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## A BILL

To sanction the construction of a building to accommodate the Department of Agriculture ; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

[MR. GRIFFITH ;— , 1914.]

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**W**HEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Preamble. the Public Works Act, 1912, the Legislative Assembly did by resolution declare that it was expedient to carry out a certain work, namely, the construction of  
5 a building for the accommodation of the Department of Agriculture : And whereas, on the passing of the said resolution, a statutory duty was by the said Act imposed upon the Secretary for Public Works to introduce a Bill into the said Assembly to sanction the carrying

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carrying out of the said work : Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority 5 of the same, as follows :—

Short title.

**1.** This Act may be cited as the " Department of Agriculture Building Act, 1914."

Work sanctioned.

**2.** The carrying out of the work (more particularly described in the Schedule to this Act) is hereby 10 sanctioned, and the Secretary for Public Works, or the member of the Executive Council for the time being performing the duties of the said Secretary, is hereby authorised to undertake and carry out the said work, subject to the provisions of this Act, and for 15 that purpose shall be and have the powers of a Constructing Authority within the meaning of the Public Works Act, 1912.

The plan.

**3.** The plan of the said works is the plan marked " Department of Agriculture," signed by the Secretary 20 for Public Works, and countersigned by the Government Architect, and deposited in the public office of the said Secretary.

Cost, and how to be defrayed.

**4.** The cost of carrying out the said work, estimated at eighty-four thousand pounds (exclusive of land 25 resumptions), may be defrayed from such loan votes as are now, or may hereafter be, applicable to the purpose, or from appropriations of the Public Works Fund, or partly from such votes and partly from such appropriations, and shall not under any circumstances 30 exceed the estimated cost by more than ten per centum.

SCHEDULE.

THE proposed new offices for the Department of Agriculture will occupy the site immediately to the south of the offices for the Department of Public Instruction, and will present fronts to Loftus, Raphael, and 35 Young Streets.

It will consist of seven stories, and will have reinforced concrete floors, supported where necessary on steel stanchions and girders encased in concrete.

The elevation to the three streets above named will be in stone, but 40 the walls generally will be of brick in cement.

The roof will be flat.