The Council meets at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday, the 20th Day of September, 1906.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

- 1. Firearms Bill—third reading. (Hon. Mr. Pitt.)
- 2. Fisheries Conservation Acts Amendment Bill—third reading. (Hon. Mr. Pitt.)
- 3. Horowhenua Block Act Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. Pitt.)
- 4. Payment of Jurors Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. Pitt.)
- 5. Municipal Corporations Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. Pitt.)
- 6. Fire Brigades Bill-second reading. (Hon. Mr. Pitt.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. George, in Committee, to move the following amendments:-

Clause 11: In line 29 of paragraph (a) to strike out all the words after the word "to" down to and inclusive of the word "property," for the purpose of inserting the words "one-seventh of the estimated annual expenditure." In line 34 of paragraph (b) to strike out the word "one-half" for the purpose of inserting the word "three-sevenths"; and in line 35, to strike out the word "one-half" for the purpose of inserting the word "three-sevenths."

Clause 13: New paragraph:—

(e.) All such returns, and all information obtained and all extracts made in order to verify such returns, shall be kept secret by the Board and every member thereof, and by every officer and person appointed thereby; and every person guilty of the non-observance of the secrecy hereby required shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine of not less than twenty pounds, and not exceeding fifty pounds, or to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for not more than three months.

To add the following new clause:-

Powers and duties of the Board.

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A. (1.) The Board may, if it thinks fit, establish and maintain a force of men charged with the duty of attending at fires and saving property, and it shall be the duty of every brigade, with the sanction of the Board and subject to the regulations, to afford the necessary assistance to that force in the performance of their duties, and, upon the application of any officer of that force, to hand over to their custody property that may be saved from fire.

(2.) No charge shall be made by the Board for the services thus

rendered during the progress of a fire.

- 7. Arbitration Act Amendment Bill—to be committed:
- 8. Regulation of Bellamy Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. Reeves.)
- 9. Napier Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute Empowering Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Ormond.)

10. Napier Hospital Site Extension Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Ormond.)