amendment I proposed to move is the word 'unnecessarily'. It was in my amendment. However, I see that the inclusion of that word may bring about some difficulty, as one person may be obstructive.

The Hon. C. D. ROWE: Do you mean one member of the commission?

The Hon. F. J. POTTER: Yes. So long as this amendment was repeated, it was announced that I think it should be given. The difficulty will be overcome. I move to insert the following new paragraph:

(4) By inserting at the end thereof the following subsection:

(3) The commission, before recommending that the area of the State in relation to which a consolidation commission should have jurisdiction to make orders and awards shall pass beyond the metropolitan area, shall determine whether the general interests of the community and of the employers and employees engaged in the process, trade, business or undertaking in the area concerned will be best and most conveniently served by so extending such jurisdiction, and in making its recommendation shall give effect to such determination.

In other words, inquiries will be made by the commission. All I am seeking to avoid is the 'sudden death' of an award to the country without some consideration being given to the interests of country people.

New paragraph inserted; clause as amended passed.

Clause 159 to 166 passed.

New clause 168a.—'Working hours for females and young persons.'

The Hon. A. F. KNEBBE MOVE to insert the following new clause:

'In any case the principal Act is amended by striking out the words "or determination" therein.'

New clause inserted.

New clause 168b.—'Powers of inspectors.'

The Hon. A. F. KNEBBE MOVE to insert the following new clause:

'Section 279 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the passage "award or order of the court", or a determination of a court", therein and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "award or order of the commission or a consolidation commission", therein.'

New clause inserted.

New clause 168c.—'Duty of inspectors.'

The Hon. A. F. KNEBBE MOVE to insert the following new clause:

'Section 333 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the words "and orders of the commission and of the consolidation committees", and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and orders of the commission", therein.'

BRANDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Received from the House of Assembly and read a first time.

The Hon. S. G. BEVAN (Minister of Law and Government): I move:

'That this Bill be now read a second time.

This Bill is consequential on the repeal of the Travelling Stock Whaybills Act effected by the State Law Revision Act of last year. Honourable members will recall that when the State Law Revision Bill was introduced the Minister stated that, as a matter of necessary precaution for detecting any stealing of stock, the Commissioner of Police proposed the introduction of a new stock movement form to be completed by police officers whenever stock was observed on the move. Inquiries would then be made at the places of departure and destination of the stock. Accordingly, this Bill confers on police officers the power to stop and search vehicles conveying stock, to stop stock driven on the road and to question relating to the place of departure, the route and the destination of the stock.

Clause 3 inserts three new subsections in section 59 of the principal Act. New subsection (1a) enables the inspector or a member of the Police Force to requisition the driver of any vehicle that is carrying stock to stop his vehicle or to request any person driving any stock to stop the stock, to ask questions for the purpose of their inspection, and to require the address of the driver or the owner of the stock and the place of departure, route and destination of the stock. Also, he may, with assistance if necessary, search any such vehicle and examine and take possession of any such pig. The new subsection (1b) provides for a penalty of $100 if a person fails to comply with a requisition made to him under subsection (1a) or to truly answer any question put to him under that subsection. New subsection (2) extends the scope of section 59, as amended by this Bill, to pigs so that the powers conferred by the section may be used in the detection of any stealing of pigs.

The Hon. Sir LYELL McEWEN (Leader of the Opposition): I support the Bill. Earlier in this session the Travelling Stock Whaybills Act was repealed. Travelling Stock Whaybills were ineffective. It caused much irritating form-filling by people who conveyed stock, and it served no real purpose. It seems to me that the only proof in this Bill has been moved to the person conveying stock. He must prove that the stock carried was not stolen. Under the Travelling Stock Whaybills Act it would appear that if a person had a farm correctly filled it out and was on the shoulders of police to prove that the stock was not stolen. I think the proposal in the Bill is a very good move. It will give the police adequate powers and remove the friction-causing job of filling in forms, particularly by carriers who have to move stock. I give the Bill my wholehearted support.

Bill read a second time and taken through its remaining stages.