

ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Tuesday, the 15th day of October, 1872.

1. The Honourable Mr. SEWELL to ask the Premier the following Question :—

His Excellency the Governor having, in his Memorandum laid before Parliament, dated 7th October instant, expressed his opinion in the following terms :—

“ It seems to be morally certain that the majority of the Parliament and of the people of New Zealand agree in desiring that there may be formed on a wider basis a new Administration, strong enough to carry on the Government without further embarrassment of the public business. It is confidently expected that practical effect can be given to that desire.”

And His Excellency having further stated “that a fresh appeal to the country would be premature until all proper endeavours in the direction indicated by His Excellency shall have failed.”

And having consequently decided that his duty compelled him to decline to accede to Mr. Stafford's recommendation of an immediate dissolution,—

I have to ask, Whether there is any objection to acquainting the Council with the endeavours, if any, which have been made, of the nature so indicated by His Excellency; and, if such endeavours have failed, the circumstances to which such failure is attributable?

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Public Trust Office Bill—third reading.
2. Wardens' Courts Proceedings Validation Bill—third reading.
3. Maori Representation Act Amendment and Continuance Bill—third reading.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. MANTELL to move, on the Order for the third reading of the Maori Representation Bill, That the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of adding the following new clause :—

6. No member elected under the provisions of this Act to serve in the House of Representatives, and no Maori member who shall be summoned to the Legislative Council shall be capable of being appointed to any office of emolument under the General Government of the Colony, or any Provincial Government, so long as he may be a member of the General Assembly, or within twelve months after he may have ceased to be a member thereof: And if any such member of either branch of the Legislature shall at the time of his being summoned or elected hold any such office of emolument as aforesaid, the salary or emolument of such office shall neither be increased nor diminished during such time as he may be a member of the General Assembly, or within twelve months after he may have ceased to be a member thereof.

4. Public Revenues Bill—to be further considered in Committee.
5. Lands Clauses Consolidation Act Amendment Bill—to be further considered in Committee.
6. Wellington College Bill—to be committed.
7. Highway Boards Empowering Bill—third reading.

Contingent Notices of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. CHAMBERLIN to move, on the third reading of the Highway Boards Empowering Act, That the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of reconsidering the second clause, with a view to erase the words “and sixpence” in the eleventh line, and in the twelfth line to erase the words “three halfpence,” and insert in lieu thereof the words “one penny,”

The Honourable Captain BAILLIE to move, on the third reading of the Highway Boards Empowering Bill, That the Bill be recommitted, for the purpose of inserting the following new clause :—

Any person entitled to vote at any election for a member of any Road Board or Board of Wardens, under the provisions of any District Highways Act or Ordinance, or Ordinance framed or to be framed by any Provincial Legislature, shall be entitled to give at any poll held under the provisions of such Act or Ordinance, a number

of votes in proportion to the amount at which such person is rated for the year, in which the poll is taken, in respect of all the properties in such district upon which such person is rated to the local rate for the time being in force, anything in the said Provincial Act or Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding, that is to say:—

If the sums which he has paid and is liable to pay in respect of such rate for the year do not together exceed two pounds, one vote.

If they together exceed two pounds and do not exceed four pounds, two votes.

If they together exceed four pounds and do not exceed six pounds, three votes.

If they together exceed six pounds and do not exceed eight pounds, four votes.

If they together exceed eight pounds and do not exceed twenty pounds, five votes.

If they together exceed twenty pounds and do not exceed thirty pounds, six votes.

If they together exceed thirty pounds and do not exceed forty pounds, seven votes.

If they together exceed forty pounds and do not exceed fifty pounds, eight votes.

If they together exceed fifty pounds and do not exceed sixty pounds, nine votes.

If they together exceed sixty pounds, ten votes.

And no individual shall have more than ten votes.

8. Hawke's Bay and Marlborough Rivers Act Amendment Bill—second reading.
9. Hawke's Bay Special Settlements Bill—second reading.
10. Auckland University Bill—second reading.
11. Colonization Companies Bill—second reading.

Wednesday, the 16th day of October, 1872.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Auckland Waterworks Bill—second reading.
2. Lyttelton Harbour Works Loan Bill—second reading.
3. Auckland Improvement (Albert Barracks) Reserves Bill—second reading.
4. Distillation Act Amendment Bill—second reading.

Thursday, the 17th day of October, 1872.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Limited Liability Joint Stock Companies Dissolution Bill—to be committed.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE PRESENTED:—

14TH OCTOBER, 1872.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

36. Report of the Select Committee upon the Wellington College Bill. (Hon. Mr. Hart.)

SELECT COMMITTEES:—

For Tuesday, the 15th day of October, 1872.

Public Petitions, at 10.30 a.m., in No. 2 Committee Room, Legislative Council.

Waste Lands, at 11 a.m., in No 1 Committee Room, Legislative Council.

Westland Investigation, at 11 a.m., in No. 2 Committee Room, Legislative Council.