

ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Friday, the 31st day of August, 1877.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Major RICHMOND, C.B., to move, That the following Standing Order be adopted by the Council :—It shall be the duty of the Speaker to take care that, on the third reading of all Bills initiated in the Legislative Council, any provisions which may appear to him to infringe upon the privileges of the House of Representatives be marked, and the provisions so marked shall be printed in erasure type, and shall not be held to form part of the Bill as forwarded to the House of Representatives.
2. The Honourable Mr. HOLMES to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of the Council, showing the tonnage dues, wharfage rates, and port charges of whatever kind, levied on ships, merchandise, and other imports and exports, at the several ports of New Zealand.
3. The Honourable Mr. MENZIES to move, For leave of absence for the Honourable Mr. Menzies for a fortnight, from the 4th of September next, on urgent private business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Wellington College Act 1872 Amendment Bill—second reading.
2. Kaiapoi Native Reserves Bill—third reading.
3. Lyttelton Public Domain Bill—to be committed.
4. Auckland Highway Districts Validation Bill—consideration of the following reasons assigned by the House of Representatives for disagreeing to the amendments of the Legislative Council :—

They object to part of the alterations made by the Legislative Council in the clause No. 3, inasmuch as the said Highway Boards Empowering Act, 1871, is restricted by this new clause in its operation to certain districts only, while it is necessary that the said Act should be extended to all the Highway Districts now existing in the Provincial District of Auckland.

5. Destitute Persons Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. MENZIES, in Committee on the Destitute Persons Bill, to move the following amendment :—

To add to clause 7.

If it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Court that the case is one of seduction, the Resident Magistrate shall order the putative father to pay into Court such reasonable sum of money, taking all the circumstances of the case into consideration, as he shall determine, to be paid over to the Public Trustee in trust as a fund for the maintenance of the child, and for the benefit of the mother ; a part or the whole of which to be payable to her contingently on her good conduct, in such manner as the Public Trustee shall think fit.

6. Adjourned Debate upon the Question, That the Telegram from the Mayor of Invercargill to the Honourable the Speaker, together with a statement of the number of ratepayers upon the roll for the Municipality of Invercargill, be forthwith printed for the information of honourable members.

Tuesday, the 4th day of September, 1877.

1. The Honourable Mr. LAHMANN to ask the Honourable the Colonial Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a Bill dealing with Lotteries and Art Unions ?
2. The Honourable Mr. MANTSELL to ask the Honourable the Colonial Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, any Bill to amend "The Weights and Measures Act, 1868," and to extend the provisions of that Act so as to provide for the inspection of gas meters ?