

*The Council meets at 2.30 p.m.*

## ORDER PAPER.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 1883.

## PRIVATE BUSINESS.

1. Tairaroa Land Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

## NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Colonel BRETT to move, That the minutes and evidence taken before the Joint Education Petition Committee of both Houses be printed.
2. The Honourable Mr. G. R. JOHNSON to move,—
  - (1.) That the Members of both Houses of Parliament residing in or within 15 miles of Wellington be the Library Committee for the recess. Three to be a quorum.
  - (2.) That during the recess the circulation of books be limited to the Members of both Houses residing in the District of Wellington and those gentlemen who have the right to the full privileges of the library, and also to such heads of departments in the Civil Service as the Recess Committee may consider desirable.
  - (3.) That the library should be open and available during the recess for reference only to those persons to whom the Recess Committee may grant permission, and that the above Committee should make such regulations for admission as they may think fit, it being understood that as much facility as possible should be given to the public to avail themselves of the privilege.
3. The Honourable Mr. G. R. JOHNSON to move, That the Report No. 2 of the Joint Library Committee be printed.
4. The Honourable Mr. WILLIAMS to move, That there be laid upon the Table copy of a letter from Mr. D. Maclean, Chief Land Purchase Commissioner, to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, dated the 11th April, 1849, the letter acknowledging the receipt of which, dated the 25th April, 1849, is printed in the Appendix to the Journals of the House of Representatives, 1861, C.—1, page 252.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. School Committees Election Bill—to be committed.

*Contingent Notices of Motion.*

The Honourable Captain BAILLIE, when in Committee, to move, That the following proviso be added to clause 6 :—

This proviso shall not come into force in any school district until a petition in favour thereof, signed by an absolute majority of the electors in the school district, shall have been received by the Education Board.

The Honourable Mr. BARNICOAT, when in Committee, to move the following amendments :—

Section 3, line 16, after “ballot,” insert “shall be.” Lines 16 and 17, strike out “to the Education Board of the district,” and insert “in manner prescribed by the fifth section of this Act for nomination.” Line 17, between “the” and “first” insert “thirty.”

Section 4, page 2, lines 1 and 2, strike out “the names of those members of such Committee who retire from office, and.”

Proviso to section 4 :—

Provided always that if the Committee of any school district in which there are less than two hundred children in average attendance at the public school or schools shall, on or before the first day of March in any year, signify to the Board their desire that the sending in of nominations prior to the date of election may be dispensed with, then the Board shall, in publishing the notification hereinbefore prescribed, declare that so much thereof as relates to the sending in of

nominations shall not apply to such school district; and in the case of any such excepted district the nominations shall be made and received at the householders' meeting, subject to the provisions relating to nominations contained in the sixth section of this Act.

2. Westland High School Bill—to be committed.
3. Corrupt Practices Prevention Bill—to be committed.
4. Thermal Springs Act 1881 Amendment Bill—second reading.
5. Railways Construction and Land Act 1881 Amendment Bill—second reading.
6. Native Committees Bill—second reading.
7. Auckland Hospital Reserves Bill—second reading.
8. Auckland Harbour Act Amendment Bill—to be committed.
9. Land Transfer Act 1870 Amendment Bill—to be committed.

*Contingent Notice of Motion.*

The Honourable Mr. P. A. BUCKLEY, when in Committee, to move the following new clause:—

5. The Court shall, in hearing and deciding upon any case under this Act, be guided by the real justice and good conscience of such case, and shall direct itself by such forms of evidence as may seem to it most suitable to the circumstances of such case.

10. West Coast Settlement Reserves Act 1881 Amendment Bill—to be committed.
11. Kawhia Township Sale Bill—to be committed.
12. Volunteer Act 1881 Amendment Bill—to be committed.
13. Licensing Act Amendment Bill No. 2—to be further considered in Committee.
14. Charitable Gifts Duties Exemption Bill—to be committed.

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PETITIONS, PAPERS, AND REPORTS.

TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1883.

PETITION.

133. Of 49 Roman Catholics of Opotiki, praying the Council to devise such measures as will secure to the Roman Catholics of New Zealand justice and equitable treatment. (Hon. Mr. Dignan.)

PAPER.

129. Insolvency, Return of the Number of Cases in which Declarations of, were filed in the Supreme Court in each of the years 1879, 1880, and 1881, showing the amount of liabilities and dividends paid. Return to an order dated 27th June, 1883. (Hon. Mr. G. R. Johnson.)

REPORTS.

57. Of the Joint Committee on Education Petitions. (Hon. Colonel Brett.)
58. Of the Joint Library Committee. (Hon. Mr. G. R. Johnson.)
59. Of the Joint Committee on Bills upon the Native Reserves Bill. (Hon. Captain Baillie.)
60. Of the Public Petitions Committee upon Petition No. 97 of Ihaia Tainui. (Hon. Colonel Brett.)

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

*For Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 1883.*

Native Affairs Committee, at 10.30 a.m., in No. 1 Committee-room.

Gold Fields Committee, at 11 a.m., in No. 4 Committee-room.