ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, the 14th day of July, 1880.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Mr. Peacock to move, That, inasmuch as the finances of the colony are in a very unsatisfactory state, requiring the strictest retrenchment to place them on a better basis, to prevent as much as possible an enormous increase of taxation, it be a request from the Council to the Government to exclude from the Estimates such a sum of money as would be required to furnish the usual honorarium to members of this branch of the Legislature.

2. The Honourable Mr. Menzies to move, That, in the opinion of this Council, the Education Act should be so amended as to provide for permissive power being granted to Education Boards to introduce the reading of the

Bible in schools, subject to a time-table and conscience clause.

3. The Honourable Mr. Reynolds to move, That a Return be laid on the Table showing the gross expenditure in connection with the Native Land Court, from the year 1865 up to the end of the last financial year; also the gross revenue received from the said Court for the same period.

4. The Honourable Mr. Wilson to move, That the proceedings of the Joint

Committee on the Statute Law Revision be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Deceased Wife's Sister Marriage Bill—third reading.

Thursday, the 15th day of July. 1880.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Election Petitions Bill—to be committed.

Friday, the 16th day of July, 1880.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Pharmacy Bill—to be committed.

2. Rabbit Nuisance Bill—to be recommitted.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Mr. Waterhouse, when in Committee on the Rabbit Nuisance Bill, to move the following amendment:—

Interpretation clause. To add to end of interpretation of "land-owner," the words "and also includes corporate bodies or bodies of trustees having charge of any lands within the district."

After clause 12. Insert the following new clause:—

Rates may be levied.

13. It shall be lawful for the Trustees to levy in each year, for the purposes of this Act, a rate on all holdings of landowners not exceeding one half-penny per acre.

(1.) For the purpose of levying such rate and forming a landowners' list, the Trustees shall in every year cause to be made out a list, to be called the "landowners' list," of every landowner in the district, with the quantity of land held, occupied, or owned by such landowner, and shall deposit such list, or a true copy thereof, in some convenient place in the district for inspection without fee. For the purpose of making out such list the County and Road Boards within the district

shall, upon application being made by the Trustees, furnish a list of all ratepayers within the district, and of the extent of the land in

their occupation.

(2.) The Trustees shall, not less than ten days before making any rate, publicly notify their intention to make such rate, and the place where such landowners' list is deposited as aforesaid, and in such notice shall appoint a day and place on and at which they will sit to hear objections, and finally complete such list and levy the rate: Provided that in the case of pastoral tenants under the Crown, whose leases expire within five years of the levying such rate, the amount to be paid in respect thereof shall be one-half of such rate.

Tuesday, the 20th day of July, 1880.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Native Reserves Bill—to be further considered in Committee.

Contingent Notice of Motion.

The Honourable Sir F. DILLON BELL, when in Committee on the Native Reserves Bill, to move the addition of the following words to subsection 5 of section 3 (interpretation clause): - "and which lands shall by Order in Council be brought by the Governor under the operation of this Act."

PETITIONS, PAPERS, AND REPORTS.

Tuesday, 13th July, 1880.

PAPERS.

93. Native Reserves, Report of the Commissioner of, for the Nine Months ended 31st March, 1880. G.—3A. (By command.)

94. Immigration Returns. In continuation of D.-4, 1879. D.-3.

command.)

95. Railway Locomotives, Further Correspondence relating to English and American. In continuation of E.—4, 1879. E.—5. (By command.)

96. County Councils, Annual Balance-sheets of, on the 31st March, 1880.

In pursuance of section 135 of "The Counties Act, 1876."

97. Land in the Timaru District, Canterbury, Exchange of. In pursuance of section 148 of "The Land Act, 1877." (See *Gazette*, pages 958 and 972.)

98. Native Assessors, Return of the Names of all, whose services have been dispensed with, or whose salaries have been reduced, during the three years ended 31st March, 1880. Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 25th June, 1880. (Hon. Mr. Taiaroa.)

REPORTS.

28. Of the Pharmacy Bill Committee. (Hon. Mr. Waterhouse.)

29. Of the Bank of New Zealand Act 1861 Amendment Bill Committee. (Hon. Captain Baillie.)

SELECT COMMITTEE.

For Wednesday, the 14th day of July, 1880. Bankruptcy Law (Joint), at 11 a.m., in No. 4 Committee room.