

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1856.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; Mr. Speaker and twenty members being present; Mr. Speaker read prayers and took the chair.

2. General Assembly, meeting of:—Mr. Speaker having ruled that the motion standing in Mr. Stafford's name, first on the notice paper of this day, was not in order, as the House had already come to a resolution on the same subject; Mr. Stafford, by leave of the House, amended his motion as follows:—That a select committee be appointed to enquire into and report as to the most practicable manner of carrying out the resolution of this House as to the meeting of the next session of the Assembly, and the question of the position of the seat of Government; with power to conduct its proceedings in conjunction with any committee of the Legislative Council, appointed for a similar purpose, and to make either a joint or separate report. The Committee to consist of Mr. Henderson, Mr. Williamson, the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Fox, Mr. Hall, and the mover; the report to be brought up this day week.

Mr. Fox moved, That the question be amended by the omission of the words "and the question of the position of the seat of Government."

Debate ensued.

Amendment by leave withdrawn.

Debate continued.

Mr. Fox moved, That the question be amended by the addition of the following members to serve on the Committee, viz., Mr. Speaker, Mr. Brown, Mr. Curtis, and the Colonial Treasurer.

Question put, That the names proposed to be added, be so added.

The House divided.

Ayes, 3.

Mr. Fox,
Mr. Brown,
Mr. Ward (teller).

Noes, 16.

Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Domett,
Mr. Cuff,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Merriman,
Mr. Williamson,
Mr. Stafford,
Mr. Taylor,
Mr. Curtis,
Mr. Brodie,
Mr. Carleton,
The Colonial Secretary,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Henderson,
Mr. Daldy,
Mr. Beckham (teller).

Mr. Stafford moved, That the question be amended by the omission of the words "the Colonial Secretary," with a view to insert the words "the Colonial Treasurer" in lieu thereof. Question, That the words proposed to be omitted do stand part of the question, put and passed.

Debate continued.

Mr. Fox moved, That the House be counted.

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