The Council meets at 2.30 p.m.

### ORDER PAPER.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Tuesday, the 8th day of September, 1885.

PRIVATE BUSINESS.

1. Napier Gas Company's Bill—second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Captain Baillie to move, That the Report of the Joint

Committee on Codlin Moth be agreed to.

2. The Honourable Mr. Reeves to move the following resolution: That this Council does not insist upon the new clause 4, as inserted by the Legislative Council in the Employment of Females and Others Act 1881 Amendment Bill, but that the following words be substituted in lieu of the said clause: "Section 10 of the said Act is hereby amended by the addition of the following words: 'The employment on Saturdays of male young persons from the hour of one p.m. to the hour of six p.m. in the printing and publishing of newspapers.'"

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Mortgage Debentures Bill—second reading. (Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

2. Stamp Act 1882 Amendment Bill—consideration of amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor. (See printed slip.)

3. River Boards Act 1884 Amendment Bill—consideration of amendment pro-

posed by His Excellency the Governor:—

Clause 5, lines 2 and 7. Omit the word "special;" and in sub-

division (1), omit all the words after "force."

4. Mines Act 1877 Amendment Bill—consideration of reasons of House of Representatives for disagreeing to amendments of Legislative Council:—

As to clauses 8 and 7, which have been struck out:—

1. The burden of taxation on the mining community is at present very onerous, and such as to severely cripple the gold-mining industry, preventing private enterprise and the employment of capital in the development of the resources of the colony.

2. That if the fees for miners' rights and other charges were reduced, many more persons would be induced to engage in mining enterprise, and thus a great benefit would be conferred

on the whole colony.

- 3. That the time has arrived when it has become necessary and desirable that taxes and charges on native industries such as gold-mining should be reduced to a minimum, or otherwise altogether abolished; and the pursuit of such industries should be encouraged by the State and the Legislature in every possible way.
- 5. Rating Act 1882 Amendment (No. 2) Bill—to be further considered in Committee. (Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Buckley to move:—

Clause 39. After "object" insert "by lodging an objection with the local body."

Add to the clause the following paragraph:—

"The Property Assessment Act, 1879," shall, for the purposes of this section, be read as if "local body" had been enacted therein in the place of "Commissioner."

After clause 9 to insert:—

9A. When any person whose name appears on any valuation-roll in force as the owner of any rateable property shall part with or dispose of the property in respect of which he is, or appears to be, liable for rates, whether by sale, conveyance, or transfer of any kind, or by operation of law, he shall continue liable to the payment of such rates, unless he gives, before the date of the public notification by

the local body of their intention to make a rate, express notice in writing to the local body of the fact of such sale, conveyance, or transfer as aforesaid, and of the purchaser or transferee thereof, or of such facts as relieve him from liability at law.

6. Property Law Consolidation Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

(Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

Contingent Notices of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Hart to move the following new clause:-

A. From and after the passing of this Act, to the signature of every witness attesting the execution of a deed within the colony there shall be added the place of abode and calling or description of such witness.

The Honourable Sir F. WHITAKER, K.C.M.G., to move the following new clause :-

> B. Every conveyance made by any executor or administrator acting under any probate or letters of administration shall be, and shall be deemed to have been, as valid and effectual as if the deceased person whose estate shall be, or have been, vested in him, had made the same, and the receipt or receipts in writing of the executor or administrator shall be a sufficient discharge to any purchaser for the purchase-money thereby expressed to have been received; and no such purchaser or his representative shall be concerned to see to the application of the purchase-money by him paid, or to inquire whether the sale or conveyance by such executor or administrator has been irregular or improper.

7. Justices of the Peace Act 1882 Amendment Bill—second reading. (Hon.

Mr. Wilson.)

8. Gisborne High School Bill—to be further considered in Committee. (Hon. Mr. G. R. Johnson.)

9. Patea Harbour Board Bill—third reading. (Hon. Mr. Richmond.)

## Wednesday, the 9th day of September, 1885.

#### NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Mr. MILLER to move, That, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable that the exemptions in the Property Assessment Bill should be abolished.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Costley Bequest Bill—second reading. (Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

2. Property Assessment Bill—second reading. (Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

3. Counties Act Amendment Bill—second reading. (Mr. Shephard.)

4. Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Bill—third reading. (Hon. Colonial Secretary.)

### PETITIONS, PAPERS, AND REPORTS.

Monday, 7th September, 1885.

#### REPORT.

85. Of the Standing Orders Committee. (Hon. Captain Baillie.)

86. Of the Free Conference upon the School Committees Election Bill. (Hon. Mr. Reynolds.)

#### SELECT COMMITTEES.

For Tuesday, the 8th day of September, 1885.
Waste Lands, at 10.30 a.m., in No. 1 Committee room.

Native Affairs Committee, at 10.30 a.m., in Interpreter's room.

Advances on Freeholds Committee, at 10.30 a.m., in No. 4 Committee room. Gold Fields Committee, at 10 a.m., in No. 4 Committee room.