

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY, 1908.

House of Representatives.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 11 a.m.

Present: Mr. Baume, Mr. W. Fraser, Hon. Mr. Guinness, Mr. Izard, Mr. R. McKenzie, Hon. Sir W. J. Steward, Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward.

The order of reference setting up the Committee was read by the Clerk.

On the motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, the Hon. Sir W. J. Steward was elected Chairman.

The Hon. Sir W. J. Steward then took the chair.

Resolved, That the Committee do meet the Committee of the Legislative Council.

The Committee then adjourned.

Legislative Council.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 11 a.m.

Present: Hon. Mr. Bowen, Hon. Dr. Findlay, Hon. Mr. Gilmer, Hon. Mr. Paul, Hon. Mr. Sinclair, Hon. Mr. Thompson.

The order of reference was read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Hon. Dr. Findlay, the Hon. Mr. Bowen was elected Chairman.

The Hon. Mr. Bowen then took the chair.

Resolved, That this Committee do now adjourn in order to meet the Committee of the House of Representatives.

Joint Committee.

The Committee met at 11.15 a.m.

Present: Hon. Mr. Bowen, Hon. Dr. Findlay, Hon. Mr. Gilmer, Hon. Mr. Paul, Hon. Mr. Sinclair, Hon. Mr. Thompson, Mr. Baume, Mr. W. Fraser, Hon. Mr. Guinness, Mr. Izard, Mr. R. McKenzie, Hon. Sir W. J. Steward, Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward.

On the motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, the Hon. Sir W. J. Steward was elected Chairman.

The Hon. Sir W. J. Steward then took the chair.

On motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, it was resolved, That the Government Architect be directed to attend the next meeting of this Committee, and to produce any sketch-plans in his possession for the new Parliament Buildings and for the utilisation of the old Parliament Buildings site for public buildings, and of the present Government Buildings site for leasing purposes; and also any sketch-plans and estimate for a new Government House; and that the Chief Judge of the Native Land Court (Mr. Jackson Palmer), the Under-Secretary for Public Works, the Valuer-General, and the Chief Officer of the Deeds Department be asked to hold themselves in readiness to attend before this Committee when required.

The Committee then adjourned until 11 a.m., Tuesday, 4th August.

TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1908.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 11 a.m.

Present: Hon. Sir W. J. Steward (Chairman), Hon. Mr. Carncross, Hon. Dr. Findlay, Hon. Mr. Paul, Hon. Mr. Sinclair, Hon. Mr. Thompson, Mr. Barclay, Mr. W. Fraser, Hon. Mr. Hall-Jones, Mr. Izard, Mr. Massey, Mr. R. McKenzie, Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Campbell, the Government Architect, attended, and produced plans, and gave evidence before the Committee.

Resolved, on the motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, That the plans produced by the Government Architect be lithographed for the information of members.

The Committee then adjourned *sine die*.