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Thursday, the 5th Day of October, 1899.

QUESTION.

1. Hon. Mr. TAIAROA to ask the Minister of Education, Whether the Government has paid over the sum of £6,000, purchase-money due to the Native owners of the Pohokura Block of 40,000 acres, and, if not, what is the reason for the delay?

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

- 1. Young Persons Protection Bill—adjourned debate upon the question, That this Council do now resolve itself into Committee upon the Bill. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
- 2. Employment of Boys or Girls Without Payment Prevention Bill—consideration of reasons of House of Representatives for disagreeing with one of the amendments of the Legislative Council.

Reason's for disagreeing with Clause No 7.

" That it may lead to the evasion of clause No. 2, which reads as follows :----

- "2. Every boy or girl under the age of eighteen years who is employed in any capacity to do any work in a factory or workroom, shall be entitled to receive from the employer payment for the work at such rate as is agreed upon, being in no case less than four shillings per week for girls and five shillings per week for boys, irrespective of overtime."
- 3. Local Government Voting Reform Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. W. C. WALKER, in Committee, to move the following new clause :---

2A. At every poll taken for the election of a member of a local authority, in the case of a borough or subdivision thereof, each ratepayer or burgess shall have one vote and no more, and in any other case the voting power specified in the Schedule hereto.

3A. This Act shall come into operation and be deemed to commence on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred: Provided that Acts passed during this session of Parliament dealing with votes of ratepayers for local loans shall have effect as in each Act expressed, this Act notwithstanding.

- 4. Gaming and Lotteries Acts Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
- 5. Christchurch Domain Trust Indemnity Bill—third reading. (Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.)
- 6. Stratford Borough Empowering Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. T. Kelly.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. PINKERTON, in Committee, to move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill, to stand as clause 1A:---

1A. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, "Council" means the Council of the Borough of Stratford.

- 7. Linwood Borough Loan Bill-to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Bowen.)
- 8. Borough of Stratford Private Roads Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. T. Kelly.)
- 9. Timaru Harbour Board Loan Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Feldwick.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. FELDWICK, in Committee, to move the following amendments :---

Clause 7, subsection (1): In line 6 of the subsection, to strike out the word "borough" and substitute "boroughs"; in line 10 of the same subsection, to strike out the word "borough" and substitute the word "boroughs"; in line 8, of subsection (7), in the same clause, to strike out the word "the word "the" and insert "each."

Clause 11: In line 10, to strike out the word "borough" and insert "boroughs."

- 10. Linwood and Woolston Boroughs Borrowing Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Bowen.)
- 11. Auckland City Borrowing Bill-to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Jennings.)
- 12. Melrose Borough Gas Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Rigg.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

Hon. Mr. Rigg, in Committee, to move the following new clause :---

35A. In the event of the Council entering into a contract with the Wellington Gas Company (Limited), under section thirty-five hereof, the Wellington Gas Company shall have power, subject in each case to the approval of Wellington City Council, to extend its mains through any reserve now vested in the Wellington City Corporation.

13. Mauriceville County Bill-to be committed. (Hon. Mr. Feldwick.)

Friday, the 6th Day of October, 1899.

QUESTION.

1. Hon. Mr. TOMOANA to ask the Minister of Education, When will the Government introduce the Bill promised to the Native meetings by the Rt. Hon. the Premier, for the purpose of setting up Native Boards for the management of Native lands?

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Marlborough High School Bill—to be committed. (Hon. Captain Baillie.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

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Strike out clause 18, and in lieu thereof insert :---

The Board shall yearly and every year afford free education by giving a free place for the year in the said High School or Schools to one scholar for every fifty pounds of its net annual income.

18A. In lieu of free places as aforesaid, the Board may in its discretion substitute scholarships on the following scale:—One scholarship of an annual sum equal to the ordinary school fees of one, two, three, or of four free places respectively for the year:

Provided that no scholarship of three or four free places shall be granted except to a scholar whose home is so remote from he school as to prevent him from living at home whilst attending the school.