

The Council meets at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, the 26th Day of October, 1898.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Hon. Mr. PEACOCK to move, That it is detrimental to the best interest of the colony to any longer delay the consideration of the Bill introduced for the reform of the Legislative Council.
2. Hon. Mr. FELDWICK to move, That the Government be requested during the present session to introduce a measure indemnifying Licensing Benches and Justices of the Peace from any costs properly incurred by them in the performance of their duties.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Workers' Compensation for Accidents Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
2. Kauri-gum Industry Bill—to be further considered in Committee. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. WILLIAMS, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clause:—

A. On all kauri-gum entered for export there shall be levied a duty of *five per centum ad valorem*. The revenue derived from such duty as aforesaid shall be paid to the local authority of the district from whence the gum was obtained.

3. Separate Institutions Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. BONAR, in Committee, to move—

Clause 2, subsection (2). Strike out in line 17 the words "for one year or." In line 18 insert "First" between "the" and "election."

New Subsection.

(2A.) In each year, on the day on which the annual election is held, one-third part of the number of trustees elected by the contributors shall go out of office (but may nevertheless be re-elected), and the persons who shall go out of office shall be those longest in office without re-election; or, where two or more shall have been in office for the same length of time, then those who shall go out of office shall be determined by lot.

Clause 4, line 15. Strike out the word "annual."

4. Aid to Public Works and Land-settlement Acts Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
5. Wages Protection Bill—consideration of the following reasons assigned by the House of Representatives for disagreeing with the amendments of the Legislative Council :—
The Bill as amended provides for contracting-out. This is inimical to the employé, and would lead to abuses on the part of unscrupulous persons who would decline to employ any workman who refused to give a consent in writing to deductions being made from his wages for payment of insurance premiums, and that, perhaps, on a policy unfair in its incidence. That misrepresentations and abuses on the part of insurance agents have occurred, and the retention of subclause (2) of clause 3 is a necessary precautionary and preventive measure.
6. Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
7. Land Drainage Act Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
8. Mining Companies Act Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
9. Native Townships Act Amendment Bill. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
10. Pharmacy Bill—second reading.
11. Dairy Industry Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
12. Gaming and Lotteries Act Amendment Bill—to be further considered in Committee. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

New Clause under discussion.

C. If such offence is committed in the view of a constable or police-officer, he may, without warrant, arrest the persons committing the same, and every person so arrested shall be detained in custody until he can find bail or can be brought before the Court to be dealt with for such offence.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

- Hon. W. DOWNIE STEWART, in Committee, to move to insert the following words in clause 5, on page 2, after the word "therein": "on proof that such house, office, room, or other place was in fact so opened, kept, or used."
13. Young Persons Protection Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
 14. Tramways Act Amendment Bill—to be further considered in Committee. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
 15. Animals Protection Bill—to be further considered in Committee. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Contingent Notices of Motion.

Hon. Mr. W. C. WALKER, in Committee, to move the following amendments in clause 58 :—

Line 23. After the word "bird" insert "animal, or reptile."

Line 24. After the word "colony" insert "or the eggs of any such bird or reptile."

Hon. Mr. FELDWICK, in Committee, to move to strike out clause 31 as amended, with a view to substitute the following new clause in lieu thereof :—

When animals or birds may be killed.
Section 22, "Animals Protection Act, 1880," unaltered.

A. No person shall sell or offer for sale, or buy or offer to buy, any game or native game except during the periods within which it shall be lawful to take or kill game or native game, as the case may be, or, as respects any game, within the period of *seven* days after the close of the game season as fixed by this Act. Any person offending against the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *five* pounds.

Hon. Mr. RIGG, in Committee, to move the following new clause :—

B. The holder of a license shall be entitled during the season, as defined by section three of the Act, at any time during daylight, to enter on any private or other land for the purpose of killing and taking game or native game, and shall be liable only for any actual damage which may be occasioned by such entry.

Hon. W. DOWNIE STEWART, in Committee, to move the following new clause:—

C. Any person in *bona fide* occupation of land may at any time, without any license or other authority, take or kill, as his own property, any game or native game trespassing or being on such land.

Hon. Mr. ARKWRIGHT to move, That, on the Bill being reported from the Committee of the Whole, the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of adding the following proviso to clause 3:—

Provided also that it shall be lawful for any person to kill hares at any time of the year on land in his own occupation.

Hon. Mr. BOLT to move, That, on the Bill being reported from the Committee of the Whole, the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of reconsidering clause 10.

16. Legislative Council Reform Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Dr. GRACE, on the second reading of the Legislative Council Reform Bill, to move, That any radical alteration in the constitution of this Council should proceed on the principle of popular election by large electorates.

17. Adjourned debate upon the Question, That the recommendation of the Native Affairs Committee upon the petition of Henare Tomoana be agreed to, and that a copy of the report of the Committee on the said petition be forwarded to the Government.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. McCULLOUGH to move the following words as an addition to the motion of the Hon. Mr. Williams: "But the Council does not indorse the expression of opinion as to the rightful successors to the interests in question in the Karamu Block."

PETITIONS, PAPERS, AND REPORTS.

TUESDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 1898.

PETITION.

16. Of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Auckland, that the Council will not pass the Tramways Act Amendment Bill without affording the petitioners an opportunity of giving evidence thereon. (Hon. Mr. McCullough.)

PAPERS.

128. "Native Land Court Act, 1894": Order made by the Native Land Court in respect of the Land known as Wharepu No. 1 Block. (In pursuance of section 14 of the said Act.)

129. Lands proposed to be permanently reserved as Endowments for Primary Education, Schedule of. (In pursuance of section 238 of "The Land Act, 1892.") (See *Gazette*, 1898, pages 961, 1503, 1504, and 1660.)

130. Land: Reserve in the Nelson Land District, Notice of Intention to define the Purpose of a. (In pursuance of section 7 of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881.") (See *Gazette*, 1898, page 1666.)

SELECT COMMITTEES.

For Wednesday, the 26th day of October, 1898.

Native Affairs, at 11 a.m., in No. 4 Committee-room.

Business.—Consideration of Petition No. 9, relative to the Mangapoike A Block.

Joint House Sub-Committee, at noon, in No. 1 Committee-room.