

That the Postmaster shall under such circumstances be instructed to furnish to the Provincial Government, from time to time, full accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure of the of the Postal Department.

Mr. Fitzgerald gave notice that, on Monday evening next, on going into Committee on the Revenues Bill, he would move the following amendments:—

That in the first clause all the words between “Supreme Court” in the third line to the word “shall” in the ninth line shall be omitted.

That the following words be added to the first clause:—

“And all other Revenues arising or which shall arise from taxes, duties, rates, imposts, fines, fees, penalties, forfeitures, and other sums of money now or which shall hereafter become payable to Her Majesty within any Province of the said Colony except as shall be otherwise expressly provided by any Act of the General Assembly, shall be deemed and taken to be Revenue of such Province, liable to be appropriated by the Superintendent and Provincial Council thereof.”

That the second clause be expunged.

That the following words be inserted as the second clause of the Bill.

“Separate accounts shall be kept of the Revenues arising from the Waste Lands of the Crown within each Province and from and out of such Revenue, the costs, charges, expenses, and other payments imposed thereon and directed to be made by the said recited Act, so far as the same shall accrue with respect to any Lands within such Province shall be first paid and discharged, and the net balance of such Revenue within each Province shall be paid over to the Treasurer of such Province for the public uses thereof, and shall be liable to be appropriated by the Provincial Council thereof.”

Dr. Monro gave notice that, at the next sitting of the House, he would move that His Excellency’s Message No. 14 be referred to a Select Committee to consist of Messrs. E. G. Wakefield, Gray, Greenwood, Ludlam, Weld, Crompton, Cutten, and the Mover.

Mr. Sewell gave notice that, on Monday next, he would move the following Resolution:—

That in the opinion of this House the Lands reserved, throughout the Colony, for the benefit of the Native Inhabitants, ought to be placed under a proper system of regulation by law, and shall the proceeds of such lands, ought to be made available for the benefit of such Native Inhabitants.

On motion of Mr. Sewell the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, for consideration of the Powers of Attorney Bill.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair, the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Sewell the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, for consideration of the Dower Bill.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair, the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Mr. Sewell moved, seconded by Mr. Merriman, the suspension of the Standing Orders, relating to the passing of Bills through more than one stage at one sitting of the House.

Agreed to,

On motion of Mr. Sewell the Dower Bill was then read a third time and *passed*.

Title of the Bill read and agreed to.

Mr. Sewell and Mr. Kelham were deputed to present the Bill to the Legislative Council,

On motion of Mr. Sewell the Powers of Attorney Bill ordered to be printed, as amended by the Select Committee to which it had been referred.

On motion of Mr. E. Jerningham Wakefield a return received from Wellington, showing the number of Criminals sentenced by the Supreme Court of New Zealand, for the Southern Districts, from the 5th of June, 1852, to the 5th of June 1854, ordered to be printed with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Secondary Punishments.

On motion of Mr. Sewell the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for further consideration of the Estimates.

On the Speaker resuming the Chair, the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again on Monday next.

House then adjourned at half-past 4 o’clock until 6 o’clock this evening.