estate [H.L.],		

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
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Lunacy [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.
Thorney Drainage [H.L.],		
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Great Northern Railway,		
Rhôs-on-Sea Pier,		

Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board,		
Dover Corporation,		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

<p>Rhondda Urban District Council, [H.L.], Chapel, Whaley and District Gas [H.L.], Metropolitan District Railway, Bristol Corporation, Clyde Navigation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District), Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Gas Light and Coke Company, Wirral Water, West Cheshire Water,</p>	}	(Amend- ments),	} Waiting for Third Reading.
<p>Moveable Dwellings [H.L.], Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.],</p>	}	}	} Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Swansea Gas [H.L.], Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Hebburn Urban District Council, Upper Medway Conservancy, Tamworth Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, London Electric Railway,	}	Returned to the Commons amended.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Christ Church Glasgow Order Confirmation [H.L.], Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, London United Tramways, Furness Railway, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Chichester Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway, Luton Water [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way, Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Royal Assent.

 COMMITTEES.

Wednesday the 24th of May.

Rhydney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.], Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage, Southampton Harbour, Northampton Corporation, Central London Railway, Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Manchester Corporation [H.L.], Paiyton Urban District Council,	} Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
Thames Conservancy Bill, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Bill [H.L.],	} Joint Committee; Half-past Eleven o'clock.
Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	} Half-past Eleven o'clock.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 23rd May.

Sess. Numb.

- (24 *b.*) County Courts Bill — Amendments to be moved in Committee. (L. Gorell; L. Dunmore.) [*To be substituted for those already circulated.*]
- (78 *a.*) Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill — Amendment to be moved on Third Reading. (L. Stanley of Alderley.)

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
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Sess. Numb.

- [Cd. 5583.] British Guiana — [Report on the Nastic Treatment for Leprosy at the Mahaica Leper Asylum, British Guiana, 1908–1910, by Dr. K. S. Wise, Government Bacteriologist.]
- [Cd. 5645.] Crofters Commission — Report as to their Proceedings for the Year from 31st December 1909 to 31st December 1910 to the Secretary for Scotland.
- [Cd. 5653.] Canals and Waterways (Royal Commission on) — Vol. XII. Appendices to the Final Report on the Canals and Inland Navigations of Ireland from the Royal Commission appointed to Inquire into and to Report on the Canals and Inland Navigations of the United Kingdom.
- [Cd. 5663.] Correspondence on the subject of Financial Proposals in the Tynwald Court, Isle of Man.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 20th May.

Sess. Numb.

- [214.] Bill — London Poor.
- [216.] — Pensions (Governors of Dominions, &c.).
- [157.] Public Accounts Committee — Third Report.

22nd May.

- [215.] Bill — Merchandise Marks (No. 2).

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Mercurii, 24^o Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Cockerill *v.* Middlesbrough Co-operative Society, Limited (England) — Appeal *presented*, and read; and the Respondents ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Wednesday the 5th day of July next.
 2. Cockerill *v.* Middlesbrough Co-operative Society, Limited — Ordered that the Appellants be allowed to pay the sum of £700 into the Security Fund of the House as security for the costs of the Appeal.
 3. Keates *v.* Lewis Merthyr Consolidated Collieries, Limited — Order for hearing on *Monday* next, *discharged*.
 4. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
 5. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill,
 6. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill,
 7. Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [H.L.],
 8. Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) Bill [H.L.],
 9. Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.],
 10. Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer) Bill,
 11. Chasetown Gas Bill,
 12. Port of London Authority Bill,
 13. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) Bill [H.L.],
 14. Luton Corporation Bill,
 15. Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill,
- { To be read 2^a *To-morrow* (The Lord Allendale).
 { To be read 2^a *To-morrow*.
 { Read 2^a, and *committed*.
 { Read 3^a, with the amendments: Further amendments made: Bill *passed*, and returned to the Commons.
 { Committee to meet on *Tuesday* next.
 { To be read 2^a *To-morrow* (The Lord Herschell).

16. **Dundee Harbour (Constitution) Bill** [H.L.], } The Duke of Wellington, Chairman of the Select Committee, reported that the Earl of Lytton was not present this day, and that the Committee continued sitting in his absence, all parties having consented thereto; read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
17. Census of Ireland, 1911 — Preliminary Report, with Abstract of Enumerators Summaries :
18. Factory and Workshop — Annual Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Workshops for the year 1910. Report and Statistics :
19. Light Railways Act, 1896 — Orders made by the Light Railway Commissioners and modified or confirmed by the Board of Trade —
1. (Elsenham and Thaxted Light Railway Order, 1911) — Authorising the construction of a light railway in the County of Essex between Elsenham Station and Thaxted ;
 2. (Doncaster Corporation Light Railways (Extension) Order, 1911) — Authorising the construction of a light railway in the Rural District of Doncaster, in the West Riding of the County of York, in extension of the existing and authorised light railway undertaking of the mayor, aldermen, and burgesses of the Borough of Doncaster ;
 3. (Blackburn, Whalley, and Padiham Light Railways (Revival and Extension of Time) Order, 1911) — Confirmed by the Board of Trade, reviving the powers granted by the Blackburn, Whalley, and Padiham Light Railway Order, 1901, and extending the period limited by that Order for the compulsory purchase of lands and for completion of the railways and works thereby authorised, and for other purposes ;
 4. (North Lindsey Light Railways (Amendment) Order, 1911) — Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the North Lindsey Light Railway Orders, 1900 to 1906, the Great Central Railway Act, 1907, and the Great Central Railway (Various Powers) Act, 1909, and for other purposes :
20. Mines and Quarries (Explosion at Hulton Colliery) — Reports to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by R. A. S. Redmayne, His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Mines, and Samuel Pope, Barrister-at-Law, on the causes and circumstances attending the explosion which occurred at the Hulton Colliery on the 21st December 1910 :
- Presented* (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
21. Elementary School Teachers (Superannuation) Act, 1898 — Rule amending Rule 13 of the Elementary School Teachers Superannuation Rules, 1899: Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
22. **Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill** [H.L.], } Second Reading (which stands appointed for To-morrow) *put off* to *Tuesday* next.
23. **Lunacy Bill** [H.L.], } Report of Amendments to be received *To-morrow*.
24. **County Courts Bill** [H.L.], } House to be in Committee *To-morrow*.
25. **Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation Bill** [H.L.], } House in Committee (according to order): The amendments proposed by the Committee made: The Report of Amendments to be received *To-morrow*.

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| 26. Marriages Provisional Order Bill, | } | House in Committee (according to order): Bill <i>reported</i> without amendment, and to be read 3 ^a <i>To-morrow.</i> |
| 27. Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) Bill [H.L.], | | |
| 28. Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill [H.L.], | } | Read 2 ^a (according to order). |
| 29. Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) Bill [H.L.], | | |
| 30. Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) Bill [H.L.], | | |
| 31. Tramways Orders Confirmation Bill [H.L.], | | |
| 32. Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill, | } | Read 2 ^a (according to order), and <i>committed.</i> |
| 33. Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, | | |
| 34. Parliament Bill, | } | Debate on the motion for the Second Reading <i>resumed</i> (according to order), and, after further long debate, again adjourned till <i>To-morrow.</i> |

House adjourned at Eleven o'clock, till To-morrow,
a quarter past Four o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

C A U S E S.

Monday the 29th of May.

Koffyfontein Mines, Limited, and others *v.* Mosely,
Walters *v.* Staveley Coal and Iron Company, Limited,

} Hearing.

A P P E A L C O M M I T T E E,

*to meet on Tuesday the 30th of May,
at a quarter before Four o'clock.*

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Thursday the 25th of May.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Gloucester Corporation Bill,	}	Second Reading.
Hornsea Urban District Council Bill,		
Sligo Corporation Bill,		
Dover Corporation Bill,	}	Third Reading.
Metropolitan District Railway Bill, - (Amendments) (Amendments to be proposed),		

At half-past Four o'clock.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE],	}	Second Reading.
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill [THE LORD ALLENDALE],		
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],		
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment Confirmation) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	}	Report of Amendments

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued.*

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- Marriages Provisional Order**
Bill [THE LORD ASHBY } **Third Reading.**
 ST. LEDGERS],
- Metropolitan Police Provi-**
sional Order Bill [THE } **Second Reading.**
 LORD HERSCHELL],
- Employment of Children Act**
(1903) Amendment Bill } **Third Reading.**
 [H.L.] [THE EARL OF SHAFTES-
 BURY],
- Trustees (Bodies Corporate)**
Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD AVE- } **Second Reading.**
 BURY],
- Poultry Bill** [H.L.] [THE EARL } **Committee.**
 CARRINGTON],
- Lunacy Bill** [H.L.] [THE LORD } **Report of Amendments.**
 CHANCELLOR],
- ***County Courts Bill** [H.L.] [THE } **Committee.**
 LORD CHANCELLOR],
- * This Bill will be in Committee, *pro formá*, in order to introduce certain Amendments, and will be recommitted for a subsequent day.
- Parliament Bill** [THE LORD } **Adjourned debate on**
 PRESIDENT (*V. Morley of* } **the motion for the**
Blackburn), } **Second Reading.**
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BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Monday the 29th of May.

The Lord Heneage — To call attention to the new Naval Reserve Scheme (Trawling Section), and to ask His Majesty's Government what steps have been taken by the Admiralty to enrol fishermen in the new Naval Reserve at the Humber Ports, and whether it is true that their efforts have failed to obtain a sufficient number of men either at Grimsby or Hull.

The Lord Wynford — To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

Tuesday the 30th of May.

Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill }
[H.L.] [*The Lord Clinton*], } Second Reading.

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

Wednesday the 31st of May.

The Lord Muskerry — To call attention to the case of the steamer "Coomassie," which is, or was until quite recently, flying the British flag; to ask whether His Majesty's Government have received any report or reports from their representative at Hamburg relative to the manning of this vessel on leaving there; if so, to ask whether it is true that she left in charge of a master and acting mate, both of whom were uncertificated, of Greek nationality, and ignorant of the English language, four only of the crew being of British nationality; further, whether they have received any reports from their representative at Catania (Sicily) as to alleged scandalous proceedings which have been going on there on board this vessel; and to move, That in the opinion of this House, legislation is urgently demanded which will ensure that ships flying the British flag when leaving ports other than in the United Kingdom shall at least be commanded and officered by men holding British certificates qualifying them to do so.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

Wednesday the 31st of May — continued.

The Duke of Northumberland — To call attention to the recent correspondence between the Trustees of the British Museum and the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works with regard to the proposal of the Government to curtail the land allotted to the National History Museum at South Kensington.

(*No day named.*)

The Earl Nelson — To move to resolve, That, in the opinion of this House —

The elective element in the proposed amendments of the Upper Chamber be based on the constitutional principle of the attachment of Baronies to different offices :

That the existing Baronies should be continued to the two Archbishopsrics of Canterbury and York, and to the present Bishopsrics of London, Winchester, and Durham :

That Baronies be attached to the Bishopsrics of St. Davids', Birmingham, Manchester, and Liverpool :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Moderator of the Established Church of Scotland ; and

To the Elected Headship of the Universities of England, Scotland, and Ireland :

That a Barony be attached to the office of Lord Mayor of London and of our chief towns ;

To the Chairmanship of our County Councils ; and

To the Presidency of the Royal Academies, and of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, Surgeons, &c.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] } Adjourned Debate on the motion
[*The Lord Balfour*], } for the Second Reading.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved ; (2) to detention ashore and loss of

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued*.

