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Legislative Council

TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 1899

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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The PRESIDENT took the chair at half-past 3 o'clock.

APPROPRIATION BILL, No. 2.

Assent.

The PRESIDENT announced the receipt of a message from the Administrator of the Government intimating that the Royal assent had been given to this Bill by His Excellency the Governor on the 28th September last.

RESULT OF THE REFERENDUM VOTE. Message from the Administrator.

The PRESIDENT announced the receipt of a message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, forwarding the result of the referendum vote taken under the provisions of the Australasian Federation Enabling Act. [Vide page 205, proceedings of the Legislative Assembly.]

PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.

The PRESIDENT: I have to report that the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech, as agreed to by this Council on the 20th ultimo, has been presented to the Governor, and that His Excellency has been pleased to make the following reply :-

"MR. PRESIDENT AND HONOURABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-

"I receive with satisfaction your expressions of continued loyalty to the Throne and Person of Our Most Gracious Sovereign.

"I thank you for your assurance that you will give careful attention and consideration to all matters that may be brought before you, and I have every confidence that your deliberations will tend to promote advancement and prosperity to this portion of Her Majesty's empire.

"LAMINGTON, "Governor.

"21st September, 1899,"

JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY.

The PRESIDENT reported that he had received a message from the Assembly intimating that Messrs. G. Jackson and W. Kent had been discharged from service on the Joint Library Committee, and that Messrs. A. Fisher and W. B. H. O'Connell had been appointed members of the committee.

SUPREME COURT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—REGISTRATION OF DEEDS BILL—LOCAL WORKS LOANS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—ABORIGINALS PROTECTION AND RESTRICTION OF THE SALE OF OPIUM BILL.

FIRST READINGS.

These Bills, received by message from the Assembly, were read a first time, and their second readings made Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL made statement to the effect that whereas His Excellency the Governor, the Right Honour-able Charles Wallace Alexander Napier, Baron Lamington, did, on the second day of October instant, depart from the colony of Queensland, and there being no Lieutenant-Governor of the said colony, Sir Samuel Walker Griffith, by virtue of a dormant commission which appointed the Chief Justice for the time being to administer the Government of the said colony, proclaimed that he had, this third day of October, taken the prescribed oaths and had assumed the office of Administrator.

PAPERS.

The following papers, laid on the table of the House, were ordered to be printed :---

Statement of returning officer showing result of poll under the Australasian Federa-tion Enabling Act (Queensland), 1899.

Correspondence respecting future adminis-tration of British New Guinea.

- Thirteeenth annual report of the Registrar of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks.
- Return of approved applications for agricul-tural and grazing farms and grazing homesteads under the Crown Lands Acts, 1884 to 1885.
- Report of the Post and Telegraph Depart-ment of Queensland for 1898.
- Agreement for conveyance of mails between Sydney and Vancouver, calling at Brisbane.

- Vital Statistics, 1898. Report of the Government Resident at Thursday Island for 1898. Report of the Commandant of Queensland
- Military Forces for 1898-99.

The Council adjourned at twelve minutes to 4 o'clock.