

The Council meets at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, the 10th Day of October, 1900.

QUESTION.

1. Hon. Mr. WILLIAMS to ask the Minister of Education, Whether any inquiry has been made by the Government as recommended by the Native Affairs Committee in their Report upon the petition (No. 3) of Hauiti Whaaro and others, which was brought up on the 6th October, 1899?

NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. Hon. Mr. PINKERTON to move, That the Report of the Labour Bills Committee upon the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Bill, together with the minutes of the proceedings of the Committee and the evidence taken thereon, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Government Railways Bill—consideration of the following amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor:—

Amend clause 7 by adding the following new subclause:—

- (2A.) Section twenty-eight of "The Public Works Act, 1894," in so far as it relates to Government railways, shall extend to Government railways executed prior to the commencement of that Act, and shall operate without the limitation imposed by the words "for the purposes of which a road or street might have been closed, or any such power exercised in the first instance," in subsection five of that section.

Insert new clause:—

47A. With respect to every departmental or other inquiry held by direction of the Minister or General Manager the following provisions shall apply:—

- (1.) All evidence taken shall be taken on oath, and the oath may be administered by the person or any of the persons appointed to hold the inquiry.
- (2.) The inquiry shall be deemed to be a judicial proceeding.
- (3.) If the inquiry is into any complaint or charge affecting the conduct or capacity of any person in the service of the department, he shall be furnished with a written statement of the subject-matter of the complaint or charge.

2. Electoral Act Amendment Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
3. Manual and Technical Instruction Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Contingent Notices of Motion.

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

In lieu of clause 7 to insert the following new clause:—

7. The Governor in Council may make regulations for the appointment of managers of associated classes, and, in the case of

associated classes other than those specified in Part II. of the Second Schedule hereto, the powers of appointment possessed by the controlling authority and the public associations joining in the establishment of such classes shall be in proportion to the cost of maintenance borne by them severally.

In clause 9, line 40, after the words "associated classes," to insert the words "other than those specified in Part II. of the Second Schedule hereto."

4. Private Industrial Schools Inspection and Industrial Schools Act Amendment Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
5. Foreign Insurance Companies' Deposits Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. Cadman.)
6. Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. W. C. SMITH, in Committee, to move the following new clause:—

The surplus from "thirds" used or hypothecated for the repayment of any loan shall be available for the discharge of instalments, and no special rate shall be collected until such surplus is exhausted.

7. Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

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

Where an award is made by the Court of Arbitration, or an industrial agreement is entered into by the parties to an industrial dispute, the terms of such award or industrial agreement shall be binding on the Crown, or any department of the Government of New Zealand employing workers in a similar industry, anything in this Act or any other Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Hon. Mr. BONAR, in Committee, to move the following new clause as 107A:—

(7.) Disputes with Local Authorities.

107A. (1.) In any case where the workers or any class of workers employed by any local authority are represented by a registered industrial union, and any industrial dispute arises between the local authority and such industrial union, such dispute may be referred to the Court for settlement without the intervention of the Board.

(2.) In every such case the provisions of subsections three to eight of section one hundred and seven hereof shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply for the purposes of prescribing the procedure and the jurisdiction of the Court in relation to such dispute.

(3.) "Local authority," for the purposes of this section, means the Council of any borough or county, and the Board of any town district, road district, or harbour.