**ANIMALS AND BIRDS PROTECTION BILL 1919**

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Second reading

At 2-45 p.m. the sitting of the House was suspended, and the managers on behalf of the Legislative Council proceeded to the Conference with the House of Assembly on the Animals and Birds Protection Bill. At 3-56 p.m. the managers returned.

The CHIEF SECRETARY—The recommendations made by the Conference are as follows :—

As to amendments Nos. 2 and 11, that the Legislative Council do further insist and that the Assembly do not further insist on its disagreement; as to Nos. 6 and 7, that the Council do not further insist, but make the following alternative amendment in line 8 on page 6 :—After “ Possession ” insert “ for the purpose of shooting at any animals or birds ” ; also leave out all the words of paragraph (*g)* after “ 10 ” in line 9 of page 6, and insert “ provided that during the period of five years next following the date of the passing of this Act the holder of a game licence may for such purpose use any gun the bore of which is not greater than 8 ; as to amendments Nos. 8 and 9, that the Council do not further insist.

I think that the Conference has come to a very fair agreement. In regard to the question of the bore of a gun which may be used, No. 8 is to be employed only for a period of five years. This will mean that no more No. 8 bores will be brought into the country, while those who already have such weapons will work out their usefulness in the period referred to. I move—

That the recommendations be agreed to.

The Hon. J. JELLEY—I think the Chief Secretary had something else to report which he has probably over looked—power to curtail the privileges of the aborigines.

The CHIEF SECRETARY—That is provided for in the agreement that the Council do not further insist upon certain of its amendments.

The Hon. F. S. WALLIS-—In regard to the words “ not greater than 8 ” which appears in the recommendations submitted by the Chief Secretary, I. would point out that the word “ not ” does not appear in the clause of the Bill dealing with the subject which was before us last session.

The Hon. W. G. DUNCAN—I suggest that these recommendations be taken into consideration on the next day of sitting, so that we may have the opportunity to examine the effect of them.

The Hon. T. PASCOE—I agree with the suggestion of my colleague.

The CHIEF SECRETARY moved—

That the Council resolve itself into a Committee for the consideration of the recommendations.

Motion carried:

In Committee.

The CHIEF SECRETARY—To give members an opportunity to properly digest the recommendations of the Conference, I move that the Committee do now resume, so that in the interim members will be able to gain a clear idea of what has been done in Conference.

Motion carried; Committee to sit again on August 26.