(*No day named*) — *continued*.

employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

The Duke of Bedford —

1. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the 12,369 drafts mentioned by the Secretary of State for War on the 4th May 1911 as the number of men returning home from abroad during the last trooping season on completion of their term of color service are included in the 120,791 men who compose the estimated strength of the Regular Reserve on the 1st October 1911, according to the Return of the 31st March 1909.
2. To call attention —
 - 1st. To the statement of the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, that "he had reduced the number of the Regular Army by 20,000 men, no more and no less."
 - 2nd. To the Return of the 27th April 1911, in which the total reduction in the numbers of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men of the Regular Army serving with the colors in 1911 as compared with the numbers of Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors in 1905 is shown to be 32,706.
 - 3rd. To the fact that by the Return of 27th April 1911, the Regular establishment of the Special Reserve was included in the total number of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors, whereas the Permanent Staff of the Militia in 1905 numbering 4,242 Non-Commissioned Officers and men belonging to the Regular Army was excluded.
3. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the total reduction in the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors since 1905 is 36,948 as stated in the Return of the 27th April last, or is 20,000, no more and no less, as stated by the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, the difference being 16,948 Non-Commissioned Officers and men.
4. To call attention to the deficiency of Regular Infantry Officers to meet the requirements of the Expeditionary Force on mobilization; and to move for papers.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1.),	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2.),		
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],		
Milford Docks, East Kent Electric Power [H.L.],		
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 25th of May.</i>
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.],		
South Lancashire Tramways,		
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Maritime Conventions [H.L.],		
Thrift and Credit Societies [H.L.],		
National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.],		
Education Board Provisional Orders (London) [H.L.],		
Dover Graving Dock,		
Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.],	}	Referred to a Select Committee.
Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.],		
Rights of Way [H.L.],		
Professional Accountants [H.L.],	-	Referred to a Joint Committee.
House of Lords Reconstitution [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Committee.
Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.],		
Education (School Attendance) [H.L.],		
Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.],		
Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisition) [H.L.],		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

<p>Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) [H.L.], Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.],</p>	}	Waiting for Commitment.
<p>Land Drainage Provisional Order, Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order, Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Marple Urban District Council Gas, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, London County Council (General Powers), Westbury Estate [H.L.], Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer), Chasetown Gas,</p>	}	Committed.
<p>Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],</p>	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
<p>Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Great Northern Railway, Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) [H.L.],</p>	}	Waiting for Report.
<p>Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board, Rhondda Urban District Council, [H.L.], Chapel, Whaley and District Gas [H.L.],</p>	}	Waiting for Third Reading.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Bristol Corporation, Clyde Navigation, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District), Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Gas Light and Coke Company, Wirral Water, West Cheshire Water,	}	(Amend- ments),	}	Waiting for Third Reading.
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Moveable Dwellings [H.L.], Perjury [H.L.], Municipal Elections [H.L.], Parsonages [H.L.], Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.], Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Ely Rural District Water [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.], Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Swansea Gas [H.L.], Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
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BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
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Hebburn Urban District Council, Upper Medway Conservancy, Tamworth Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, London Electric Railway, Port of London Authority,	}	Returned to the Commons amended.
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Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Christ Church Glasgow Order Confirmation [H.L.], Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, London United Tramways, Furness Railway, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Chichester Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway, Luton Water [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way, Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Royal Assent.
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COMMITTEES.

Thursday the 25th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.],
 Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.], } Select Committee;
 Eleven o'clock.

Dundee Harbour (Constitution) [H.L.],
 Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.], } Select Committee;
 Eleven o'clock.

Dunfermline Burgh Extension and
 Drainage,
 Southampton Harbour,
 Northampton Corporation,
 Central London Railway,
 Local Government Provisional Order
 (No. 11.), } Select Committee;
 Eleven o'clock.

Manchester Corporation [H.L.],
 Paignton Urban District Council, } Select Committee;
 Eleven o'clock.

Friday the 26th of May.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts,
 1888 and 1894, and Local Government
 (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } Half-past
 Eleven o'clock.

Tuesday the 30th of May.

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.]
 Luton Corporation.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 24th May.

Sess. Numb.

(78 *b.*)

Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment Bill — Amendments to be moved on Third Reading. (E. Shaftesbury.)

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

[Cd. 5526-III.] Passengers to and from Places out of Europe — Return for the Month and Four Months ending 30th April 1911.

[Cd. 5674.] Trade Commissioners in the Dominions — Reports to the Board of Trade by His Majesty's Trade Commissioners in the Self-Governing Dominions for the Period ended 31st December 1910.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPER,

delivered 23rd May.

Sess. Numb.

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Bill — Factory and Workshops Act (1901) Amendment (No. 2).



House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Jovis, 25° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Price and Pierce, Limited *v.* John Laird and Son, and others (Scotland),
 2. Colley's Patents, Limited *v.* Metropolitan Water Board (England),
- } Appeals *presented*, and read; and the Respondents in each Appeal ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Thursday the 6th day of July next.
3. Private Bill — For petition respecting, *see* page 820.

4. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificate from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bill have been complied with :

South Lancashire Tramways.

Also the Certificates that the Standing Order applicable to the following Bills have been complied with :

Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.] Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.]

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

5. Southampton Harbour Bill,
 6. Northampton Corporation Bill,
 7. Central London Railway Bill,
 8. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill,
- } Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Lord Silchester (*E. Longford*) be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bills in the place of the Viscount Falmouth; read, and *agreed to*.
9. Dundee Harbour (Constitution) Bill [H.L.],
- } Report from the Select Committee that it is not expedient to proceed further with the Bill; read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
10. Rhôs-on-Sea Pier Bill,
- } The King's consent signified, and Bill *reported*, with amendments.
11. Marple Urban District Council Gas Bill,
 12. Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill,
 13. London County Council (General Powers) Bill,
 14. Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer) Bill,
- } Committee to meet on *Tuesday* next.

15. Gloucester Corporation Bill, } Read 2^a, and *committed*: The Committee to be proposed by the Committee of Selection.
16. Hornsea Urban District Council Bill, } Read 2^a, and *committed*.
17. Sligo Corporation Bill, } Read 2^a, and *committed* for *Tuesday* next.
18. Dover Corporation Bill, - Read 3^a, and *passed*.
19. Metropolitan District Railway Bill, } Read 3^a, with the amendments: Further amendments made: Bill *passed*, and returned to the Commons.
20. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill [H.L.], } To be read 2^a on *Tuesday* next.
21. National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill [H.L.], } To be read 2^a on *Tuesday* next. .
22. Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877 — The Thirty-third Annual Report of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, being the Seventy-second Annual Report on Prisons in Scotland :
23. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
 No. 4660. Italy (Consular District of Genoa, 1910);
 No. 4661. Japan (Nagasaki, 1910);
 No. 4662. West Africa (Liberia, 1910);
 No. 4663. Mexico (Consular District of Tampico, 1910);
 No. 4664. United States (Consular District of Savannah, 1910) :
24. Evictions (Ireland) — Return of the number of evictions in Ireland for the quarter ended the 31st March 1911 :
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
25. Polling Districts — Order made by the Council of the County of Stafford re-dividing the Parish of Handsworth into polling districts :
26. Shop Hours Act, 1904 — Order by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 11th May 1911, providing for the early closing of shops in the Burgh of Cromarty :
 Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.
27. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 — University Court Ordinance, No. 36. (Aberdeen, No. 5). Foundation of the Strathcona-Fordyce Chair of Agriculture: Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and to be *printed*. (N^o 90.)
28. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill, }
 29. Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill, } Read 2^a (according to order), and *committed*.
30. Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [H.L.], }
 31. Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) Bill [H.L.], }
 32. Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.], } Read 2^a (according to order).

33. Board of Education Scheme
(Alnwick Corporation Pay-
ment) Confirmation Bill
[H.L.], } Amendments *reported* (according to
order), and Bill to be read 3^a
on *Monday* next.
34. Marriages Provisional Order
Bill, } Read 3^a (according to order), and
passed.
35. Metropolitan Police Provisional
Order Bill, } Read 2^a (according to order), and
committed.
36. Employment of Children Act
(1903) Amendment Bill
[H.L.], } Read 3^a (according to order):
Amendments made: Bill *passed*,
and sent to the Commons.
37. Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill
[H.L.], } Read 2^a (according to order), and
committed to a Committee of the
Whole House on *Tuesday* next.
38. Poultry Bill [H.L.], } House in Committee (according to
order): Bill *reported* without
amendment, and to be read 3^a
on *Monday* next.
39. Lunacy Bill [H.L.], } Amendments *reported* (according
to order), and Bill to be read 3^a
on *Monday* next.
40. County Courts Bill [H.L.], } House in Committee (according to
order): Bill *reported* without
amendment: Amendments made:
Bill *re-committed* to a Committee
of the Whole House, and to be
printed as amended. (N^o 91.)
41. Parliament Bill, } Debate on the motion for the
Second Reading *resumed* (ac-
cording to order), and, after
further long debate, again ad-
journed to *Monday* next, and to
be taken first.
42. Thrift and Credit Societies
Bill [H.L.], } To be read 2^a on *Tuesday* the
27th of *June* next.

House adjourned at a quarter before Eleven o'clock, to Monday next,
a quarter before Eleven o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

25th May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Gloucester Corporation	- Worcestershire County Council.	Ellis and Ellis.

CAUSES.

Monday the 29th of May.

Koffyfontein Mines, Limited, and others *v.* Mosely,
Walters *v.* Staveley Coal and Iron Company, Limited,

} Hearing.

APPEAL COMMITTEE,

*to meet on Tuesday the 30th of May,
at a quarter before Four o'clock.*

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Monday the 29th of May.

At half-past Three o'clock.

South Lancashire Tramways Bill,	}	Second Reading.	
Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.],		}	Third Reading.
Chapel, Whaley and District Gas Bill [H.L.],			
Bristol Corporation Bill,			
Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District) Bill,	(Amend- ments),		
Gas Light and Coke Company Bill,			
Wirral Water Bill, West Cheshire Water Bill,			
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Pay- ment Confirmation) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	}	Third Reading.	
Parliament Bill [THE LORD PRESIDENT (<i>V. Morley of Blackburn</i>)],		}	Adjourned debate on the motion for the Second Reading.

The Lord Wynford -- To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued.*

Poultry Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL CARRINGTON],	}	Third Reading.
Lunacy Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD CHANCELLOR],		

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Tuesday the 30th of May.

Education Board Provisional Orders	}	Second Reading.
Confirmation (London) Bill		
[H.L.] [<i>The Earl Beauchamp</i>],		
National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill [H.L.] [<i>The Earl Beauchamp</i>],		

Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill	}	Second Reading.
[H.L.] [<i>The Lord Clinton</i>],		

Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill [H.L.]	}	Committee.
[<i>The Lord Avebury</i>],		

The Lord Willoughby de Broke — To ask His Majesty's Government whether their attention has been called to the removal of Mr. Caldicott from the Commission of the Peace for the City of Worcester, and to call attention to the circumstances attending his removal.

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Great Northern Railway, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) [H.L.],		
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Sewerage Board,					
Rhondda Urban District Council,	}	(Amend-	ments),	}	
[H.L.],					
Rhôs-on-Sea Pier,	}				
Clyde Navigation,					
Chesterfield Gas and Water Board,					

Moveable Dwellings [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Perjury [H.L.],		
Employment of Children Act (1903)		
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Parsonages [H.L.],		
Handsworth Urban District Council		
[H.L.],		
Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.],		
Ely Rural District Water [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast		
Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.],		
Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.],		
Hastings Corporation (Water and		
Finance) [H.L.],		
Sidmouth Gas and Electricity		
[H.L.],		
Oystermouth Urban District Council		
[H.L.],		
Luton Gas [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],		
Winchester Corporation (Electric		
Supply) [H.L.],		
Rochdale Market [H.L.],		
Barry Railway [H.L.],		
Lloyds [H.L.],		
Rhymney Railway [H.L.],		
Enfield Gas [H.L.],		
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
City of London (Various Powers)		
[H.L.],		
Alexandra (Newport and South		
Wales) Docks and Railway		
[H.L.],		
Great Western Railway [H.L.],		
Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast		
Railway [H.L.],		
North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],		
London and South-Western Railway		
[H.L.],		
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<p>Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],</p>	}	Sent to the Commons.
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COMMITTEES.

Friday the 26th of May.

Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], }
 Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water } Select Committee;
 [H.L.], } Eleven o'clock.

Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries }
 [H.L.], } Select Committee;
 } Twelve o'clock.

Southampton Harbour, }
 Northampton Corporation, }
 Central London Railway, } Select Committee;
 Local Government Provisional Order } Eleven o'clock.
 (No. 11.), }

Manchester Corporation [H.L.], }
 Paignton Urban District Council, } Select Committee;
 } Eleven o'clock.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, }
 1888 and 1894, and Local Government } Half-past
 (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } Eleven o'clock.

