The Council meets at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday, the 23rd day of July, 1885.

QUESTION.

1. The Honourable Mr. Chamberlin to ask the Honourable the Colonial Secretary, If the Government will take into their serious consideration the advisability of using every effort to obtain from the English Government such advantageous terms for the importation into British ports of New Zealand's natural productions and manufactures as would enable New Zealand to compete with all other countries; and, if such terms can be obtained, that the Government will declare that New Zealand will be prepared to lower its tariff in favour of English natural productions and manufactures?

NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Dr. Pollen to move, That the Return No. 63, laid upon the Table of this Council on the 10th instant, showing the amount of fees collected under clause 29 of "The Licensing Act, 1881," during the years 1882, 1883, and 1884, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Administration Act 1879 Amendment Bill—third reading. (Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

2. Industrial Schools Act 1882 Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon.

Colonial Secretary.)

3. West Coast Settlement Reserves Act 1881 Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

4. School Committees Election Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. Barnicoat.) 5. Gaming and Lotteries Act 1881 Amendment Bill—to be committed. (Hon.

Dr. Pollen.)

Contingent Notices of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Pharazyn, in Committee, to move the addition of the following words to clause five: "or to any sweepstake, the total of which does not exceed five pounds, and the whole of which goes to the winner of the same."

The Honourable Dr. Pollen, in Committee, to move the following new clauses to follow clause 4:—

Person taking part in lottery

A. Every person who shall buy any ticket in any lottery, as defined by sections eighteen and nineteen of the said Act, or shall in exceeding £10. any way take any part therein as a member or otherwise thereof, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding ten pounds.

Person not excused from answering as

B. In any prosecution under sections eighteen and inneteen of the said Act, or section five of this Act, no person shall be excused a witness on ground of criminate himself; and so far as applicable, sections twenty-nine, thirty, and thirty-one of the said Act shall apply to prosecutions under sections eighteen and nineteen of said Act and section five of this Act.

Wednesday, the 29th day of July, 1885.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Bank of Issue Bill—adjourned debate upon the Question, That the Bill be now read the second time. (Hon. Mr. Bathgate.)