ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Friday, the 2nd day of July, 1880.

QUESTION.

1. The Honourable Colonel WHITMORE to ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Whether the Government propose to take any further steps in connection with the alleged misconduct of the Volunteers at Christchurch and elsewhere, on the occasion of the Easter Review?

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Mr. TAIAROA to move, That, in the opinion of this Council, the action of the Government in draining Lake Ellesmere (Waihora), and thereby interfering most seriously with the fishing rights enjoyed by the Natives residing in the neighbourhood, which rights have ever been jealously guarded by themselves and their ancestors, is unjust towards the Natives; and such drainage ought not to be allowed to proceed, either now or hereafter, without fair compensation being awarded them.

2. The Honourable Colonel Whitmore to move, That there be laid upon the Table a Return showing the entire expenditure of borrowed money during each of the financial years from the 1st July, 1870, to 30th June, 1879; together with the gross amount of revenue, arising from both Land Fund and payments into the Consolidated Fund, during each of the years within the same period. Also the amount actually spent of the Five-million Loan up to 30th June last past.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

- 1. Native Lands Court Bill—to be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Native Succession Bill—to be committed.
- 3. Native Lands Frauds Prevention Bill—to be committed.
- 4. Thames Water Supply Transfer Bill—second reading.
- 5. Fencing Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Menzies to move, The following addition to the Schedule:—

18. A wire fence, having not less than five wires, the lowest to be not more than six inches from the ground, the second not more than six inches from the first, the third not more than six inches from the second, the fourth not more than nine inches from the third, the top wire to be double-twisted barbed wire, not more than twelve inches above the fourth wire; all to be properly strained, and passed through or firmly stapled to the posts; the posts to be of durable wood, placed firmly in the ground, not more than eight feet apart; the straining posts to be not less than eight inches in conjugate diameter, to be sunk not less than three feet in the ground, and properly strutted.

6. Dog Registration Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Wilson, on the recommittal of the Dog Registration Bill, to move the following:—

That clause 13 be amended by inserting after the word "dogs," in the first line, the words "not being in charge of any person, and being."

7. Deceased Wife's Sister Marriage Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

8. Wellington Racing Club Bill—third reading.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Wilson, on the Motion for the third reading of the Wellington Racing Club Bill, to move, That the Bill be recommitted with a view to the following amendments:-

In clause 2, line 5 of page 3. After the word "Club," insert the

words "for the purpose of a public park and racecourse."

In clause 4, line 1. After the word "maintain," insert the words "the lands comprised in the Schedule as a public park and." Erase the words "a public," in lines 1 and 2.

In clause 19, line 2. Erase the word "racing purposes" and insert

the words "the purposes named in this Act."

New Clause.

The public shall have access, without charge, to the lands comprised in the Schedules to this Act, excepting on such days as the Racing Club shall appoint, not exceeding twenty days in any one year.

9. Rabbit Nuisance Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

Tuesday, the 6th day of July, 1880. QUESTIONS.

- 1. The Honourable Mr. Waterhouse to ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Whether the attention of the Government has been directed to the untrustworthy character of some of the informers employed by the police of the colony, as revealed by recent proceedings in the Resident Magistrate's Court in Wellington; and whether it is their intention to take any action thereon?
- 2. The Honourable Mr. Waterhouse to ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Whether the Government has received any communication calling attention to the expenditure of the funds of the New Plymouth Harbour Board, alleging that the proceedings of the Board are illegal, and calling upon the Government to interfere to protect the public interest; and, if any such communication has been received, what action the Government propose to take in the matter?

ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Deceased Husband's Brother Marriage Bill—second reading.

Thursday, the 8th day of July, 1880. NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Mr. P. A. BUCKLEY to move, That there laid upon the Table a Return of the names of all officers who have entered the Civil Service of the colony since the 8th day of October, 1866, who, at the date of admission to such service, were more than twenty years of age; the date of each admission; the ages and salaries at such date of admission; and the present salary of every such officer. Also the number of special appointments made by His Excellency the Governor under the provisions of section 16 of "The Civil Service Act, 1866," and the number of such appointments that have been confirmed in terms of section 17 of the said Act.

PETITIONS, PAPERS, AND REPORTS.

THURSDAY, 1ST JULY, 1880.

PETITION.

7. Of 92 Residents in Invercargill, praying that the Education Act may be amended in the direction of religion and liberty. (Hon. Mr. Menzies.)

PAPER.

77. Native: Papers connected with the recent Dismissal from his Office of the Chief Major Keepa Rangihiwinui. Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 2nd June, 1880. (Hon. Colonel Whitmore.)

SELECT COMMITTEES.

For Friday, the 2nd day of July, 1880.

Native Lands Committee, at 10.30 a.m., in No. 1 Committee room.

Bill for consideration,—

Native Reserves Bill.

Statutes Revision Committee (Joint), at 10.30 a.m., in No. 4 Committee room.

Joint Committee on Standing Orders on Private Bills, at 10.30 a.m., in No. 5 Committee room.