

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 1856.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; Mr. Speaker and twenty-two members being present; Mr. Speaker read prayers and took the chair.
2. Petition of George Owen Ormsby :—Mr. Carleton presented a petition from Mr. G. O. Ormsby, a pre-emptive land claimant, stating that he had purchased one hundred and seventeen acres from the natives at Onehunga; that on preferring his claim before the Commissioner appointed in that behalf, he was awarded thirty acres out of his claim, and that ultimately he only received a grant from the Crown for five acres, and praying the House to take his claim into consideration.
Petition read and received.
3. Postponement :—Mr. Bell postponed the motion standing in his name, first on the notice paper of this day, until to-morrow.
4. Friendly Societies Bill :—Mr. Travers, pursuant to notice, moved for leave to bring in a Bill for the regulation and management of Friendly Societies in New Zealand.
Leave given; and, on motion of Mr. Travers, the Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and the second reading ordered to stand an order of the day for Friday next.
5. Nelson Defalcation :—Mr. Fox, pursuant to notice, moved, That the papers now on the table of this House relative to a land claim of Captain Salmon's be referred to the Committee on the Nelson defalcation and other matters.
Question put and passed.
6. Postponement :—On motion of the Colonial Treasurer the adjourned debate on the financial policy of the Government was ordered to be postponed from to-morrow until Thursday next.
7. Bribery and Treating Bill No. 2 :—On motion of Mr. Travers the second reading of this Bill was ordered to stand an order of the day for to-morrow, instead of Thursday next.
8. District Courts Bill :—The first order of the day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for further consideration of this Bill.
On Mr. Speaker resuming the chair, the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
9. Adjournment :—On motion of Mr. Macandrew the House adjourned at half past five o'clock until to-morrow at noon.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1856.

1. MR. BELL to ask the hon. member at the head of the Government whether there will be any objection to lay before the House, a copy of the report lately made to his Excellency by the Commission appointed by him at Wellington, to enquire into certain subjects connected with the disposal of land
2. MR. WILLIAMSON to ask the hon. member at the head of the Government whether there will be any objection to lay on the table of the House, a copy of the circular addressed by the Governor to Superintendents of Provinces, requesting them to recommend persons to be placed on the Commission of the Peace, together with copies of lists returned by Superintendents in reply to such circular.

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