Tuesday the 30th of May.

Select Committee on the House of Lords Offices, }
 } A quarter before
 } Four o'clock.

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.]
 Luton Corporation.
 London County Council (General Powers).
 Marple Urban District Council Gas.
 Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer).
 Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways.
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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
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Sess. Numb.	Annual Series : Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —
[Cd. 5465-37.]	Austria-Hungary : Trade and Commerce of Hungary for 1909-1910. No. 4644.
[Cd. 5465-42.]	Greece : Trade and Commerce of the Morea and the Provinces of Ætolia and Acarnania for 1910. No. 4649.
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HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPER,

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[211.]	Bill — Slaughter of Animals.

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Lunæ, 29° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Koffyfontein Mines, Limited, and others *v.* Mosely — Fully heard: Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
2. Walters *v.* Staveley Coal and Iron Company, Limited — In part heard, and adjourned till *To-morrow*.
3. Keates *v.* Lewis Merthyr Consolidated Collieries, Limited,)
4. New Monckton Collieries, Limited *v.* Keeling,) To be heard *To-morrow*.
5. Owners of SS. "Raphael" *v.* Brandy,)
6. Papé *v.* O'Driscoll — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 1st day of August next or the third sitting day thereafter (the agents for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
7. Deeley *v.* Lloyds Bank, Limited — Order of the 11th instant referring to the Appeal Committee the petition of the Appellant, *discharged*.
8. Deeley *v.* Lloyds Bank, Limited — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging her printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 19th day of June next (the agent for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
9. The Lord Ashburton — Took the Oath.
10. Provisional Order Confirmation Bill — For petition respecting, *see* page 836.
11. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House, That the Clerk of the Parliaments had laid upon the Table the Certificates from the Examiners that the further Standing Orders applicable to the following Bill has been complied with:

Milford Docks.

Also the Certificates that no Standing Order is applicable to the following Bill:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1.)

And also the Certificates that the Standing Order applicable to the following Bills have been complied with:

Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.]

Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.]

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2.)

The same were ordered to lie on the Table.

12. Great Northern Railway Bill, } *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
13. Hornsea Urban District Council Bill, } Committee to meet *To-morrow*.
14. South Lancashire Tramways Bill, } Read 2^a, and *committed* for *To-morrow*.
15. Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction Bill [H.L.], } Read 3^a, and *passed*, and sent to the Commons.
16. Chapel, Whaley and District Gas Bill [H.L.], }
17. Bristol Corporation Bill, }
18. Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District) Bill, } Read 3^a, with the amendments, and *passed*, and returned to the Commons.
19. Gas Light and Coke Company Bill, }
20. Wirral Water Bill, }
21. West Cheshire Water Bill, }
22. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.], } To be read 2^a *To-morrow*.
23. Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) Bill [H.L.], }
24. Metropolitan Railway Bill, } Brought from the Commons; read 1^a; and *referred* to the Examiners.
25. Charles Sheils Charity Bill [H.L.], } Returned from the Commons, *agreed to*, with amendments.
26. Hebburn Urban District Council Bill, } Returned from the Commons, with the amendments, *agreed to*.
27. Upper Medway Conservancy Bill, }
28. Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Bill [H.L.], } *Reported* from the Select Committee, with amendments.
29. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
 No. 4665. Mexico (Consular District of Vera Cruz, 1910);
 No. 4666. Argentine Republic (Report on Finances for years 1909-1910):
30. Trade — Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and British Possessions, 1910, compared with the four preceding years. Volume I.
31. National Gallery, Ireland — Report of the Director to the Board of Governors and Guardians for the year 1910:
32. Explosives (Explosion of a Colliery Company's "Store" at Swadlincote) — Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the circumstances attending the explosion of a "store" belonging to the Granville Colliery Company, Limited, at Swadlincote, Derbyshire, which occurred on 24th March 1911:

Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.

33. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 — Annual Report on the state of the finances of the University of Edinburgh under the provisions of section 30 of the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889, for the year 1909–1910 :

34. Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Treasury Minute, dated 29th May 1911, directing that the accounts of grants to County Committees for the encouragement of the keeping of brood mares be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General :

Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.

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| 35. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill, | } | The order made on the 11th instant appointing certain Lords the Select Committee to consider the Bill, <i>discharged</i> . |
| 36. Northampton Corporation Bill, | } | Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Lord Ellenborough be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bills in the place of the Lord Ravensworth; read, and <i>agreed to</i> . |
| 37. Central London Railway Bill, | | |
| 38. Central London Railway Bill, | } | Report from the Committee of Selection, That the Lord Braye be proposed to the House as a Member of the Select Committee on the said Bill in the place of the Earl of Wicklow; read, and <i>agreed to</i> . |
| 39. Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation Bill [H.L.], | } | Read 3 ^a (according to order), and <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |
| 40. Parliament Bill, | } | Debate on the motion for the Second Reading <i>resumed</i> (according to order): After further long debate, on question, whether the Bill shall be now read 2 ^a , <i>agreed to</i> : Bill read 2 ^a accordingly, and <i>committed</i> to a Committee of the Whole House. |
| 41. Poultry Bill [H.L.], | } | Read 3 ^a (according to order), and <i>passed</i> , and sent to the Commons. |
| 42. Lunacy Bill [H.L.], | } | Order of the Day for the Third Reading read, and <i>discharged</i> . |
| 43. Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill [H.L.], | } | Committee of the Whole House (which stands appointed for To-morrow) <i>put off</i> to Tuesday the 27th of June next. |

House adjourned at twenty minutes past Seven o'clock, till To-morrow, half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
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PETITION DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

29th May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PROVISIONAL ORDER
CONFIRMATION BILL.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.] (Macclesfield Electric Lighting Order.)	Promoters of the Maccles- field and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.]	R. W. Cooper and Sons.

CAUSES.

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NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	} Second Reading.
National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD HAMILTON OF DALZELL],	} Second Reading.
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Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],	} Referred to a Select Committee.
Professional Accountants [H.L.],	- Referred to a Joint Committee.
House of Lords Reconstitution [H.L.], Parliament, Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisi- tion) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
County Courts [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee (on Re- commitment).
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Commitment.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

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Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Westbury Estate [H.L.], Chasetown Gas,				
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),			}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.],				
Gloucester Corporation,				
Thorney Drainage [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Report.		
Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.],				
Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) [H.L.],				
Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage,				
Southampton Harbour,				
Lunacy [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Third Reading.		
Rhondda Urban District Council, [H.L.],				
Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],				
Great Northern Railway,				
	{ (Amend- ments), }			

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Moveable Dwellings [H.L.],
 Perjury [H.L.],
 Employment of Children Act (1903)
 Amendment [H.L.],
 Municipal Elections [H.L.],
 Parsonages [H.L.],
 Poultry [H.L.],
 Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick
 Corporation Payment) Confirma-
 tion [H.L.],
 Handsworth Urban District Council
 [H.L.],
 Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.],
 Ely Rural District Water [H.L.],
 London, Brighton and South Coast
 Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.],
 Hastings Corporation (Water and
 Finance) [H.L.],
 Sidmouth Gas and Electricity
 [H.L.],
 Oystermouth Urban District Council
 [H.L.],
 Luton Gas [H.L.],
 Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],
 Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],
 Winchester Corporation (Electric
 Supply) [H.L.],
 Rochdale Market [H.L.],
 Barry Railway [H.L.],
 Lloyds [H.L.],
 Rhymney Railway [H.L.],
 Enfield Gas [H.L.],
 Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],
 City of London (Various Powers)
 [H.L.],
 Alexandra (Newport and South
 Wales) Docks and Railway
 [H.L.],
 Great Western Railway [H.L.],
 Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],
 London, Brighton and South Coast
 Railway [H.L.],
 North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],
 London and South-Western Railway
 [H.L.],
 Chester Water [H.L.],
 Penllwyn Railway [H.L.],
 Swansea Gas [H.L.],
 Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees,
 and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],
 Great Yarmouth Port and Haven
 [H.L.],
 Midland Railway [H.L.],
 Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],

Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Chapel, Whaley and District Gas [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.
Tamworth Gas, Blackburn Corporation Water, London Electric Railway, Port of London Authority, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District), Gas Light and Coke Company, Wirral Water, West Cheshire Water, Bristol Corporation, Metropolitan District Railway,	} Returned to the Commons amended.
Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.],	} Waiting for consideration of Com- mons Amendments.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 12.), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 13.), Christ Church Glasgow Order Confirmation [H.L.], Marriages Provisional Order, Coventry Corporation, Felixstowe and Walton Water, Warrington Corporation, Chesham and District Gas [H.L.], St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Order Confirmation, London United Tramways, Furness Railway, Weston-super-Mare Gas, Chichester Gas, Manchester and Milford Railway, Luton Water [H.L.], London Cemetery Company [H.L.], Swinton Urban District Council [H.L.], Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail- way, Slough Urban District Water [H.L.], Dover Corporation, Hebburn Urban District Council, Upper Medway Conservancy,	} Waiting for Royal Assent.

COMMITTEES.

Tuesday the 30th of May.

Select Committee on the House of Lords Offices, } A quarter before
Four o'clock.

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.], Luton Corporation, London County Council (General Powers), Marple Urban District Council Gas, Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer), Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, Sligo Corporation, Hornsea Urban District Council, South Lancashire Tramways,	}	Three o'clock.
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Rhymney Valley Water Board [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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Northampton Corporation, Central London Railway,	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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Manchester Corporation [H.L.], Paignton Urban District Council,	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Two o'clock.
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HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 26th May.

Sess. Numb.

(91 a.) County Courts Bill — Amendment to be moved on Re-commitment. (L. Dunmore).

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

Annual Series: Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —

- [Cd. 5465-45.] Austria-Hungary: Trade and Commerce of Bosnia Herzegovina for 1910. No. 4652.
- [Cd. 5465-46.] Mexico: Trade of the Consular District of Colima for 1910. No. 4653.
- [Cd. 5465-48.] Japan: Trade of the Consular District of Hakodate for 1910. No. 4655.
- [Cd. 5465-49.] Spain: Trade, Commerce, and Industries of the Provinces of the Asturias, Galicia, and Leon for 1910. No. 4656.
- [Cd. 5465-50.] United States: Trade and Commerce of Porto Rico for 1910. No. 4657.
- [Cd. 5665.] Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — Annual Report of the Intelligence Division. Part I. Proceedings under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, 1875 to 1907, the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 to 1894, the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries Act, 1903, and the Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5691.] Census of Ireland for the Year 1911 — Preliminary Report, with Abstract, of the Enumerators' Summaries.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 25th May.

Sess. Numb.

[225.] Bill — Trade Unions (No. 2).

26th May.

