

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 23RD JUNE, 1854.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. FITZGERALD—To move for leave to introduce a Bill for defining the powers of the Governments of Provinces of the Colony of New Zealand.
2. MR. FITZGERALD—To move the adoption of the following Address to Her Majesty in accordance with the Resolution passed on Friday, the 16th instant :—

To the Queen's most excellent Majesty.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, your Majesty's loyal and faithful subjects, the Commons of New Zealand, in their House of Representatives assembled, desire to approach your Majesty to lay before you the homage of our devoted attachment to your Majesty's crown and person.

We feel it our bounden duty upon the occasion of this the first meeting of the Parliament of New Zealand, to express to your Majesty our gratitude for the restoration of our ancient constitutional privileges, and to convey to your Majesty our confident assurance that the ties of attachment between this colony and the Imperial Government will be thereby strengthened, and the united interests of both races of your Majesty's subjects in New Zealand promoted, consolidated, and based on a lasting foundation.

We cannot refrain from expressing to your Majesty our heartfelt satisfaction at the manner in which this great work has been inaugurated by his Excellency the Officer administering your Majesty's Government in this Colony, who by convening the General Assembly has given complete effect to the Constitution granted to this Colony by your Majesty and parliament, and by the admission of the principle of Ministerial Responsibility, has fulfilled its spirit and provided for its secure and harmonious operation.

We earnestly pray that it may please Almighty God to vouchsafe to your Majesty a long and happy reign, secure in the allegiance and affection of your subjects, not only of Great Britain, but of that vast Colonial Empire which he has committed to your charge.

13. MR. SEWELL—To move for leave to bring in a Bill for regulating the management of certain Lands reserved for purposes of public utility in the several Provinces of New Zealand.
4. MR. HART—To suspend the Standing Orders in order to admit the Memorial of Archibald Watson Shand, late of Her Majesty's Customs at Otago.