

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Estimates of Expenditure—to be further considered in Committee.

The first order of the day having been read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for further consideration of the Estimates.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair, the Chairman of Committees brought up the report of the Committee of Supply, together with the Estimates of Expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1856, and the Supplementary Estimates for the year ended 30th June, 1855.

Report adopted by the House, and the Estimates ordered to be printed as amended.

2. Appropriation Bill—to be considered in Committee.

The second order of the day having been read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Appropriation Bill.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair, the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments; and that the Committee, having gone through the various items contained in the Estimates for the year ending 30th June, 1856; as laid before the House, together with the additional Estimates for the year ending at the same period, and the Supplementary Estimates for the year ended 30th June, 1855, had agreed to the following resolutions, which they recommend to the House for adoption:

1stly. Resolved—that the sum of £5,423 9s. 6d. be appropriated to defray the excess of expenditure for the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Civil Establishments of the General Government of New Zealand, beyond the grants for the year ending 30th June, 1855; that is to say,—Governor's Department, £39 13s.; Resident Magistrate's Department, Auckland, £775 5s.; Colonial Secretary's Department, £85 19s. 6d.; Colonial Treasurer's Department, £168 15s.; Auditor-General's Department, £175 12s.; Deputy-Registrar, Wellington, £187 10s.; Post Office, Auckland, £67 10s.; Post Office Hawke's Bay, £5; Native Secretary's Department, £361 5s.; Land Purchase Department, £650 11s.; Hospital, New Plymouth, £69 17s.; Hospital, Wanganui, £244 15s.; Assistant Native Secretary, New Plymouth, £50; Resident Magistrate, Nelson, £100; Registrar-General's Department, Auckland, towards the expenses of the department, £156; Registrar of Deeds, New Plymouth, £33 6s. 8d.; Resident Magistrate's Department, Russell, £145 10s.; Resident Magistrate Department, Wanganui, £345 17s.; Pensions, £80; Interest on Debentures, £110 5s. 6d.; Miscellaneous, £1070 17s. 10d.; Sum voted for H.M.S. "Pandora," £500.

2ndly. To defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Civil Establishments of the General Government of New Zealand for the period commencing on the first day of July, 1855, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1856, the sum of £33,760 16s. 6d. that is to say—Land Purchase Department, £2190; Post Office, £3511; Postal Interprovincial, £6500 Interest on Debentures, 12225 17s.; Pensions, £225; Governor's Establishment, £653 16s.; General Assembly, £3185; Colonial Secretary's Department, Colonial Treasury, Auditor-General's Department, and Bank of Issue, £1165; Supreme Court, £1845; Registrar General's Department, £212; Native Secretary's Department, and Native Assessors and Policemen at New Plymouth, £1799 15s.; Resident Magistrate's Department, £1829 12s. 6d.; Hospitals, £2294 4s.; Miscellaneous, £4530 12s.; Interest on Debentures, £294; Schools, £1300.

3rdly. To defray the charges of the several works and services hereinafter named, 1690*l.*; that is to say,—*Auckland*—Post Office: Building New Post Office, 1090*l.* to be repaired from the proceeds of the sale of the site of the present Post Office Buildings, &c., as far as the same will extend.

4thly. To defray the charges of the several services hereinafter named, the sum of 4289*l.* 11s. 3d.; that is to say,—Grant to H.M.S. "Pandora," 500*l.*; Colonial Secretary's Office—three clerks at 7s. 6d. per day from July last, 205*l.* 6s. 3d.; Pensions, 105*l.*; Resident Magistrates Departments—Wellington 819*l.* 5s., Canterbury 375*l.*, Nelson 150*l.*, Auckland (additional to Civil List) 100*l.*, Russell 150*l.*, Howick 75*l.*, Onehunga, 75*l.*, Mongonui 75*l.*; Vaccination of Natives, 200*l.* New Plymouth Moorings, 500*l.*; Scrutiny of Electoral Roll, 500*l.* Colonial Treasurer's Extra Salary, 60*l.*; Repairs of Government House, Wellington, 300*l.*; House of Assembly—Housekeeper and Messenger, 100*l.*