- [147.] Bill — Public Houses Improvement.
- [228.] — Education (Administrative Provisions) (No. 2).
- [229.] — Education (School and Continuation Class Attendance).
- [230.] — Aerial Navigation.
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Martis, 30° Maii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. *Walters v. Staveley Coal and Iron Company, Limited* — Heard for the Appellant : Counsel appearing for the Respondents, but not called on : Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
2. *Keates v. Lewis Merthyr Consolidated Collieries, Limited* — Fully heard, and consideration adjourned *sine die*.
3. *New Monckton Collieries, Limited v. Keeling* — In part heard, and adjourned to *Thursday* next.
4. Owners of SS. "Raphael" *v. Brandy* — Adjourned to *Thursday* next.
5. *Watkinson v. Wilson* — To be heard on *Thursday* next.
6. Mayor, &c. of Salford and others *v. Mayor, &c. of Eccles (England)* — Appeal *presented*, and read ; and the Respondents ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Tuesday the 11th day of July next.
7. **Charles Sheils Charity Bill** } Commons amendments *considered*,
[H.L.], } and *agreed to*.
8. **Westbury Estate Bill** [H.L.], } Committee to meet on *Thursday*
next.
9. **Rhymney Valley Water Board** } Report from the Select Committee
Bill [H.L.], } that it is not expedient to pro-
ceed further with the Bill ; read,
and ordered to lie on the Table.
10. **Education Board Provisional** } *Reported*, without amendment, and
Orders Confirmation (Dur- } *re-committed* to a Committee of
ham, &c.) Bill [H.L.], } the Whole House *To-morrow*.
11. **London County Council (Gene-** }
ral Powers) Bill, }
12. **Marple Urban District Council** }
Gas Bill, } *Reported*, with amendments.
13. **Widnes and Runcorn Bridge** }
(Transfer) Bill, }
14. **Nottinghamshire and Derby-** }
shire Tramways Bill, }

15. Sligo Corporation Bill, - *Reported*, without amendment.
16. Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Sewerage Board Bill, } Read 3^a, and *passed*.
17. Rhôs-on-Sea Pier Bill, }
 18. Clyde Navigation Bill, } Read 3^a, with the amendments, and
 19. Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill, } *passed*, and returned to the Commons.
20. London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill, }
 21. Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill, } Brought from the Commons;
 22. Woking Urban District Council (Basingstoke Canal) Bill, } read 1^a, and *referred* to the Examiners.
23. Ely Rural District Water Bill [H.L.], } Returned from the Commons,
 } *agreed to*, with amendments:
 } The said amendments *considered*,
 } and *agreed to*.
24. Port of London Authority Bill, }
 25. Blackburn Corporation Water Bill, } Returned from the Commons, with
 26. Metropolitan District Railway Bill, } the amendments, *agreed to*.
27. Central London Railway Bill, } The order made on the 11th instant
 } appointing certain Lords the
 } Select Committee to consider the
 } Bill, *discharged*.
28. Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1.) Bill, }
 29. Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2.) Bill, } To be read 2^a *To-morrow* (The Lord Ashby St. Ledgers).
30. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) Bill [H.L.], }
 31. Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) Bill [H.L.], } To be read 2^a *To-morrow*.
32. Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply Bill [H.L.], } Report from the Committee of
 } Selection, That the following
 } Lords be proposed to the House
 } to form the Select Committee
 } for the consideration of the said
 } Bills; (*viz.*),
33. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.) Bill, }

E. Scarbrough,
 E. Lytton (chairman),
 E. Ancaster,
 L. Vaux of Harrowden,
 L. Monckton (*V. Galway*);

agreed to; and the said Lords appointed accordingly: The Committee to meet on *Tuesday* the 27th of *June* next, at Eleven o'clock; and all Petitions referred to the Committee, with leave to the Petitioners praying to be heard by Counsel against the Bills to be heard as desired, as also Counsel for the Bills.

34. Census of England and Wales, 1911 — Preliminary Report, with Tables of the Population enumerated in England and Wales (Administrative Registration and Parliamentary Areas) and in Scotland, Ireland, the Isle of Man, and the Channel Islands, on 3rd April 1911:
35. Board of Education — Reports for the year 1910 on the Geological Survey, the Geological Museum in Jermyn Street, the Science Museum at South Kensington, and the work of the Solar Physics Committee:
36. National Insurance Bill. Part II. Unemployment (Unemployed Benefits of Trade Unions and Earnings in Insured Trades) — Tables showing the rules and expenditure of Trade Unions in respect of unemployed benefits, and also showing earnings in Insured Trades:
37. Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 — Order in Council, dated 25th May 1911, providing for the recognition of Spanish Tonnage Certificates:
38. Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865 — Order in Council, dated 25th May 1911, sanctioning the payment of a certain allowance to the Captain's clerk of the Gunnery Establishment at Portsmouth:
39. Prisons (England and Wales) (Visiting Committees) — Rules proposed to be made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under the Prison Acts, 1877 and 1898, with respect to the constitution of the Visiting Committee of Lancaster Prison:
40. Royal Palaces — Treasury Minute, dated 25th May 1911, directing that the accounts of receipts and expenditure of the Grant-in-Aid for Royal Palaces be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General:
41. Superannuation — Draft rules framed by the Treasury under section 7 (1) of the Superannuation Act, 1909:

Laid before the House (pursuant to Act), and ordered to lie on the Table.

42. **Railway Traffic Consolidation and Amendment Bill** [H.L.],
43. House of Lords Offices — Second Report of the Select Committee to be *printed*, and to be *considered* on *Thursday* next. (N° 93.)
44. **Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill** [H.L.],
45. **National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill** [H.L.],
46. **Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) Bill** [H.L.],
47. **Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) Bill** [H.L.],
- A Bill for the better regulation of Railway Traffic and for consolidating in one Act the provisions of various Acts relating thereto — Was *presented* by the Lord Barnard; read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N° 92.)
- Read 2^a (according to order).

PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

31st May.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PROVISIONAL ORDER
CONFIRMATION BILLS.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.] (Pateley Bridge Order.)	West Riding County Council.	Dyson and Co.
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) [H.L.] (Harrow and District Order.)	North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company.	Rees and Freres.

CAUSES.

Thursday the 1st of June.

New Monckton Collieries, Limited *v.* Keeling,

} Further
Hearing.

Owners of SS. "Raphael" *v.* Brandy,

Watkinson *v.* Wilson,

} Hearing.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Thursday the 1st of June.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

Dover Graving Dock Bill, }
 Milford Docks Bill, } Second Reading.

At half-past Four o'clock.

Business of the House — Standing Order No. **XXXIX.** to be considered in order to its being suspended for this day's sitting [THE LORD PRESIDENT (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)].

Education Board Provisional
 Orders Confirmation }
 (Durham, &c.) Bill [H.L.] [THE } Third Reading.
 EARL BEAUCHAMP],

Aerial Navigation Bill [THE }
 LORD HERSCHELL], } Second Reading.

House of Lords Offices — Consideration of the Second Report from the Select Committee (THE CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES).

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Tuesday the 27th of June.

Thrift and Credit Societies Bill [H.L.] }
 [The Earl of Shaftesbury], } Second Reading.

Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill [H.L.] }
 [The Lord Avebury], } Committee.

Wednesday the 28th of June.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

Parliament Bill [The Lord President }
 (V. Morley of Blackburn)], } Committee.

Parliament Bill — The Lord Heneage, on the motion that the House do now resolve itself into Committee, to move to resolve, That, whereas this House has unanimously passed the Second Reading of the Lords Reconstruction Bill embodying the principles of the abolition of an Hereditary House of Lords and the reduction of the number of members of a future Second Chamber to be composed of elected and nominated Peers of Parliament, it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Parliament Bill, in fulfilment of its Preamble, to insert clauses to carry out the principles contained in the Lords Reconstruction Bill which has been accepted by this House.

(No day named.)

For Notice of the Earl Nelson, *see* page 808.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

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The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] }
[*The Lord Balfour*], } Adjourned Debate on the motion
for the Second Reading.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

The Lord Wynford — To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

The Duke of Northumberland — To call attention to the recent correspondence between the Trustees of the British Museum and the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works with regard to the proposal of the Government to curtail the land allotted to the National History Museum at South Kensington.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Bristol Tramways,	- Referred to the Examiners.
Woking Urban District Council (Basingstoke Canal), Metropolitan Railway, East Kent Electric Power [H.L.], London County Council (Tramways and Improvements), Metropolitan Electric Tramways,	} To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Tuesday the 27th of June.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Maritime Conventions [H.L.], Railway Traffic Consolidation and Amendment [H.L.],	} Waiting for Second Reading,
East Kent Electric Power [H.L.],	} Second Reading on <i>Tuesday the 27th of June.</i>
Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.], Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],	} Referred to a Select Committee.
House of Lords Reconstitution [H.L.], Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisi- tion) [H.L.], Professional Accountants [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee.
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.], Pier and Harbour Orders Confirma- tion (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Commitment.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) [H.L.], National Gallery and St. James's Park [H.L.], Pier and Harbour Orders Confirma- tion (No. 2.) [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Commitment.
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Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS), Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.], Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS), Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS), Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.], Local Government (Ireland) Provi- sional Orders (No. 1.), Local Government (Ireland) Provi- sional Orders (No. 2.), Land Drainage Provisional Order, Metropolitan Police Provisional Order, Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order, Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.), Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.), Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.], Dover Graving Dock, Milford Docks, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Chasetown Gas,	}	Committed.
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Gas and Water Orders Confirma- [H.L.] — (Guisborough Water Order), Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11.),	}	Waiting for Select Committees to be named.
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BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Handsworth Urban District Council
 [H.L.],
 Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.],
 London, Brighton and South Coast
 Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.],
 Hastings Corporation (Water and
 Finance) [H.L.],
 Sidmouth Gas and Electricity
 [H.L.],
 Oystermouth Urban District Council
 [H.L.],
 Luton Gas [H.L.],
 Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],
 Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],
 Winchester Corporation (Electric
 Supply) [H.L.],
 Rochdale Market [H.L.],
 Barry Railway [H.L.],
 Lloyds [H.L.],
 Rhymney Railway [H.L.],
 Enfield Gas [H.L.],
 Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],
 City of London (Various Powers)
 [H.L.],
 Alexandra (Newport and South
 Wales) Docks and Railway
 [H.L.],
 Great Western Railway [H.L.],
 Harrogate Corporation [H.L.],
 London, Brighton and South Coast
 Railway [H.L.],
 North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],
 London and South-Western Railway
 [H.L.],
 Chester Water [H.L.],
 Penllwyn Railway [H.L.],
 Swansea Gas [H.L.],
 Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees,
 and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],
 Great Yarmouth Port and Haven
 [H.L.],
 Midland Railway [H.L.],
 Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],
 Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation
 [H.L.],
 London, Tilbury, and Southend
 Railway [H.L.],
 Ferries (Acquisition by Local
 Authorities) [H.L.],
 Brighton, Hove and District Railless
 Traction [H.L.],
 Chapel, Whaley and District Gas
 [H.L.],
 Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries
 [H.L.],

Sent to the Commons.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Rhôs-on-Sea Pier,
 Clyde Navigation,
 Chesterfield Gas and Water Board,
 Metropolitan Electric Supply Com-
 pany (Acton District),
 Gas Light and Coke Company,
 Wirral Water,
 West Cheshire Water,
 Bristol Corporation,

} Returned to the Commons amended.

Aerial Navigation,
 St. Andrew's Ambulance Association
 Order Confirmation,
 Christ Church Glasgow Order
 Confirmation [H.L.],
 Local Government Provisional Order
 (No. 12.),
 Local Government Provisional Order
 (No. 13.),
 Marriages Provisional Order,
 Chesham and District Gas [H.L.],
 Coventry Corporation,
 Felixstowe and Walton Water,
 Warrington Corporation,
 London United Tramways,
 Furness Railway,
 Weston-super-Mare Gas,
 Chichester Gas,
 Manchester and Milford Railway,
 Luton Water [H.L.],
 London Cemetery Company [H.L.],
 Swinton Urban District Council
 [H.L.],
 Seaforth and Sefton Junction Rail-
 way,
 Slough Urban District Water [H.L.],
 Dover Corporation,
 Hebburn Urban District Council,
 Upper Medway Conservancy,
 Charles Sheils Charity [H.L.],
 Western Valleys (Monmouthshire)
 Sewerage Board,
 Ely Rural District Water [H.L.],
 Port of London Authority,
 Blackburn Corporation Water,
 London Electric Railway,
 Sligo Corporation,
 Metropolitan District Railway,
 Tamworth Gas,

} Waiting for Royal Assent.

COMMITTEES.

Tuesday the 27th of June.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts,
1888 and 1894, and Local Government
(Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } Two o'clock.

Macclesfield and District Railless
Traction and Electricity Supply
[H.L.], }
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders } Select Committee;
(No. 2.) [H.L.] — (Macclesfield } Eleven o'clock.
and Pateley Bridge Orders), }

ADJOURNED COMMITTEE.

(No day named.)

Westbury Estate [H.L.]

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 2nd June.

Sess. Numb.

- (95.) Bill — Aerial Navigation.
- (46 a.) Small Holdings and Allotments Bill — Amendments to be moved in Committee. (E. Carrington.)
- (93.) House of Lords Offices — Second Report from the Select Committee.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

- [Cd. 5690.] Ancient Monuments and Historic Buildings — Report of the Inspector of Ancient Monuments for the Year ending 31st March 1911.
- [Cd. 5700.] Census of Scotland, 1911 — Preliminary Report on the Twelfth Census of Scotland.

