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REPORTING DEBATES COMMITTEE
(FURTHER REPORT OF THE).

THE Committee have the honor to report that they have compared the proofs of the debate on the Hawke's Bay Land Transactions with *Hansard*, and they beg to submit to the House a copy of certain passages in the speeches of honorable members as printed in the original proofs, set forth in parallel columns with the same passages as reported in *Hansard*, showing the alterations made by honorable members.

16th October, 1877.

JOHN BALLANCE,
Chairman.

EXTRACTS FROM THE SPEECHES OF HONORABLE MEMBERS IN THE DEBATE ON THE HAWKE'S BAY LAND TRANSACTIONS.

PROOF COPY.*	HANSARD.†
Mr. SHEEHAN.— * * * When I tell the House that he has but 17,000 acres at * * * This was how it came about that they had to pay more. There was £3,000 or £4,000 to be paid. * * * Whether or not that gentleman had done rightly or wrongly, I would say that, even so far as his actions bore the aspect of being wrong, it was because he followed too faithfully the counsels of the present Minister for Public Works. * * * Captain RUSSELL.— * * * The honorable gentleman may be right; I will not dispute it * * * Sir GEORGE GREY.— * * * But the first moment I entered this House, the honorable member for Clive, with a malice which I can well understand, directed his attacks at me. * * * I held, also, that if a man wanted his child to help him at his work, we should not deduct from that man's weekly earnings the sum which he would have to pay if his child really attended these schools. I held that by imposing these conditions you forced a man to lay by a large portion of his income for the purpose of educating his children, when they were not really being educated. * * *	Mr. SHEEHAN.— * * * When I tell the House that he has <i>had</i> but <i>from</i> 15,000 to 17,000 acres at * * * This was how it came about that they had to pay more. There was <i>the bribe of</i> £3,000 or £4,000 to be paid. * * * Whether or not that gentleman had done rightly or wrongly, I would say that, even so far as his actions bore the aspect of being wrong, it was because he followed too faithfully the <i>selfish and unprincipled</i> counsels of the present Minister for Public Works. * * * Captain RUSSELL.— * * * The honorable gentleman may be right; I will not dispute it, <i>though I do not think so.</i> * * * Sir GEORGE GREY.— * * * But the first moment I entered this House, the honorable member for Clive, with a malice which I <i>cannot</i> well understand, directed his attacks at me. * * * I held, also, that if a man wanted his child to work, we should not deduct from that man's weekly <i>income</i> the sum which <i>his children would have earned by labour, and then still further reduce his income by forcing him to pay for the education of his children, whilst you gave a free education to the children of his neighbour, in schools better warmed, ventilated, furnished, and supplied with books and instruments—all at the public expense—than the schools could be which were supported by individuals themselves.</i> * * *

* Words struck out in proof shown by erased type.

† Words inserted and added shown by italics.