

6. Governor's Salary Bill :—Mr. Stafford, pursuant to notice, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to alter the Civil List, so far as relates to the salary of the Governor.

Leave given; and, on motion of Mr. Stafford, the Bill was read a first time.

Mr. Stafford moved, That the Governor's Salary Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Daldy 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 passed.

Whereupon the original question put and passed, and Bill read accordingly; and, on motion of Mr. Stafford, Mr. Speaker left the chair, the House resolving itself into a committee of the whole for consideration of the Bill.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the chair, the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments; and, on motion of Mr. Stafford, the report of the committee of the whole House 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 alter the Civil List granted to Her Majesty by the Constitution Act, so far as the same relates to the salary of the Governor."

Question put and passed; and Mr. Bell and Mr. Lee were ordered to present the Bill to the Legislative Council.

7. Messages :—The following Messages from his Excellency the Governor received and read :—

- (1.) Library of General Assembly.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE,  
Governor.

*Message No. 38.*

In accordance with the request of the House of Representatives, the Governor transmits to that body the accompanying additional estimate, and recommends the House of Representatives to make provision for the service specified.

Books for Library and Reading Room of the General Assembly.....£100.

Government House,

Auckland, 5th August, 1856.

On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, his Excellency's Message No. 38 was ordered to be considered in committee of supply.

- (2.) Standing Orders.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE,  
Governor.

*Message No. 39.*

The Governor begs to communicate to the House of Representatives his assent to the additional Standing Orders passed by the House during the present session, and enclosed in a letter addressed on the 1st August, 1856, by the honorable the Speaker, to the Governor.

Government House,

Auckland, 5th August, 1856.

- (3.) Fortification of Mechanics' Bay, Auckland.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE,  
Governor.

*Message No. 40.*

On the recommendation of his responsible advisers, the Governor transmits the following additional estimate to the House of Representatives.

Fencing, Earthwork, commanding Mechanics' Bay.....£17 8 8.

Government House,

Auckland, 5th August, 1856.

On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, his Excellency's Message No. 40 was ordered to be considered in committee of supply.

8. Governor's Deputy Bill :—Mr. Stafford, pursuant to notice, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Governor of New Zealand to appoint a deputy on certain occasions.

Leave given; and, on motion of Mr. Stafford, the Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and the second reading ordered to stand an order of the day for to-morrow.

9. Postponement :—The Colonial Treasurer postponed the motion standing in his name, third on the notice paper of this day.

10. Petition of Mr. Piercy :—On motion of Mr. Brodie, Mr. Speaker left the chair, and the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole for further consideration of the question standing fifth on the notice paper of this day.

On Mr. Speaker resuming the chair, the Chairman reported that the committee recommend the following resolution for adoption by the House :—

"That a respectful address be presented to his Excellency the Governor, requesting him to place upon the supplementary estimates the sum of forty-three pounds fifteen shillings, in accordance with the resolution of the committee on Mr. Piercy's petition."

Question, That the resolution as recommended by the committee be adopted by the House, put and passed.