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPER,

delivered 1st June.

Sess. Numb.

- [220.] Bill — Finance.
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Martis, 13° Junii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Stead and another *v.* Smith — Fully heard (the Appellant appearing in person): Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
2. Tamworth Colliery Company, Limited *v.* Hall — Fully heard: Order appealed from *affirmed*, with a variation and Cause *remitted* to the County Court Judge; and a direction given as to costs both in this House and below.
3. William Edge and Sons, Limited *v.* William Niccolls and Sons, Limited,
4. Fletcher (formerly Hewitt) and others (paupers) *v.* Owners of ship "Duchess,"
5. Wilde *v.* Seldon (England),
6. Appleyard *v.* Templeton and another (First Appeal) (England),
7. Appleyard *v.* Templeton and another (Second Appeal) (England),
8. Appleyard *v.* Templeton and another (Third Appeal) (England),
9. Kilpatrick *v.* Dunlop (Scotland),
10. Society of Governor, &c. of New Plantation in Ulster and others *v.* Harold and others (Ireland),
11. Allen and others *v.* Bird — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 1st day of July next (the agents for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
12. Pope *v.* Hill's Plymouth Company, Limited — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging her printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 8th day of July next (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
13. Harrison *v.* Wallace and others — Petition of the Appellant that the time for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 20th day of July next (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.

To be heard *To-morrow*.

Appeals *presented*, and read; and the Respondents in each Appeal ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Tuesday the 25th day of July next.

14. Arthur *v.* Henderson — Petition of the Appellant that the time for giving the usual security for costs required by Standing Order No. IV. and for lodging his printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 10th day of July next; read, and *referred* to the Appeal Committee.
15. Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham — Petition of Cuthbert Matthias Kenworthy and Reginald Gervase Alexander (claiming to be co-heirs of the ancient Baronies of Burgh, Strabolgi, and Cobham) for leave to present a joint printed case upon their claims; read, and *referred* to the Committee for Privileges.

House adjourned at Four o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

CAUSES.

Wednesday the 14th of June.

William Edge and Sons, Limited <i>v.</i> William Nicolls and Sons, Limited,	}	Hearing.
Fletcher (formerly Hewitt) and others (paupers) <i>v.</i> Owners of ship "Duchess,"		

Monday the 26th of June.

Moss Steamship Company, Limited <i>v.</i> Whinney,	}	Consideration.
Pott, Cassels and Williamson, and others <i>v.</i> Watson, Laidlaw, and Company,		
John D. Hope and Company and another <i>v.</i> Glendinning,		

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Mercurii, 14° Junii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. William Edge and Sons, Limited *v.* William Nicolls and Sons, Limited — In part heard, and adjourned till *To-morrow*.
2. Fletcher (formerly Hewitt) and others (paupers) *v.* Owners of ship “Duchess” — Adjourned till *To-morrow*.
3. T. W. Thomas and Company, Limited *v.* Portsea Steamship Company, Limited — To be heard *To-morrow*.

House adjourned at Four o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

CAUSES.

Monday the 26th of June.

Moss Steamship Company, Limited *v.* Whinney,

Pott, Cassels and Williamson, and others *v.* Watson,
Laidlaw, and Company,

John D. Hope and Company and another *v.* Glendinning,

} Consideration.

House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Lunæ, 26° Junii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Pott, Cassels and Williamson, and others *v.* Watson, Laidlaw, and Company — *Considered* : On question, that the Interlocutor appealed from be reversed, the votes being equal, according to ancient rule, *resolved* in the *negative* : Interlocutor appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed*.
 2. John D. Hope and Company and another *v.* Glendinning — *Considered* : Interlocutor appealed from *reversed* : Interlocutor of the Lord Ordinary *restored* ; the Respondent to pay to the Appellants their costs both here and below.
 3. Attorney-General (at the relation of Mayor, &c. of Tamworth and others) *v.* Birmingham, Tame and Rea District Drainage Board — In part heard (on motion), and adjourned till *To-morrow*.
 4. Moss Steamship Company, Limited *v.* Whinney — *Considered* : Order appealed from *affirmed*, and Appeal *dismissed* with costs.
 5. Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,
 6. Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited *v.* "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,
- } To be considered on *Wednesday* next.
7. Ross and others *v.* Ross — To be considered on *Thursday* next.
 8. Harris and another *v.* Earl of Chesterfield and another,
 9. Johnston and others *v.* O'Neill and others,
- } To be considered on *Friday* the 14th of *July* next.
10. Sun Insurance Office *v.* Clark (Surveyor of Taxes) (England),
 11. Gee *v.* Imperial Tobacco Company (of Great Britain and Ireland), Limited (England),
 12. Crawford and Law *v.* Allan Line Steamship Company, Limited (Scotland),
- } Appeals *presented*, and read ; and the Respondents in each Appeal ordered to lodge a printed case in answer thereto on or before Monday the 7th day of August next.
13. Deeley *v.* Lloyds Bank, Limited — Petition of the Appellant (lodged 19th June 1911), that the time for lodging her printed cases and the appendix and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 3rd day of July next (the agent for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.

14. Howley Park Coal and Cannel Company *v.* London and North-Western Railway Company — Petition of the Appellants that the time for lodging their printed cases and the appendix returning the “Order of Service,” and setting down the Cause for hearing may be extended to the 31st day of July next (the agent for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
15. Kilmarnock Theatre Company, Limited (in liquidation), and others *v.* Buchanan and others — Petition of the Appellants for leave to revive the Appeal against John M’Geachin and Thomas Munro, the executors of Alexander Cullen, deceased, in the place and stead of the said Alexander Cullen, and for leave to amend the Petition of Appeal and their printed cases and the appendix accordingly (the agents for the Respondents consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
16. Kilmarnock Theatre Company, Limited (in liquidation), and others *v.* Buchanan and others — Set down for hearing (*ex parte*).
17. Kilpatrick *v.* Dunlop — Petition of the Appellant for leave to amend the Petition of Appeal (the agents for the Respondent consenting thereto); read, and ordered as prayed.
18. Several Lords — Took the Oath.
19. Private Bills — For petitions respecting, *see* pages 931 and 932.
20. **East Kent Electric Power Bill** { Second Reading (which stands
[H.L.], appointed for To-morrow) *put off*
to *Wednesday* next.
21. **Consolidated Fund (No. 2.)** { Brought from the Commons.
Bill,
22. **Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill,**
23. **Local Government Provisional** {
Orders (No. 4.) Bill, (N° 97.)
24. **Local Government (Ireland)** {
Provisional Orders (No. 3.) { Brought from the Commons;
Bill, (N° 98.) read 1^a; to be *printed*, and
referred to the Examiners.
25. **Local Government Provisional** {
Orders (Gas) Bill, (N° 99.)
26. **Local Government Provisional** {
Order (Gas) (No. 2.) Bill, (N° 100.)
27. **Inverness Harbour Order Con-** { Brought from the Commons;
firmation Bill, (N° 101.) read 1^a; to be *printed*; and
(pursuant to the Private Legis-
lation Procedure (Scotland) Act,
1899) deemed to have been
read 2^a (The Lord Pentland), and
reported from the Committee.
28. **Dumbarton Churchyard Order** {
Confirmation Bill, (N° 102.)
29. **Halifax Corporation Bill,** { Brought from the Commons;
30. **Thames Conservancy Bill,** read 1^a; and *referred* to the
31. **Belfast Corporation Bill,** Examiners.
32. **Hastings Corporation (Water** {
and Finance) Bill [H.L.], Returned from the Commons,
agreed to, with amendments:
33. **London, Brighton and South** {
Coast Railway (Steam { The said amendments *considered*,
Vessels) Bill [H.L.], and *agreed to*.

34. **Luton Gas Bill** [H.L.],
 35. **Enfield Gas Bill** [H.L.],
 36. **Rhymney Railway Bill** [H.L.],
 37. **Bristol Corporation Bill**,
 38. **Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill**,
 39. **Gas Light and Coke Company Bill**,
 40. **Metropolitan Electric Supply Company (Acton District) Bill**,
 41. **Rhôs-on-Sea Pier Bill**,
 42. **West Cheshire Water Bill**,
 43. **Wirral Water Bill**,
 44. **Clyde Navigation Bill**,
 45. **Consolidated Fund (No. 2.) Bill**,
 46. **Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill**,
 47. The Lord Chancellor acquainted the House that the following Papers, having been commanded to be presented to this House by His Majesty, had been so presented on the following dates by delivery to the Clerk of the Parliaments, pursuant to Standing Order No. CXI., viz.:
1. Colonies (Annual)—
 No. 675. St. Helena (Report for 1910). (June 7);
 No. 676. Gibraltar (Report for 1910). (June 10);
 No. 677. Basutoland (Report for 1909–1910). (June 12);
 No. 678. Weihaiwei (Report for 1910). (June 15);
 No. 679. Gambia (Report for 1910). (June 16);
2. Navy (Hydrographer's Report)— Report on Admiralty Surveys for the year 1910, by the Hydrographer. (June 7);
3. National Galleries of Scotland Act, 1906 — Fourth Report to the Secretary for Scotland by the Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland for the Year from 1st April 1910 to 31st March 1911. (June 7);
4. Congested Districts Board (Ireland) — Report of the Board for the period 1st April 1909 to the 31st March 1911, with audited accounts to the 31st March 1910. (June 7);
5. Trade Reports (Annual Series)—
 No. 4667. Mexico (Salina Cruz Consular District, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4668. Greece (Corfu, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4669. China (Nanking, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4670. Netherlands (Java, Sumatra, &c., 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4671. Russia (Finland, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4672. China (Teng Yueh, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4673. Germany (Consular District of German South-West Africa, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4674. Turkey (Consular District of Adrianople, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4675. France (Consular District of Calais, 1910). (June 7);
- Returned from the Commons, agreed to, with amendments: The said amendments considered, and agreed to.
- Returned from the Commons, with the amendments, agreed to.
- Read 1^a, and to be read 2^a on *Wednesday* next (The Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)), and Standing Order No. **XXXIX.** to be considered in order to its being dispensed with.
- Read 1^a, and to be *printed*. (N^o 103.)

- No. 4676. *Corea* (Trade of *Corea*, 1910). (June 7);
 No. 4677. *Roumania* (Trade, Commerce, and Agriculture, 1910). (June 8);
 No. 4678. *China* (*Chungking*, 1910). (June 8);
 No. 4679. *China* (*Pakhoi*, 1910). (June 8);
 No. 4680. *France* (Consular District of *Rouen*, 1910). (June 12);
 No. 4681. *China* (*Wuhu*, 1910). (June 12);
 No. 4682. *China* (*Kiaochow*). (June 15);
 No. 4683. *Russia* (*Batoum*). (June 15);
 No. 4684. *Portugal* (*Chinde*). (June 15);
 No. 4685. *Brazil* (*Penambuco*). (June 15);
 No. 4686. *Brazil* (*Rio de Janeiro*). (June 15);
 No. 4687. *United States* (*Philadelphia*). (June 19);
 No. 4688. *Portugal* (*Portugal*). (June 19);
 No. 4689. *Portugal* (*Lisbon*). (June 19);
 No. 4690. *Russia* (*Moscow*). (June 19);
 No. 4691. *France* (*Lyons*). (June 19);
 No. 4692. *Spain* (*Saville*). (June 19);
 No. 4693. *France* (*Corsica*). (June 19);
 No. 4694. *United States* (*Boston*). (June 21);
 No. 4695. *Cuba* (*Cuba*). (June 21);
 No. 4696. *Turkey* (*Baghdad*). (June 21);
 No. 4697. *Turkey* (*Jerusalem*). (June 21);
6. *Mines and Quarries* (outbreak of *Glanders* and alleged general insanitary condition of certain *Collieries*)— Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department by J. S. Martin, I.S.O., and D. Rocyn Jones, M.B., D.P.H., on an outbreak of *glanders* among the horses, and the alleged general insanitary condition of the *collieries* belonging to the *Ebbw Vale Steel, Iron, and Coal Company, Limited*, in the County of *Monmouth*. (June 8);
7. *Fisheries* (*Scotland*)— Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the *Fishery Board* for *Scotland* for the year 1910. (June 8);
8. *Historical Manuscripts* (*Royal Commission*)—
 I. Report on *Pepys' manuscripts* preserved at *Magdalene College, Cambridge*. (June 12);
 II. Report on the manuscripts of *J. B. Fortescue, Esq.*, preserved at *Dropmore*. Volume VIII. (June 21);
9. *Exhibition of 1851* (*Royal Commission*)— Eighth Report of the *Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851*. (June 13);
10. *Public Records*— Seventy-Second Annual Report of the *Deputy Keeper of the Public Records*. (June 13);
11. *East Africa Protectorate*— Correspondence relating to the *Masai*. (June 13);
12. *China No. 1* (1911)— Despatches from *Sir A. Hosie* forwarding Reports respecting the *Opium question in China*. (June 13);
13. *Treaty Series, 1911*—
 No. 12. *Arbitration Convention* between the *United Kingdom and Brazil*; signed at *Petropolis*, 18th June 1909. (Ratifications exchanged at *Rio de Janeiro*, 6th May 1911). (June 13);
 No. 13. *Agreement* between the *United Kingdom and China* relating to *Opium*; signed in *English and Chinese texts* at *Peking*, 8th May 1911; together with notes relating thereto exchanged on that day. (June 13);
 No. 14. *Convention* between the *United Kingdom and Mexico* respecting telegraphic communications between *Mexico and British Honduras*; signed at *Mexico*, 27th May 1910. (Ratifications exchanged at *Mexico*, 8th May 1911). (June 17);

