

Mr. O'Brien, by leave of the House, withdrew his amendment, on Mr. Ludlam consenting to substitute the following for his original motion; and which Mr. Ludlam gave notice he would move to-morrow:—"That this House having had under its consideration the case of Mr. Grimstone, is of opinion that he has a claim on the General Government of the Colony.

Mr. Jerningham Wakefield, according to notice, moved No. 3, standing in his name on this day's paper, which was agreed to.

On the question being put that the House proceed to the order of the day,

Mr. Sewell moved, according to notice, that in going into Committee of Supply it be an instruction to the Committee to consider the following resolution:—"That under existing circumstances it is expedient that the following departments of the Public Service, viz.: the Supreme Court, the Registration of Deeds, and the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, be under the exclusive control, and provided for by the General Government.

Mr. Travers seconded the motion.—Agreed to.

Mr. Wortley gave notice that, to-morrow, he would move for a copy of any Despatches from the Secretary of State, with reference to the appointment of a Postmaster-General.

On motion of Mr. Sewell the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply, for consideration of the Estimates.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

House adjourned till 6 o'clock this evening.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th, 1854, (6 P.M.)

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

Dr. Monro moved, seconded by Mr. Mackay, that the Nelson Trust Funds Bill be now read a third time.—Agreed to.

Bill read a third time and *passed*.

Dr. Monro and Mr. Travers were deputed to present the Bill to the Legislative Council.

On the next order of the day being called, viz., that the Waste Lands Bill be Committed,

Mr. Jerningham Wakefield, according to notice, moved as an amendment that the Bill be Committed this day six months.

Mr. Travers seconded the motion.

Amendment put and negatived.

Original motion put and carried.

The Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee of the whole, for consideration of the Bill.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald the third reading of the Waste Lands Bill was ordered to stand an order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald consideration of the Revenues Bill in Committee ordered to stand an order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Mackay the second reading of the Customs Bill was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Sewell the reports of the Committee on the Public Debt, the Dower Bill, and Registration Bill, were postponed till Saturday.

On motion of Major Greenwood the second reading of the Electoral Bill was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Forsaith the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee of the whole for the consideration of Marriage Bill.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald second reading of Pre-emption Land Claims Bill postponed till to-morrow.

House then adjourned at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12 o'clock until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

CHARLES CLIFFORD,
Speaker.