

7. Resident Magistrates' Courts Amendment Bill reported—adoption of the report.

MR. CARGILL to move, on the re-committal of the Resident Magistrates' Courts Amendment Bill for leave to introduce a clause enabling Magistrates at discretion to imprison instead of fine in cases of assault.

MR. BECKHAM, on the re-committal of the Resident Magistrates' Courts Amendment Bill, to move the introduction of the following clauses, viz. :—

That all Process from the said Court shall be served by the Bailiff or his assistants when the person upon whom the process is to be served shall reside within a radius of twenty miles from the said Court, and the said Bailiff or his assistants shall be entitled to receive the fees specified in Schedule A to this Act annexed, which fees shall be accounted for to the Clerk of the said Court, who shall pay the same to the Colonial Treasurer of the Colony for the time being or his deputy, for the public uses of the Colony. Provided always, that all such fees shall be prepaid. Provided further, that it shall be lawful for the said Resident Magistrate to refund to the said Bailiff or his assistants, any amount actually expended by him or them in serving such process as aforesaid.

Every person who shall be summoned, and who shall appear as a witness, shall be entitled to an allowance or compensation for expenses and loss of time, according to the scale contained in Schedule B to this Act annexed.

SCHEDULES REFERRED TO.

A

TABLE of Fees to be paid to Bailiff or his Assistants for serving Process.

Serving Summons or Subpœna, if within one mile of the Court House ..	3s.
For every extra mile (one way)	1s.
For executing Warrant beyond one mile from the Court House, per mile (one way)	1s.

B

ALLOWANCE TO WITNESSES.

For every Witness residing within one mile from the Court House
For every extra mile (one way)

8. Friendly Societies' Bill—to be considered in Committee.
9. Religious, Charitable, and Educational Trusts Bill—to be considered in Committee.
10. Revenues Bill—second reading.
11. Magistrates' Indemnity Bill—third reading.
12. Provincial Waste Lands Bill—second reading.
13. New Zealand Debenture Bill—to be re-committed.
14. Bank of Issue Winding-up Bill—second reading.
15. Surplus Revenues Distribution Bill—second reading.
16. Marriage Act Amendment Bill—second reading.
17. Bribery and Treating Bill No. 1—second reading.
18. Bribery and Treating Bill No. 2—second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES.

1. Major GREENWOOD to move the following Resolution, viz., that it is not only desirable, but absolutely necessary for the furtherance of business in this House, that no member should occupy the attention of the members of it, for a longer period than one hour, excepting in the cases of Honorable Members representing the Government, when making Ministerial or Financial Statements.
2. MR. FOX to move for leave to introduce a Bill to remove doubts as to the legality of certain provisions of Acts passed by the Provincial Councils and assented to by the Governor, and to confer on such Councils power to pass acts altering the criminal law of New Zealand, within certain limits to be prescribed thereby, and to indemnify all persons who may have incurred any liability by reason of acting under such acts of doubtful legality.

CHARLES CLIFFORD,
Speaker.