

The Council meets at 2.30 p.m.

# ORDER PAPER.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Friday, the 25th Day of August, 1899.

### PRIVATE BUSINESS.

1. Wellington Electric Lighting Act 1891 Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. Rigg.)

### NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Hon. Mr. REEVES to move, That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the name of the Hon. Mr. McGregor to be added to the Goldfields and Mines Committee.
2. Hon. Mr. W. C. WALKER to move, For leave to introduce a Bill intituled "The Native Interpreters Classification Act, 1899."
3. Hon. Mr. W. C. WALKER to move, For leave to introduce a Bill intituled "The Trustee Act Amendment Act, 1899."

### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Heathcote Road District Sanitation Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Jenkinson.)

#### *Contingent Notice of Motion.*

Hon. Mr. PINKERTON, in Committee, to move that the following proviso be added to clause 5:—

Provided that no deposit shall be made within fifteen chains of a public road, a dwelling-house, or the boundary of such land.

2. Workers' Compensation for Accidents Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

#### *Contingent Notices of Motion.*

Hon. Mr. MACGREGOR to move the following amendments:—

To add to clause 2 the following definitions:—

"Engineering work" means any work of construction, or alteration, or repair of a railroad, harbour, dock, canal, sewer, or tunnel, and includes any other work for the construction, alteration, or repair of which machinery driven by steam, water, or other mechanical power is used.

"Factory" means any manufactory, workshop, workroom, or premises wherein or whereon manual labour is exercised for the purpose of gain, in or incidental to the making, altering, or repairing any article by way of trade, or for the purpose of gain, or for sale, and includes any ship or boat in port, dock, wharf, quay, or warehouse, so far as relates to machinery and plant used in the process of loading or unloading therefrom or thereto, and every laundry worked by steam, water, or other mechanical power.

That clause 3 be struck out, and the following substituted therefor:—

This Act applies to injuries to workers employed by employers:

(a.) On or in or about a railway, factory, mine, quarry, or engineering; or building work.

(b.) On, in, or about any employment to which it shall be declared to apply by Proclamation: Provided that no such Proclamation shall issue except pursuant to addresses from both Houses of Parliament.

That the following new clause be added:—

This Act shall not apply to persons in the naval or military service of the Crown, but otherwise shall apply to any employment by or under the Crown to which this Act would apply if the employer were a private person.

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

A. In any case brought before the Court of Arbitration constituted under the Industrial Arbitration Act, when any question of law shall arise, the President may hear and determine the same without the Assessors; or he may, if he think fit, state a case for the decision of the Supreme Court thereon, and he shall state such question if any party to the dispute should request him to do so: Provided, however, that no barrister shall be allowed to appear before the Supreme Court to argue such question unless all parties consent thereto.

3. Adjourned debate upon the question, That a Select Committee be appointed for the purpose of reporting whether a more speedy realisation of the remaining assets under the control of the Assets Realisation Board can be secured, having due regard to the interests of the colony, and to what extent, if any, the remaining lands can be utilised as lands for settlement, the Committee to consist of the Hon. Mr. Bonar, Hon. Mr. Jennings, Hon. Mr. Johnston, Hon. Mr. W. Kelly, Hon. Mr. T. Kelly, Hon. Mr. Ormond, Hon. Mr. A. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker, and the Mover, the Committee to have power to call for persons and papers, and to report within one month.
4. Lunatics Act Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
5. Licensing Poll Regulation Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Tuesday, the 29th Day of August, 1899.

#### QUESTION.

1. Hon. Mr. BOLT to ask the Minister of Education, If the Government will favourably consider the question of completing, at an early date, the construction of the line of railway (some fourteen miles in extent) between Riversdale and Waikaia, a considerable portion of which line was formed, and rails laid thereon, several years ago?

#### PETITIONS, PAPERS, AND REPORTS.

THURSDAY, 24TH AUGUST, 1899.

##### PETITIONS.

11. Of W. J. Comrie and 64 other residents of Hastings and Clive, praying that the Council will pass such measures as may seem best fitted to suppress the growing evil of gambling. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Smith.)

12. Of S. L. Osborne and 34 other residents of New Plymouth: same prayer as the foregoing. (Hon. Mr. T. Kelly.)

##### REPORTS.

14. Of the Native Affairs Committee upon Petition No. 7 of Ani Paki and R. te Rango. (Hon. Mr. Williams.)

15. Of the Labour Bills Committee upon the Workers' Compensation for Accidents Bill. (Hon. Mr. Richardson.)

16. Of the Joint Statutes Revision Committee upon the Contempt of Court Bill. (Hon. Mr. Bowen.)

#### SELECT COMMITTEES.

For Friday, the 25th day of August, 1899.

Public Petitions, at 10 a.m., in No. 4 Committee-room.

*Business.*—Consideration of Petition No. 8, of A. Wright and 219 other tailors.

Labour Bills, at 10.30 a.m., in No. 1 Committee-room.

*Bill for consideration.*—Factories Act Amendment Bill—Employment of Boys and Girls Without Payment Prevention Bill.

Joint Statutes Revision, at 11 a.m., in Joint Committee-room.

*Bills for consideration.*—Statutes Consolidation and Printing Bill—Mortgages Bill—Companies Act 1882 Amendment Bill—Companies Bill—Summary Convictions for Indictable Offences Bill—Assignment of Small Debts Bill.