ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Tuesday, the 12th day of October, 1875.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Mr. Mantell to move, That, in the opinion of this Council, the purchase of Native Lands by the Government should, in due regard for the best interests of the Colony, be conducted with the most scrupulous integrity and honour; and that, therefore, it is incumbent upon the Government to exercise the greatest care in the selection of agents for that important duty.

2. The Honourable Mr. Menzies to move, That, in the opinion of this Council, it is expedient that the Government should bring in a Bill this Session, to amend "The Disqualification

Act, 1870," in order to bring the letter into conformity with the spirit of the Act.

3. The Honourable Mr. Menzies to move, That, as some doubts exist as to what might be the legal interpretation of various provisions of "The Disqualification Act, 1870," it is expedient that any Bill proposing to amend the same should bar the recovery of any penalities under the Act in any way, other than as the Amendment Act may direct.

4. The Honourable Mr. Stokes to move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honourable

Mr. Acland, for the remainder of the Session, on urgent private affairs.

5. The Honourable Colonel Kenny to move, That, with a view to the settlement of the matters the subject of the Piako Land Exchange Bill (No. 1), it is expedient, in the opinion of this Council, that that Bill should be withdrawn by the Government, and that the Government should afford Mr. Whitaker every facility and assistance in arranging with the Natives for the survey of the land for which he has been awarded a Crown grant by the Land Claims Commissioner, or in otherwise effecting an equitable arrangement with the Natives.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Debtors and Creditors Bill—second reading.

2. Canterbury Fencing Bill—second reading.

- Bankruptcy Laws Amendment Bill—second reading.
 Outram Telegraph Station Reserve Bill—second reading.
 Stamp Fee Bill—to be further considered in Committee.
- 6. Auckland Harbour Foreshore Grant Bill—second reading.

7. Napier Harbour Board Bill—second reading.

8. Municipal Corporations Act Amendment Bill—third reading.

9. Oamaru Town Hall and Gasworks Site and Recreation Reserves Bill—third reading.

10. Evidence Further Amendment Bill—third reading.

11. Piako Land Exchange Bill (No. 1)—to be further considered in Committee.

12. Licensing Act Amendment Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Waterhouse, when in Committee on the Licensing Bill, to move, That clause 2 be omitted.

New Clauses.

Nothwithstanding any to the contrary contained in the thirteenth section of "The Licensing Act 1873 Amendment Act, 1874," it shall be competent for the Licensing Court to grant a license for a house that has not been previously licensed at other quarterly licensing meetings than that to be held in the month of June of each year: Provided that the applicant shall not have been previously refused a license on the ground of his being an unsuitable person to hold a license.

Any holder of a license refusing, either personally or through any one acting on his behalf, except for some valid reason, to supply lodging, meals, or accommodation to travellers, or supplying intoxicating liquors to a person already in a state of intoxication, shall for each offence be liable, on conviction, to forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding ten pounds.

13. Employment of Females Bill—second reading.