- No. 15. Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Japan; signed at London, 3rd April 1911. (Ratifications exchanged at Tokio, 5th May 1911); together with exchange of notes terminating the Agreement of 4th | 5th December 1878, respecting expenses incurred for shipwrecked subjects; London, 3rd April, 1911. (June 17);
14. Board of Education —
- I. Report on the working of the Education (Provision of Meals) Act, 1906, for the year ended 31st March 1910. (June 14);
 - II. Minute of the Board of Education, dated 13th June 1911, modifying the Regulations for Public Elementary Schools, 1909, in England and Wales, as already modified by the Minute dated 25th June 1910. (June 14);
 - III. Further Papers relating to the registration of teachers and the proposed Registration Council (in continuation of [Cd. 4185.] and [Cd. 4402.] (June 16);
15. Irish Land Commission (Proceedings) — Return for the month of October 1910. (June 16);
16. Natural History Museum — Memorial, resolutions, &c. from members of Learned Societies and others, against the appropriation of part of the Natural History Museum site in order to provide a site for a new science museum at South Kensington. (June 16);
17. Miscellaneous, No. 7. (1911) — Reports from His Majesty's representatives abroad respecting payment of members of Foreign Parliaments. (June 16);
18. Japan, No. 2. (1911) — Correspondence respecting the ownership of land and mines by British subjects in Corea. (June 17);
19. Lunacy (Scotland) Act — Fifty-third Annual Report of the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for Scotland. (June 19);
20. Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation — Seventh Report of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation for the year 1910. (June 20);
21. Education (Scotland) — Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 15th June 1911, amending the minute of 27th March 1911, amending the terms of Articles 19 and 32 of the Code of Regulations for Day Schools. (June 20);
22. National School Teachers' (Ireland) Pension Fund — Account of receipts and payments in respect of the capital and income of the National School Teachers' (Ireland) Pension Fund for the period to 31st December 1910. (June 20);
23. Boiler Explosions — Report to the Secretary of the Board of Trade upon the working of the Boiler Explosions Acts, 1882 and 1890, with appendices (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper [Cd. 5233.]) (June 21);
24. National Insurance Bill — Replies to letters addressed to the Chancellor of the Exchequer. (June 21);
- The same were ordered to lie on the Table.
48. Miscellaneous, No. 8. (1911) — Correspondence respecting the Declaration of London (in continuation of "Miscellaneous, No. 4. (1910) [Cd. 5418.]");
49. Board of Education (Report on Educational Endowments) — Report of the Departmental Committee on Educational Endowments. Vol. II. Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Index;
50. Trade Reports (Annual Series) —
- No. 4698. China (Hangchow, 1910);
 - No. 4699. Japan (Japanese Budget for the financial year 1911-1912);
 - No. 4700. Brazil (State of Sao Paulo, 1910);
 - No. 4701. China (Swatow, 1910);

51. National Portrait Gallery — Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Trustees of the National Portrait Gallery, 1910–1911 :
Presented (by command), and ordered to lie on the Table.
52. London County Council — Returns showing up to 31st March 1911 :
 I.—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 ;
 5. An estimate of the expenditure of the Council for all purposes, for the year ended 31st March 1912 ;
 II.—1. All moneys raised by the Metropolitan Board of Works and the Council since the passing of the Act for the purposes mentioned in the Act ;
 2. Particulars in relation to every parish, district, union, or place in respect whereof a loan has been obtained from the Metropolitan Board of Works or the Council since the passing of the Act :
53. Superannuation (Professional Qualifications) — Treasury Minute, dated 3rd June 1911, declaring that for the due and efficient discharge of the duties of the office of Agricultural Adviser to the Scotch Education Department, professional or other peculiar qualifications not ordinarily to be acquired on the public service are required :
54. Commons Act, 1876 (Burlington Commons, Somerset) — Special report by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries upon modification of a provisional order for the regulation of Burrington, Ham, Blackdown, Langford Green, and Havyat Green, in the Parishes of Burrington and Wrington in the County of Somerset :
55. Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1906 — Forty-seventh Annual Report on Alkali, &c. Works by the Chief Inspector. Proceedings during the year 1910 presented to the Local Government Board and to the Secretary for Scotland :
56. Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances) — Additional rule as to decked lifeboats under the provisions of section 427 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 :
57. Merchant Seamen's Fund — Account of the receipt and expenditure under the Seamen's Fund Winding-up Act from 1st January to 31st December 1910 :
58. Polling Districts — Order made by the Council of the County of Durham altering certain polling districts in the North-Western Parliamentary Division of the County.
59. Shop Hours Act, 1904—
 1. Order made by the Council of the County of Denbigh and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of shops within part of the Parish of Llandrillo-yn-Rhos ;
 2. Order made by the Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Finsbury and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of shops within the Borough ;
 3. Orders made by the undermentioned authorities and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of shops within the several districts: County of Glamorgan (Penarth Urban District); County Borough of Bristol; and Borough of Hemel Hempsted (Apsley District) ;
 4. Order by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 26th May 1911, providing for the early closing of certain classes of shops in the Burgh of Perth :

76. County Courts Bill [H.L.], { Order for the House to be in Committee (on re-commitment) To-morrow, *discharged*.
77. National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill [H.L.], { Committed to a Committee of the Whole House on *Wednesday* next.

House adjourned at half-past Four o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

 PETITIONS DEPOSITED IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

26th June.

 PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILLS.

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) [H.L.] (Provisional Order No. 2.)	1. Westminster Borough Council. 2. Hammersmith Borough Council. 3. North London Railway Company.	Allen and Sons. Watson, Sons, and Room. C. de J. Andrewes.
(Provisional Order No. 3.)	1. Lessees and occupiers of houses and other property in St. Pancras. 2. The London and North-Western Railway Company. 3. St. Pancras Borough Council.	Beveridge, Greig, and Co. C. de J. Andrewes. Sharpe and Co.
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.] (Cannock Order.)	Cannock Urban District Council.	Smiles and Co.
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.] (Busby and District Gas Order.)	Glasgow Corporation - -	Martin and Co.
(Preston Gas Order.)	Preston Rural District Council.	Lees and Co.
(Uxbridge Gas Order.)	Hertfordshire County Council.	Sherwood and Co.
London County Council (Tramways and Improvements).	1. South Eastern Railway Company, London, Chatham and Dover Railway Company, and South Eastern and Chatham Railway Companies Managing Committee.	R. W. Cooper and Sons.

PRAYING TO BE HEARD AGAINST PRIVATE BILLS—*continued.*

NAME OF BILL.	PETITIONERS.	BY WHOM DEPOSITED.
London County Council (Tramways and Improvements)— <i>continued.</i>	2. London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Company. 3. The Governors of St. Dunstons Educational Foundation. 4. Metropolitan Water Board.	P. V. Rose. Speechly, Mumford, and Craig. Dyson and Co.

CAUSES.

Tuesday the 27th of June.

Attorney-General (at the relation of Mayor, &c. of Tamworth and others) *v.* Birmingham, Tame and Rea District Drainage Board, } **Further Hearing.**

Wednesday the 28th of June.

Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited
v. "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another, } **Consideration.**
 Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited *v.*
 "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another, }

Thursday the 29th of June.

Ross and others *v.* Ross, - - - **Consideration.**

Friday the 14th of July.

Harris and another *v.* Earl of Chesterfield and another, } **Consideration.**
 Johnston and others *v.* O'Neill and others, }

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Wednesday the 28th of June.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

East Kent Electric Power Bill [H.L.],	} Second Reading (by Order).	
Thorney Drainage Bill [H.L.],		
Aberdare Urban District Council Bill [H.L.],	} - -	} Third Reading.
Manchester Corporation Bill [H.L.],		
Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill,	} (Amendments),	
South Lancashire Tramways Bill,		
Paignton Urban District Council Bill,		

At half-past Four o'clock.

Dundee Water Order Confirmation Bill [THE LORD PENTLAND],	} Third Reading.
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The Lord President (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)—To move that Standing Order No. **XXI.** be considered in order to its being suspended for this day's sitting, and that the consideration of the Parliament Bill in Committee of the Whole House take precedence of the other Notices and Orders of the day.

The Lord Muskerry—To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY — *continued.*

to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

Parliament Bill [THE LORD PRESIDENT (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)], } **Committee.**

Consolidated Fund (No. 2.) Bill [THE LORD PRESIDENT (*V. Morley of Blackburn*)], } **Second Reading; and Standing Order No. XXXIX. to be considered in order to its being dispensed with.**

Trustee (Bodies Corporate) Bill [H.L.] [THE LORD AVEBURY], } **Committee.**

National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP], } **Committee.**

Sales for Agricultural Purposes Bill [H.L.] — THE LORD CLINTON to move, That the following Lords be named of the Select Committee:—

E. Leven and Melville.
E. Chichester.
L. Clinton.

L. Saye and Sele.
L. Clifford of Chudleigh.
L. Saltoun.

 BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Wednesday the 5th of July.

Thrift and Credit Societies Bill [H.L.] }
 [The Earl of Shaftesbury], } Second Reading.

(No day named.)

For Notice of the Earl Nelson, *see* page 808.

The Lord Stanmore—To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*)—To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] }
 [The Lord Balfour], } Adjourned Debate on the motion
 for the Second Reading.

The Lord Wynford—To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

The Duke of Northumberland—To call attention to the recent correspondence between the Trustees of the British Museum and the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works with regard to the proposal of the Government to curtail the land allotted to the National History Museum at South Kensington.

