

(2.) Assent to Bills.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE,
Governor.

Message No. 48.

The Governor begs to inform the House of Representatives that, on behalf of her Majesty, he has assented to the following Acts passed during the present session :—

The Pensions Act, 1856.
The Naturalization Act, 1856.
The Law Amendment Act, 1856.
The Bank Paper Currency Act, 1856.
The Nelson Trust Funds Amendment Act, 1856.
The English Acts Act, 1856.
The Nelson Wesleyan Chapel Sale Act, 1856.
The Bills of Sale Registration Act, 1856.
The Building Societies Amendment Act, 1856.
The Magistrates Indemnity Act, 1856.
The Marriage Act Amendment Act, 1856.
The New Zealand Colonial Bank of Issue Winding-up Act, 1856.
The New Zealand Debenture Act, 1856.
The Religious, Charitable, and Educational Trusts Act, 1856.
The Savings Banks Ordinance Amendment Act, 1856.
The Superintendents Deputy Act, 1856.
The New Zealand Native Reserves Act, 1856.
The Resident Magistrates Courts Ordinance Amendment Act, 1856.
The Counties Act, 1856.
The New Zealand Loan Act, 1856.
The Supreme Court Procedure Act, 1856.
The Public Offices Act, 1856.
The Customs Duties Act, 1856.
The Privileges Act, 1856.
The Auckland Hospital and Grammar Schools Reserves Act, 1856.

Government House,
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4. A Message from the Legislative Council having been duly announced, Mr. Speaker was presented with the Provincial Councils Criminal Law Bill as amended in the Council
Also, the Land Claims Settlement Bill as amended in the Council.
Also, a Scotch Law Practitioners Bill as passed by the Council.

Provincial Councils Criminal Law Bill :—Mr. Hall moved, That a conference be requested with the Legislative Council on the amendments made by the Council in the Provincial Councils Criminal Law Bill, and that Mr. Ward and the mover be appointed managers on behalf of this House.

Question put and passed.

6. A Message from the Legislative Council having been duly announced, Mr. Speaker was informed that the Council had adopted the amendments in the Provincial Laws Bill as agreed to in committee of conference.
7. Provincial Laws Bill :—On motion of Mr. Ward, the amendments in this Bill as agreed to in committee of conference, were read and adopted by the House, and Mr. Ward and Mr. Hall were ordered to signify the same to the Legislative Council.
8. A Message from the Legislative Council having been duly announced, Mr. Speaker was informed that the Council had adopted the amendments in the Provincial Councils Powers Bill as agreed to in committee of conference.
9. Provincial Councils Powers Bill :—On motion of Mr. Hall, Mr. D. Bell and the mover were ordered to signify to the Legislative Council that the House adopted the amendments in this Bill as agreed to in committee of conference.
10. Resignation :—Mr. Speaker read a letter addressed to him by Mr. Charles Brown, member for the Grey and Bell Districts, resigning his seat in the House.
The Colonial Treasurer moved, That a respectful address be presented to his Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a writ to be issued for the election of a member to serve in this House for the Grey and Bell Districts, in the room of Charles Brown, Esquire, resigned.
Question put and passed.
11. Appropriation Bill :—On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Speaker left the chair, and the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.
On Mr. Speaker resuming the chair, the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.
On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the report of the committee on the Appropriation Bill was adopted, and the Bill was then read a third time and passed.
The Colonial Treasurer moved, That the title of the Bill be, "A Bill to provide for the appropriation of the public Revenues of New Zealand."

Question