

On the motion of Captain Morris, *Resolved*, That Mr. Ivess, Major Harris, and Major Campbell be summoned to attend at the next meeting, to give evidence before the Committee.
The Committee adjourned until Tuesday, the 18th July, at 10.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, 18TH JULY, 1882.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Conolly, Hon. Mr. Dick, Mr. FitzGerald, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Sheehan (Chairman), Mr. Shrimski, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Weston, Mr. Wynn-Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Major Campbell was called, and produced the Judges' reports of the Stanmore, Wakanui, Franklin North, Wanganui, Wallace, and Lyttelton election petitions. He was then examined, and his evidence taken down.

Mr. J. C. Wason's petition was read.

Mr. Bloxam, Registrar of the Supreme Court, Christchurch, was then examined, his evidence being taken down. He was desired to telegraph immediately for the bills of costs of the Lyttelton and Gladstone election petitions. Mr. Ivess was also examined, and his evidence taken down.

Resolved, That the evidence as taken be printed day by day.

The Committee adjourned until Wednesday, the 19th July, at 11 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH JULY, 1882.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. FitzGerald, Captain Morris, Mr. Sheehan (Chairman), Mr. Shrimski, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Wynn-Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Resolved, That the evidence of Mr. Bloxam and Mr. Ivess, when printed, be forwarded to Messrs. Harper and Co. and Mr. Wason, for their information.

Major Harris was then called, and gave evidence on the Franklin North election petition, which was taken down.

Resolved, That Mr. Daniel be summoned to attend at the next meeting, to give evidence before the Committee.

The Committee then adjourned until Thursday, the 20th July, at 12 noon.

THURSDAY, 20TH JULY, 1882.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Hon. Mr. Dick, Mr. FitzGerald, Mr. Macandrew, Captain Morris, Mr. Sheehan (Chairman), Mr. Shrimski, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Wynn-Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Bloxam was called, and produced the respondent's bills of costs of the Lyttelton and Gladstone election petitions. He was also re-examined, his evidence being taken down.

On the motion of Mr. Macandrew, seconded by Mr. Shrimski, *Resolved*, That Mr. Buckland be informed that the Committee do not think it necessary for him to be summoned at the expense of the colony under the circumstances, but will be very happy to receive any evidence he may be pleased to offer.

The Committee then adjourned until Friday, the 21st July, at 12 noon.

FRIDAY, 21ST JULY, 1882.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Sheehan (Chairman), Mr. Shrimski.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Resolved, That Captain Morris be requested to attend at the next meeting, to give evidence before the Committee.

On the motion of Mr. Macandrew, seconded by Mr. Shrimski, *Resolved*, That the meeting of the Committee be adjourned until Monday, the 24th July, at 10.30 a.m.

MONDAY, 24TH JULY, 1882.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Conolly, Mr. FitzGerald, Mr. Macandrew, Captain Morris, Mr. Sheehan (Chairman), Mr. Shrimski, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Wynn-Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Major Harris was again examined on the Franklin North election petition, his evidence being taken down.

Mr. Sutter was then called, and gave evidence on the Gladstone election petition, which was taken down.

Mr. Daniel was also called, and gave evidence on the Wallace election petition, which was taken down.

Captain Morris's evidence was then taken on an election petition of which he was the petitioner in the year 1876, before the present Act was passed, such evidence being taken down.

Resolved, That, as the evidence of Mr. Bloxam had not yet been received from the printer, an extract of that portion of it containing an allegation concerning the payment of Mr. Wason's costs re Wakanui election petition should be forwarded to Messrs. Harper and Co., Christchurch, and to Mr. Wason, Corwar, South Rakaia, by this afternoon's mail.

The Committee then adjourned until Tuesday, the 25th July, at 10.30 a.m.