

Resolved, That the debate on paragraph 15 of Major Atkinson's resolution be adjourned until the next meeting.

Resolved, That the resolutions of Major Atkinson as amended, and the resolutions of Mr. Macandrew and Sir J. Hall, be printed.

Resolved, That the Committee adjourn until 10 30 a.m. of Monday, the 4th September. The Committee then adjourned.

MONDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1882.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Hon. Major Atkinson, Mr. J. E. Brown, Mr. Conolly (Chairman), Mr. Hursthouse, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Shephard, Mr. Sutton.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Order of reference, giving leave to the Committee to postpone making their report until Tuesday, the 5th instant, was read.

Paragraph No. 15 of Hon. Major Atkinson's resolution was then again discussed.

Question put, "That paragraph No. 15, now altered to No. 17, form part of the report," upon which the Committee divided as under:—

Ayes, 4.—Hon. Major Atkinson, Mr. Hursthouse, Mr. Shephard, Mr. Sutton.

Noes, 4.—Mr. J. E. Brown, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Seddon.

Votes being equal, the Chairman gave his casting vote with the *Ayes*. Paragraph to form part of the report therefore carried.

Moved by Mr. Sutton, That the Committee adjourn until to-morrow, with a view to reconsidering the matter of paragraphs 15 and 16 as printed.—Negatived.

Question put, "That the resolutions as amended be the report of the Committee," upon which the Committee divided as under:—

Ayes, 5.—Hon. Major Atkinson, Mr. J. E. Brown, Mr. Macandrew, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Seddon.

Noes, 3.—Mr. Hursthouse, Mr. Shephard, Mr. Sutton.

Question carried.

Resolved, That the minutes of proceedings and the returns before the Committee be appended to the report.

The Committee then adjourned at 11 A.M. *sine die*.

APPENDIX.

STATEMENT and RETURNS prepared for the information and by request of the Select Committee on Special Taxing for Public Works.

A.—STATEMENT SHOWING THE APPORTIONMENT BETWEEN THE SEVERAL PROVINCIAL DISTRICTS OF THE AMOUNT EXPENDED OUT OF LOAN FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS POLICY TO THE 31ST MARCH, 1882.

B.—INTEREST RETURNED IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSES OF EXPENDITURE OUT OF LOAN:—

RAILWAYS.

WATER SUPPLY ON GOLD FIELDS.

TELEGRAPH EXTENSION.

LIGHTHOUSES.

C.—RETURN SHOWING THE CUSTOMS DUTIES COLLECTED IN EACH PROVINCIAL DISTRICT DURING EACH YEAR FROM 1ST JULY, 1870, TO 31ST MARCH, 1882.

D.—RETURN SHOWING THE POPULATION OF THE COLONY IN THE YEARS 1871, 1874, 1878, AND 1881, AS ASCERTAINED BY THE CENSUS TAKEN FOR EACH OF THOSE YEARS.

E.—MEMORANDUM FROM THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL TO THE HON. MAJOR ATKINSON, SHOWING THE MILEAGE OF COLONIAL AND COUNTY ROADS IN THE NORTH AND MIDDLE ISLANDS.

JAMES C. GAVIN,
Secretary to the Treasury.

Treasury, Wellington,
24th August, 1882.