The Duke of Bedford—

1. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the 12,369 drafts mentioned by the Secretary of State for War on the 4th May 1911 as the number of men returning home from abroad during the last trooping season on completion of their term of color service are included in the 120,791 men who compose the estimated strength of the Regular Reserve on the 1st October 1911, according to the Return of the 31st March 1909.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

2. To call attention —
 - 1st. To the statement of the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, that “he had reduced the number of the Regular Army by 20,000 men, no more and no less.”
 - 2nd. To the Return of the 27th April 1911, in which the total reduction in the numbers of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men of the Regular Army serving with the colors in 1911 as compared with the numbers of Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors in 1905 is shown to be 32,706.
 - 3rd. To the fact that by the Return of 27th April 1911, the Regular establishment of the Special Reserve was included in the total number of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors, whereas the Permanent Staff of the Militia in 1905 numbering 4,242 Non-Commissioned Officers and men belonging to the Regular Army was excluded.
 3. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the total reduction in the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors since 1905 is 36,948 as stated in the Return of the 27th April last, or is 20,000, no more and no less, as stated by the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, the difference being 16,948 Non-Commissioned Officers and men.
 4. To call attention to the deficiency of Regular Infantry Officers to meet the requirements of the Expeditionary Force on mobilization; and to move for papers.
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 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4.), Local Government (Ireland) Pro- visional Orders (No. 3.), Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas), Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) (No. 2.), Bristol Tramways, Halifax Corporation, Thames Conservancy, Belfast Corporation,	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Woking Urban District Council (Basingstoke Canal), Metropolitan Railway, East Kent Electric Power [H.L.], London County Council (Tramways and Improvements), Metropolitan Electric Tramways,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Tuesday the 27th of June.</i>
Bristol Tramways,	}	To be heard by the Examiners on <i>Thursday the 29th of June.</i>
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Maritime Conventions [H.L.], Railway Traffic Consolidation and Amendment [H.L.], Public Libraries (Ireland),	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.], Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],	}	Referred to a Select Committee.
House of Lords Reconstitution [H.L.], Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisi- tion) [H.L.], Professional Accountants [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Committee.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

County Courts [H.L.],	} Waiting for Committee (on Re- commitment).
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.],	
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirma- tion (No. 1.) [H.L.],	} Waiting for Commitment.
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.],	
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) [H.L.],	
Pier and Harbour Orders Confirma- tion (No. 2.) [H.L.],	
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS),	
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1.) [H.L.],	} Committed.
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 3.) [H.L.],	
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.) [H.L.],	
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS),	
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.) [H.L.],	
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS),	
Tramways Orders Confirmation [H.L.],	
Local Government (Ireland) Provi- sional Orders (No. 1.),	
Local Government (Ireland) Provi- sional Orders (No. 2.),	
Land Drainage Provisional Order, Metropolitan Police Provisional Order,	
Derwent Fisheries Provisional Order, Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.),	
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.),	
Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],	
Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],	
Dover Graving Dock, Milford Docks, Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Liverpool Overhead Railway, Ipswich Corporation, Chasetown Gas,	

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

<p>Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.], Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.], Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.], Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.], Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.], Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.], Rochdale Market [H.L.], Barry Railway [H.L.], Lloyds [H.L.], Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.], City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.], Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.], Great Western Railway [H.L.], Harrogate Corporation [H.L.], London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.], North-Eastern Railway [H.L.], London and South-Western Railway [H.L.], Chester Water [H.L.], Penllwyn Railway [H.L.], Swansea Gas [H.L.], Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.], Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.], Midland Railway [H.L.], Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.], Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.], London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.], Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.], Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.], Chapel, Whaley and District Gas [H.L.], Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.],</p>	}	Sent to the Commons.
<p>London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Steam Vessels) [H.L.], Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) [H.L.], Luton Gas [H.L.], Rhymney Railway [H.L.], Enfield Gas [H.L.],</p>	}	Waiting for Royal Assent.

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Rhôs-on-Sea Pier, Clyde Navigation, Chesterfield Gas and Water Board, Metropolitan Electric Supply Com- pany (Acton District), Gas Light and Coke Company, Wirral Water, West Cheshire Water, Bristol Corporation,	} Waiting for Royal Assent.
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COMMITTEES.

Tuesday the 27th of June.

Macclesfield and District Railless Traction and Electricity Supply [H.L.], Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.] — (Macclesfield and Pateley Bridge Orders),	}	Select Committee; Eleven o'clock.
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Wednesday the 28th of June.

Select Committee on the Rights of Way Bill [H.L.],	}	Twelve o'clock.
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Friday the 30th of June.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894,	}	Half-past Eleven o'clock.
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ADJOURNED COMMITTEE.

(*No day named.*)

Westbury Estate [H.L.]

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 13th June.

Sess. Numb.

- (84 *c.*) Parliament Bill — Amendment to be moved in Committee.
(L. Willoughby de Broke.)

15th June.

- (72.) Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 — Statutes made by the Governing Body of Brasenose College, Oxford, on the 25th January 1911, amending certain of the Statutes of the College.

16th June.

- [Cd. 5584.] East Africa Protectorate — Correspondence relating to the Masai.
[Cd. 5658.] China, No. 1. (1911) — Despatches from Sir A. Hosie forwarding Reports respecting the Opium Question in China.
[Cd. 5659.] Treaty Series, No. 12. (1911) — Arbitration Convention between the United Kingdom and Brazil; signed at Petropolis, 18th June 1909. (Ratifications exchanged at Rio de Janeiro, 6th May 1911.)
[Cd. 5660.] Treaty Series, No. 13. (1911) — Agreement between the United Kingdom and China relating to Opium; signed in English and Chinese Texts at Peking, 8th May 1911.

17th June.

- (84 *d.*) Parliament Bill — Amendment to be moved in Committee.
(E. Ancaster.)

21st June.

- (70—III.) Irish Universities Act, 1908 — A Statute for University College, Dublin.
[Cd. 5714.] Miscellaneous, No. 7. (1911) — Reports from His Majesty's Representatives Abroad respecting Payment of Members of Foreign Parliaments.
[Cd. 5715.] Treaty Series, No. 14. (1911) — Convention between the United Kingdom and Mexico respecting Telegraphic Communication between Mexico and British Honduras; signed at Mexico, 27th May 1910. (Ratifications exchanged at Mexico, 8th May 1911.)
[Cd. 5716.] Treaty Series, No. 15. (1911) — Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Japan; signed at London, 3rd April 1911. (Ratifications exchanged at Tokio, 5th May 1911.)
[Cd. 5717.] Japan, No. 2. (1911) — Correspondence respecting the Ownership of Land and Mines by British Subjects in Corea.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

22nd June.

Sess. Numb.

(84 e.)

Parliament Bill — Amendments to be moved in Committee.

PAPERS NOT CIRCULATED.

*To be had on application at the Printed Paper Office,
House of Lords.*

Sess. Numb.

Annual Series : Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance —

- [Cd. 5465-60.] Mexico : Trade of the Consular District of Salina Cruz for 1910. No. 4667.
- [Cd. 5465-61.] Greece : Trade and Commerce of Corfu for 1910. No. 4668.
- [Cd. 5465-62.] China : Trade of Nanking for 1910. No. 4669.
- [Cd. 5465-63.] Netherlands : Trade and Commerce, &c. of Java, Sumatra, &c. for 1910. No. 4670.
- [Cd. 5465-64.] Russia : Trade and Commerce of Finland for 1910. No. 4671.
- [Cd. 5465-65.] China : Trade of Teng Yueh for 1910. No. 4672.
- [Cd. 5465-66.] Germany : Trade of the Consular District of German South-West Africa for 1910. No. 4673.
- [Cd. 5465-67.] Turkey : Trade of the Consular District of Adrianople for 1910. No. 4674.
- [Cd. 5465-68.] France : Trade of the Consular District of Calais for 1910. No. 4675.
- [Cd. 5465-69.] Corea : Trade of Corea for 1910. No. 4676.
- [Cd. 5465-70.] Roumania : Trade, Commerce, and Agriculture of Roumania for 1910. No. 4677.
- [Cd. 5465-71.] China : Trade of Chungking for 1910. No. 4678.
- [Cd. 5465-73.] France : Trade of the Consular District of Rouen for 1910. No. 4680.
- [Cd. 5465-74.] China : Trade of Wuhu for 1910. No. 4681.
- [Cd. 5465-75.] China : Trade of Kiaochow for 1910. No. 4682.
- [Cd. 5465-77.] Portugal : Trade, Commerce, and Navigation of Chinde for 1910. No. 4684.
- [Cd. 5465-78.] Brazil : Trade of the Consular District of Pernambuco for 1910. No. 4685.
- [Cd. 5465-79.] Brazil : Trade of the Consular District of Rio De Janeiro for 1910 and Part of 1911. No. 4686.
- Colonial Reports (Annual) —
- [Cd. 5467-13.] Basutoland : Report for 1909-1910. No. 677.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

- Sess. Numb.
- [Cd. 5439.] Church of England and other Religious Bodies in Wales and Monmouthshire (Royal Commission on) — Volume VIII. Index to the Minutes of Evidence.
- [Cd. 5544.] Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices) — Return of the Number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland, under section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887, during the Quarter ending the 31st day of December 1910.
- [Cd. 5596.] Army — Report on the Discipline and Management of the Military Detention Barracks and Military Prisons, 1910.
- [Cd. 5670.] Education (Ireland) — Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5676.] Mines and Quarries — Reports of W. Walker, His Majesty's Inspector of Mines for the Scotland District (No. 1), under the Coal Mines Regulation Acts, 1887 to 1908, the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Acts, 1872 and 1875, and the Quarries Act, 1894, for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5671-I.] Ditto — Reports of J. B. Atkinson, His Majesty's Inspector of Mines for the Newcastle District (No. 2), for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5676-II.] Ditto — Reports of A. D. Nicholson, His Majesty's Inspector of Mines for the Durham District (No. 3), for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5676.-v.] Ditto — Reports of Thomas H. Mottram, His Majesty's Inspector of Mines for the Liverpool and North Wales District (No. 6), for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5676-vi.] Ditto — Report of Dr. W. N. Atkinson, His Majesty's Inspector of Mines for the South Wales District (No. 7), for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5680.] Swine Fever — Interim Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to inquire into Swine Fever; with Minutes of Evidence, Index, and Appendix. Part II. Minutes of Evidence, Index, and Appendix.
- [Cd. 5684.] Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland — Banking and Railway Statistics, Ireland. (December, 1910.)
- [Cd. 5685.] Explosives Act, 1875 — Thirty-fifth Annual Report of His Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives, 1910.
- [Cd. 5688.] Railway Accidents — Summary of Accidents and Casualties reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the Three months ending 31st December 1910, in pursuance of the Regulation of Railways Act, 1871; together with Reports to the Board of Trade by the Inspecting Officers, Assistant Inspecting Officers, and Sub-Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department, upon certain accidents which were inquired into.

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

- Sess. Numb.
- [Cd. 5693.] Factories and Workshops — Annual Report of the Chief Inspector for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5697.] Fishery Board for Scotland — Twenty-ninth Annual Report, being for the Year 1910.
- [Cd. 5698.] Evictions (Ireland) — Return of the Number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary, and also of the Number of Tenancies determined in the Quarter ended 31st March 1911.
- [Cd. 5702.] Explosion of a Store at Swadlincote — Report on the circumstances attending the Explosion of a “Store” belonging to the Granville Colliery Company, Limited, at Swadlincote, in the County of Derby, which occurred on 24th March 1911, by Major A. Cooper-Key, His Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Explosives. No. CXCVIII.
- [Cd. 5703.] National Insurance Bill — (Part II. Unemployment.) Tables showing the Rules and Expenditure of Trade Unions in respect of Unemployed Benefits and also showing Earnings in the Insured Trades.
- [Cd. 5704.] Board of Education — Reports on the Geological Survey, the Geological Museum in Jermyn Street, the Science Museum at South Kensington, and the Work of the Solar Physics Committee.
- [Cd. 5705.] Census of England and Wales, 1911 — Preliminary Report with Tables of the Population enumerated in England and Wales (Administrative Registration and Parliamentary Areas), and in Scotland, Ireland, the Isle of Man, and the Channel Islands on 3rd April 1911.
- [Cd. 5706.] Aeronautics — Report of the Advisory Committee for Aeronautics for the Year 1910–1911.
- [Cd. 5711.] National Gallery, &c. Scotland — Fourth Report by the Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland as to their Proceedings in regard to the Galleries, &c. under their Charge for the Year from 1st April 1910 to 31st March 1911.
- [Cd. 5712.] Congested Districts Board for Ireland — Nineteenth Report of Proceedings under the Congested Districts Board (Ireland) Acts, 1891–1909, for the period 1st April 1909, to the 31st March 1911, with Audited Accounts to the 31st March 1910.
- [Cd. 5713.] Mines and Quarries — Report on an Outbreak of Glanders among the Horses, and the alleged General Insanitary Condition of the Collieries, belonging to the Ebbw Vale Steel, Iron and Coal Company, Limited, in the County of Monmouth by Joseph S. Martin, I.S.O., late Inspector of Mines for the Southern District, and D. Rocyn Jones, M.B., D.P.H., County Medical Officer for Monmouthshire,

HOUSE OF LORDS PRINTED PAPERS — *continued.*

- Sess. Numb.
[Cd. 5725.] Board of Education — Minute, dated 13th June 1911, modifying the Regulations for Public Elementary Schools, 1909, in England and Wales, as already modified by the Minute, dated 25th June 1910.
- [Cd. 5726.] Ditto — Further Papers relating to the Registration of Teachers and the proposed Registration Council. (In continuation of [Cd. 4185.] and [Cd. 4402.])

