ORDERS OF THE DAY.

- 1. Auckland Hospital and Grammar School Reserves Bill, reported—adoption of the report.
- 2. Waste Lands Bill-consideration of amendments by the Legislative Council.
- 3. Privileges Bill-consideration of amendments by the Legislative Council.
- 4. Lunatics Ordinance Amendment Bill-second reading.
- 5. Native Offenders Bill-to be considered in committee.
- 6. Old Land Claims Final Settlement Bill-to be further considered in committee.
- 7. Revenues Bill-second reading.
- 8. Provincial Postage Bill-to be considered in committee.
- Estimates of Expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1857—to be further considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

- 1. Mr. Williamson to move, in Committee of Supply, the following Resolution, That, with a view to encourage the preparation of New Zealand Flax as an article of export, a respectful address be presented to the Governor, authorising his Excellency to grant a bonus of £ to such person or persons as shall prove to the satisfaction of the Government that they have discovered a means whereby Flax can be prepared in such quantities as will render it an article of general export.
- 2. Mr. Hall to move, on the consideration of the Civil List, That the House, not seeking at present to disturb the existing relations between the Governor and his Responsible Ministers, as to the management of Native affairs, (pending reference to the Home Government) is nevertheless of opinion, that it would greatly conduce to the peace and good government of the Colony, if all departments of Government were placed under the ordinary control of Responsible Ministers, subject to so much of the rule laid down in the second paragraph of the Governor's Memorandum of the 15th April, 1856, establishing the relations between the Governor and his responsible advisers, as declares, "That on matters affecting the Queen's prerogative and Imperial interests generally, the Governor will be happy to receive their advice, but when he differs from them in opinion, he will (if they desire it) submit their views to the consideration of Her Majesty's Secretary of State, adhering to his own until an answer is received."
- 3. The Colonial Treasurer to move, in Committee of Supply on the Estimates, That, on consideration of his Excellency's Message No. 28, the sum of £1500 be granted to his Excellency for general contingencies; such sum to be expended at his Excellency's absolute discretion for Native purposes, subject only to an account of such expenditure being laid before the Houses of Assembly.
- 4. The Colonial Treasurer to move, in Committee of Supply on the Estimates, on consideration of his Excellency's Message, recommending the expenditure on the Native Land Purchase Department, That, having reference to former resolutions of this House, according to which the Land Fund became Provincial Revenue from the 1st instant, the Governor be authorized, during the ensuing year, to provide from time to time out of the temporary loan of £100,000 whatever may be required by him for payment of charges incidental to the purchase of Native lands.

That, during the ensuing year, the Governor be authorized to provide out of such temporary loan, whatever sums may be required for the purchase of Native lands, not exceeding £40,000, including the above mentioned charges of departments; such sums to be expended in accordance with the terms of relation settled between the Governor and his responsible Ministers, and the Financial Resolutions adopted by the House on the 2nd July.

5. The Colonial Treasurer to move, in Committee of Supply, That the Civil List be read.

Also, in Committee of Supply, That the proposed Expenditure for Customs be read.

HUGH CARLETON,

Chairman of Committees.

Acting during the Speaker's temporary absence for the day.