That a proportionate increase ought to be made in the Civil List; but no second Puisne Judge ought to be appointed, till this House shall have resolved that the said appointment is necessary.

That the appointment of Judges should be with her Majesty; but to be exercised on the recommendation of some one of the Judges of the Superior Courts in England, who may be from time to time designated in that behalf by the Colonial Government on behalf of the Colony.

That a respectful address be presented to his Excellency the Governor, praying him to take the necessary steps towards effecting the before named objects.

Question, That the foregoing resolutions be adopted by the House, put and passed.

- 10. Postponement :- On motion of Mr. Fox, leave was given to the Committee on changes in the Constitution Act, to postpone their report until Tuesday next.
- 11. Provincial Laws Pill :- On motion of Mr. Stafford, the report of the committee of the whole

House on this Bill was adopted, and the Bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Stafford moved, That the title of the Bill be, "A Bill to give, for a limited time, the validity of Acts of the General Assembly to laws made by the Superintendents and Provincial Councils of the several Provinces of New Zealand."

Question put and passed; and Mr. Fox and Mr. Stafford were ordered to present the Bill to the Legislative Council.

- 12. Privileges Bill :- On motion of the Colonial Secretary the report of the committee of the whole House on this Bill was adopted, and the third reading of the Bill was ordered to stand an order of the day for to-morrow.
- 13. Savings Banks Ordinance Amendment Bill :- On motion of the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Speaker left the chair, the House resolving itself into a committee of the whole for further considera-

On Mr. Speaker resuming the chair, the Chairman reported the Bill with further amendments, and the adoption of the report was ordered to stand an order of the day for to-morrow.

- 14. Literary and Scientific Institutions Bill :-- On motion of the Colonial Secretary, this Bill was referred to the following select committee to report thereon, viz., Mr. Stafford, Mr. Hall, Mr. Bell, Mr. Williamson, and the mover. The report to be brought up this day week.
- 15. Crown Land Grantees Legal Estate Bill :- Mr. Bell, moved, That this Bill be now committed. The Colonial Secretary moved, That the question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to add at the end thereof the words "this day six months."

Question, That the word proposed to be omitted do stand part of the question, put and

negatived.

Question, That the words proposed to be added, be so added, put and passed.

Whereupon question as amended put and passed.

16. Estimates of Expenditure: -On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Speaker left the chair, the House resolving itself into a committee of the whole for further consideration of the estimates of expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1857.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the chair, the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to

17. Adjournment: -On motion of Mr. Henderson, the House adjourned at a quarter past six o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 1856.

- 1. Mr. Bell to ask the hon, member at the head of the Government whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps for carrying out the recommendation of the Committee on Sir George Grey's Land Regulations, upon the petition of James Gilligan.
- 2. Mr. Stafford to move, That the constituent powers vested in the General Assembly by the Constitution Act, are inconveniently restricted, and that it is desirable to obtain from Parliament the largest possible measure of constituent powers for the said General Assembly. And in particular, that the General Assembly should be empowered to alter the provisions of the said Act, except the provisions contained in the following clauses, viz.—1, 2, 3, 18, 25, 28, 29, 32, 44, 45, 46, 47, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 64, 65, 71, 80, and so much of clause 40 which does not relate to the number of members of the House of Representatives. Also the Schedule of the said Act.