

Amendment Ordinance, No. 3, on the 4th November.

Council adjourned at three o'clock until two o'clock on Wednesday, the 4th of November, 1846.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1846.

PRESENT :

All the Members.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Governor laid on the table the following Despatch from the Secretary of State, No. 31, dated 1st of June, 1846.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy, Despatch read by the Clerk, and ordered to be printed.

(COPY.—No. 31.)

Downing Street,

1st June, 1846.

SIR,—I have received your Despatch, No. 4, of the 23rd November last, reporting the measures which you had adopted in consequence of the disallowance of the local Ordinance, authorizing the Governor of New Zealand to issue Debentures, and to make them a legal Tender.

It does not appear to Her Majesty's Government, that there were any better measures open to your adoption, under the embarrassing circumstances in which you were placed; and I approve of the Proclamations which you issued on the occasion.

I take this opportunity of acquainting you, that Her Majesty's Government have decided to submit an Estimate to Parliament, of which a copy is enclosed, for a vote of £30,000, for the service of New Zealand, for the year 1846—7.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed) W. E. GLADSTONE.

Lieut.-Governor Grey,

&c., &c., &c.,

New Zealand.

The Attorney-General moved the order of the day for consideration in Committee of the Supreme Court Rules' Bill.

Bill considered, reported, and ordered to be read a third time on Thursday, the 5th of November, 1846.

Moved by Mr. Domett, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, "That the Legislative Council do request His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to confer with the Judges of the Supreme Court, with a view to the revisal and reduction, if practicable, of the Fees of that Court."

The Colonial Secretary gave notice that he should move the second reading of the Duties of Customs' Ordinance, on Thursday, the 5th of November, 1846.

The Attorney-General gave notice that he should move the suspension of the Standing Rules and Orders, to enable the Council to carry the Police Magistrates' and Native Exemption Ordinances Repeal Ordinance, through its different stages, on Thursday, the 5th November, 1846.

The Governor laid on the table the following Bills :

- 1.—An Ordinance to authorise compensation in Colonial Debentures to be made to certain Claimants to Land in the Colony of New Zealand.
- 2.—An Ordinance to regulate the removal, and the making and repairing of Arms, Gunpowder, and other warlike stores, within the Colony of New Zealand.
- 3.—An Ordinance to repeal the Cattle Trespass Amendment Ordinance, and to provide for the summary recovery of compensation for damage done by Cattle Trespassing.

Ordered, that the said Bills be printed.

Council adjourned at half-past three o'clock until two o'clock on Thursday, the 5th of November, 1846.

THURSDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 1846.

PRESENT :

All the Members.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Attorney-General moved the order of the day for the third reading of the Supreme Court Rules' Ordinance.

Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Colonial Secretary moved the order of the day for the second reading of the Customs' Duties Ordinance.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of the Colonial Secretary, bill committed, amended, and ordered to be read a third time on Friday, 6th November, 1846.

The Attorney-General moved the suspension of the Standing Rules to enable the Police Magistrates' and Native Exemption Ordinance Repeal Bill.

Bill read a first and second time, and committed.

Mr. Domett moved, that the further consideration of the Resident Magistrates Courts' Ordinance be considered in Committee, on Friday, 6th November, 1846.

The Attorney General gave notice that he should move the first reading of the Cattle Trespass Amendment Ordinance, on Friday the 6th November.

The Colonial Treasurer gave notice that he should move the third reading of the Appropriation Bill, on Friday, 6th November, 1846.

The Governor laid on the Table the several Returns moved for by Mr. Kennedy on the 12th October.

Ordered, that said Returns be printed.

Council adjourned at half-past three o'clock until two o'clock on Friday, the 6th November, 1846.

FRIDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 1846.

PRESENT :

All the Members.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Domett moved the order of the day for