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS,

delivered 3rd June.

- Sess. Numb.
[196.] Bill — Infanticide.

7th June.

- [241.] Bill — Cotton Factories (Fines) (Abolition).
[243.] — Employment of Children Act (1903) Amendment [H.L.]

12th June.

- [249.] Bill — Hypothec Abolition (Scotland).
[250.] — Dublin Parliamentary Revising.
[251.] — Merchant Shipping (Stevedores and Trimmers) (No. 2.)
[185.] Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1911–1912 (Vote on Account).

15th June.

- [203.] Bill — University of Wales (No. 2.)
[239.] — Ecclesiastical Law Amendment.
[255.] — Naval Prize.
[256.] — Second Peace Conference (Conventions).

16th June.

- [240.] Bill — Education of the Blind.
[257.] — Consolidated Fund (No. 2.)

HOUSE OF COMMONS PRINTED PAPERS—*continued.*

17th June.

Sess. Numb.

- [242.] Bill — Holidays.
[258.] — Old Age Pensions (No. 3.)

20th June.

- [254.] Bill — Superannuation (Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Queen Anne's Bounty).
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House of Lords.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Die Martis, 27° Junii 1911.

PRAYERS.

1. Attorney-General (at the relation of Mayor, &c. of Tamworth and others) *v.* Birmingham, Tame and Rea District Drainage Board — Further heard, and adjourned to *Monday* next.
2. De Beers Consolidated Mines, Limited *v.* British South Africa Company — To be heard on *Monday* next.
3. **Macclesfield and District
Railless Traction and
Electricity Supply Bill** { Report from the Select Committee
[H.L.], that the Promoters do not intend
to proceed further with the Bill:
Ordered that the Bill be not
further proceeded with.

House adjourned at ten minutes before Three o'clock, till To-morrow,
half-past Ten o'clock.

HENRY GRAHAM,
Cler. Parliamentor.

C A U S E S.

Wednesday the 28th of June.

Thames and Mersey Marine Insurance Company, Limited <i>v.</i> "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,	}	} Consideration.
Southern Marine Mutual Insurance Association, Limited <i>v.</i> "Gunford" Ship Company, Limited, and another,	}	

Thursday the 29th of June.

Ross and others <i>v.</i> Ross,	-	- Consideration.
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Monday the 3rd of July.

Attorney-General (at the relation of Mayor, &c. of Tam- worth and others) <i>v.</i> Birmingham, Tame and Rea District Drainage Board),	}	} Further Hearing.
De Beers Consolidated Mines, Limited <i>v.</i> British South Africa Company,	}	

Friday the 14th of July.

Harris and another <i>v.</i> Earl of Chesterfield and another, Johnston and others <i>v.</i> O'Neill and others,	}	} Consideration.
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NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

for Monday the 3rd of July.

At a quarter past Four o'clock.

London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill,	}	Second Reading.
Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill,		
Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer) Bill,	}	(Amendments),
London County Council (General Powers) Bill,		
Great Northern Railway Bill, (Amendments to be proposed),		
		Third Reading.

At half-past Four o'clock.

National Gallery and St. James's Park Bill [H.L.] [THE EARL BEAUCHAMP],	}	Third Reading.
Parliament Bill [THE LORD PRESIDENT (<i>V. Morley of Blackburn</i>)],		
		House to be again in Committee.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES.

Wednesday the 5th of July.

Thrift and Credit Societies Bill [H.L.] }
 [The Earl of Shaftesbury], } Second Reading.

(No day named.)

For Notice of the Earl Nelson, *see* page 808.

The Lord Stanmore — To move for copies of any further correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of Fiji on the subject of the Tenure and Alienation of Native Lands in that Colony, in continuation of the papers presented to Parliament in the year 1908.

The Lord Stewart of Garlies (*E. Galloway*) — To call attention to the working of the Agricultural Holdings Act of Scotland, 1908, and the incitement it has given to tenants to make outrageous claims on their landlords, and for which a brother agricultural tenant can be, and has been, appointed sole arbiter, whilst against his arbitration there is no appeal.

Reference to the People Bill [H.L.] }
 [The Lord Balfour], } Adjourned Debate on the motion
 for the Second Reading.

The Lord Wynford — To ask the Secretary of State for India whether it is a fact that on 1st April last, in the High Court at Calcutta, before the Chief Justice, 18 men who pleaded guilty to the charges of being members of a gang of dacoits, and of having committed a series of dacoities in the district of Khulna, were released on the suggestion of the Advocate-General, acting under instructions from the Government, and suffered no further penalty than being bound over to keep the peace; and, if so, what were the reasons for this decision, which has caused profound uneasiness in Bengal.

The Duke of Northumberland — To call attention to the recent correspondence between the Trustees of the British Museum and the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Works with regard to the proposal of the Government to curtail the land allotted to the National History Museum at South Kensington.

The Duke of Bedford —

1. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the 12,369 drafts mentioned by the Secretary of State for War on the 4th May 1911 as the number of men returning home from abroad during the last trooping season on completion of their term of color service are included in the 120,791 men who compose the estimated strength of the Regular Reserve on the 1st October 1911, according to the Return of the 31st March 1909.

BILLS APPOINTED AND NOTICES — *continued.*

(*No day named*) — continued.

2. To call attention —

1st. To the statement of the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, that “he had reduced the number of the Regular Army by 20,000 men, no more and no less.”

2nd. To the Return of the 27th April 1911, in which the total reduction in the numbers of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men of the Regular Army serving with the colors in 1911 as compared with the numbers of Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors in 1905 is shown to be 32,706.

3rd. To the fact that by the Return of 27th April 1911, the Regular establishment of the Special Reserve was included in the total number of the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors, whereas the Permanent Staff of the Militia in 1905 numbering 4,242 Non-Commissioned Officers and men belonging to the Regular Army was excluded.

3. To ask the Secretary of State for War if the total reduction in the Non-Commissioned Officers and men serving with the colors since 1905 is 36,948 as stated in the Return of the 27th April last, or is 20,000, no more and no less, as stated by the Secretary of State for War on 15th March 1911, the difference being 16,948 Non-Commissioned Officers and men.

4. To call attention to the deficiency of Regular Infantry Officers to meet the requirements of the Expeditionary Force on mobilization; and to move for papers.

The Lord Muskerry — To call the attention of His Majesty's Government to the extraordinary disabilities under which merchant seafarers labour in respect (1) to detention ashore and resulting enforced unemployment for the purpose of giving evidence at Board of Trade Inquiries into shipping casualties in which they may in no way be involved; (2) to detention ashore and loss of employment when summoned to serve on juries; and (3) to loss of employment caused by their compulsory detention when subpoenaed to give evidence at police court and assize trials dealing with criminal offences on British merchant vessels; and to ask, whether His Majesty's Government will now give serious consideration to these grave hardships with a view to taking the necessary steps for either furnishing special relief to merchant seamen in these several cases or otherwise ensuring that in those cases where this is found impossible, some adequate compensation for great loss sustained in the public interest will be payable to those concerned.

The Lord Monk Bretton — To ask His Majesty's Government whether the opinions of the Law Officers of the Crown on questions relating to the Asylums Officers Superannuation Act, 1909, and submitted to them last Autumn, will be made public during the present Session of Parliament.

 BILLS IN PROGRESS.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3.),	}	Referred to the Examiners.
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4.), Local Government (Ireland) Pro- visional Orders (No. 3.), Local Government Provisional Orders (Gas), Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) (No. 2.), London County Council (Money), Belfast Corporation, Halifax Corporation, Thames Conservancy,		
Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rates Collection (Scotland) [H.L.], Maritime Conventions [H.L.], Railway Traffic Consolidation and Amendment [H.L.], Public Libraries (Ireland), Bristol Tramways,	}	Waiting for Second Reading.
Sales for Agricultural Purposes [H.L.], Small Ownership and National Land Bank [H.L.], Purchase of Land (England and Wales) [H.L.],		
House of Lords Reconstitution [H.L.], Small Holdings and Allotments [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) [H.L.], Education (School Attendance) (No. 2.) [H.L.], Small Holdings (Tenants Acquisi- tion) [H.L.], Professional Accountants [H.L.], Rights of Way [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Committee.
County Courts [H.L.],		
East Kent Electric Power [H.L.],	}	Waiting for Committee (on Re- commitment).
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BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS),	}	Committed.
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDER),		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 2.) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS),		
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDER),		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4.) [H.L.] — (UNOPPOSED ORDERS),		
Paddington Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],		
Poplar Borough Council (Super- annuation and Pensions) [H.L.],		
Kingston-upon-Thames Bridge, Ipswich Corporation, Chasetown Gas,		
Woking Urban District Council (Basingstoke Canal),		
Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 4.) [H.L.] — (Busby and District Gas Order, Preston Gas Order, and Uxbridge Gas Order),		
Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.) [H.L.] — (Macclesfield and Pateley Bridge Orders),		
Luton Corporation, Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) [H.L.], Dunfermline Burgh Extension and Drainage,	}	Waiting for Report.
Trustee (Bodies Corporate) [H.L.], Lunacy [H.L.], Chambers Institution Peebles Order Confirmation [H.L.], Inverness Harbour Order Confirma- tion, Dumbarton Churchyard Order Con- firmation, North British Railway (Superannu- ation Fund, &c.) Order Con- firmation [H.L.], Rhondda Urban District Council, [H.L.], Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) [H.L.], Marple Urban District Council Gas, Northampton Corporation, Hornsea Urban District Council,		
(Amend- ments),		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Moveable Dwellings [H.L.],	}	Sent to the Commons.
Employment of Children Act (1903)		
Amendment [H.L.],		
Municipal Elections [H.L.],		
Parsonages [H.L.],		
Poultry [H.L.],		
Board of Education Scheme (Alnwick Corporation Payment) Confirmation [H.L.],		
Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Durham, &c.) [H.L.],		
Handsworth Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Ashborne and District Gas [H.L.],		
Sidmouth Gas and Electricity [H.L.],		
Oystermouth Urban District Council [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Radcliffe Rectory [H.L.],		
Saint Mary Prestwich Rectory [H.L.],		
Winchester Corporation (Electric Supply) [H.L.],		
Rochdale Market [H.L.],		
Barry Railway [H.L.],		
Lloyds [H.L.],		
Star Life Assurance Society [H.L.],		
City of London (Various Powers) [H.L.],		
Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway [H.L.],		
Great Western Railway [H.L.],		
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway [H.L.],		
North-Eastern Railway [H.L.],		
London and South-Western Railway [H.L.],		
Chester Water [H.L.],		
Penllwyn Railway [H.L.],		
Swansea Gas [H.L.],		
Middlesbrough, Stockton - on - Tees, and Thornaby Tramways [H.L.],		
Great Yarmouth Port and Haven [H.L.],		
Midland Railway [H.L.],		
Manchester Ship Canal [H.L.],		
Kingston - upon - Hull Corporation [H.L.],		
London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway [H.L.],		
Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) [H.L.],		
Brighton, Hove and District Railless Traction [H.L.],		

BILLS IN PROGRESS — *continued.*

Chapel, Whaley and District Gas [H.L.], Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries [H.L.], Thorney Drainage [H.L.], Aberdare Urban District Council [H.L.], Manchester Corporation [H.L.], Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water [H.L.],	} Sent to the Commons.
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Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways, South Lancashire Tramways, Paignton Urban District Council, Southampton Harbour,	} Returned to the Commons amended.
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 COMMITTEES.

Friday the 30th of June.

Joint Committee on the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 and 1894, } { Half-past
Eleven o'clock.

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* These Bills will not be considered on the first day of meeting of the Committee.

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Clause 1, page 2, line 11, after (" them ") *moved* to insert (" but if, in the opinion of
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